

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING
NOVEMBER 5, 2007**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Eadie Burke
James Boyer
Nickole Collins
Ray Conville (absent)
Bill Delaney
Joan Handy
Richard Hendricks
Harry McGonigal
Randy Walck
J. Robert Hunsicker
Daniel Olpere
Joe Gura
Kate Harper
News Herald
Morning Call
Daily Intelligencer
Bucks County Herald

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Police Chief:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

Borough Council Vice-President Jim Boyer convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mrs. Handy gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the public requested an opportunity to speak.

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

Councilman Rich Hendricks reported that the Lippincott/Jacoby preliminary plans were reviewed and discussed at the October 24 meeting of the Perkasie Planning Commission.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Utility Superintendent's Report for October 2007.

Other Business

There was no other business to come before the Committee.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's Report for October 2007.

Request from Penridge Little League

The Committee reviewed a letter and cost estimate from the Penridge Little League requesting assistance from the Borough to provide labor and materials for the newly proposed expansion of the

paved area. Councilman McGonigal asked if some of the work could be done using Borough work forces. The matter was tabled pending receipt of a new cost estimate using Borough staff.

Bucks County Solid Waste Plan

The Committee reviewed an ordinance implementing the Bucks County Municipal Waste Management Plan revision in order to comply with changes to the municipal waste planning regulations adopted by the Commonwealth of PA. The ordinance will be placed on the November 19 Council agenda for approval.

Bucks County Redevelopment Authority

Councilman Boyer had questions regarding the release of escrow funds for the Bucks County Redevelopment Authority and First Savings Bank of Perkasio. Manager Olpere stated he was meeting with Attorney Michael Kracht, who represents First Savings Bank, and would discuss the matter with him and update Council at the November 19 meeting.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for October 2007.

Schiaffino Building Permit

The Committee discussed a recent code violation by Joseph Schiaffino at 205 Wyckford Drive. Mr. Schiaffino did not obtain a building and zoning permit for the work done at his property. The Committee agreed that failure to obtain the proper zoning and building related permits for this residential addition will result in citations being issued for violations of the Borough's zoning and various building codes.

Creation of Area EMS Squad

The Committee reviewed a resolution appointing Eadie Burke as the official representative of Perkasio Borough to the newly proposed Board of Directors for the regional ambulance service. The resolution further agrees to pledge \$1.00 per resident of the Borough as annual operating costs for the ambulance service budget. The Committee agreed to put the resolution on the November 19 Council meeting agenda.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Revision to EMS Tax Ordinance-Local Service Tax

The Committee reviewed a new Local Service Tax Ordinance to replace the Emergency Municipal Service Tax ordinance to conform to the latest state requirements under state Act 7 of 2007. The Committee agreed to place the ordinance on the November 19 Council meeting agenda.

PMRS Excess Interest Distribution

The Committee discussed how to disburse the award of excess interest for the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System for the Borough's two plans (police and non-uniform) for 2007. The Committee agreed to recommend to allocate the excess interest for each plan to the Retired Members Reserve Account in an equal percentage to each retiree.

Reappointment of Auditor by Resolution

The Committee reviewed a resolution reappointing Styer Associates as the independent auditor for

Perkasie to perform the fiscal year 2007 financial audit. The Committee agreed to place the resolution on the November 19 Council meeting agenda.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Other Business

Councilman McGonigal stated the relocated and redesigned skatepark was getting a lot of use since it was reopened.

CABLE/BROADBAND COMMITTEE HEALTH CARE AD HOC COMMITTEE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before these Committees.

PRESS FORUM

Questions from the press were received and answered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jim Boyer announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss personnel and would not reopen the meeting thereafter.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary