

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
APRIL 21, 2008

620 West Chestnut Street  
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Marty Gahman  
Eadie Burke  
Ray Conville  
Bill Delaney  
Richard Hendricks  
Harry McGonigal  
Chris Nicolosi  
Jim Purcell  
Maria Slowik

Mayor:

J. Robert Hunsicker

Borough Manager:

Daniel P. Olpere

Police Chief:

Joe Gura

Borough Solicitor:

Ann Weiss

Press Representatives:

News Herald  
Daily Intelligencer  
Morning Call  
Bucks County Herald

Perkasie Borough Council President Marty Gahman convened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Mr. Hendricks gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive was present and thanked Council for moving ahead on hiring an electric consultant to negotiate a new electric contract for the Borough.

**PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

None at this time.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously approved the Public Hearing minutes of March 17, 2008.

Upon motion Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of March 17, 2008.

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously approved the Council Committees meeting minutes of April 7, 2008.

**CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS**

### Mayor's Report

No report at this time.

### Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for March 2008.

### Budget Status

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for March 2008.

### Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report.

### Planning Commission Report

No update at this time.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

#### Request for Fire Police Assistance-Trumbauersville Borough

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously authorized the Perkasio Fire Police to provide fire police assistance for traffic/crowd control for the celebration of Trumbauersville Borough's celebration of its 100 year anniversary on June 7, 2008.

#### Award Concrete Bid

Upon motion by Conville, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously awarded the 2008 bid for concrete work including curb, sidewalk and handicap ramps to Kramer Brothers of Quakertown.

#### Financing Approval for Truck

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved a three year leasing contract with Court Square Leasing of Dublin, PA for a 2008 Ford F350 Dump Truck and plow package for a total cost of \$18,342.69 per year.

#### Second Street Pool

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Purcell, Council considered authorizing the Perkasio Lions Club to repair the Second Street pool at an estimated cost of between \$3,000 and

\$5,000. It was further agreed that the Borough would provide the materials costs. All Councilmembers present voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Burke and McGonigal who voted against it. The motion passed 7-2.

#### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

##### Resolution #2008-14, Electric Consulting Services

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council considered Resolution #2008-14, authorizing the Quad 3 Group to prepare a request for proposal for a new wholesale power contract for the Borough. All Councilmembers present voted in favor of the resolution with the exception of Burke, Delaney, and McGonigal who voted against it. The resolution was approved by a 6-3 vote.

##### Resolution #2008-15, Authorization to Bid to Sell Christmas Decorations

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council considered authorizing the Borough Manager to place an advertisement to bid to sell used Christmas decorations on the website MUNICIBID to the highest bidder or discard them if no bids are received. The cost to join MUNICIBID is \$200 a year. All Councilmembers present voted in favor of the resolution with the exception of McGonigal who voted against it. The resolution was approved by an 8-1 vote.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

##### Resolution #2008-13, Final Approval of Zavitsanos Subdivision

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2008-13 granting final approval to the Zavitsanos subdivision at Ridge Road and Park Avenue.

#### PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

##### Resolution #2008-12, Revise Fee Schedule RE: Ball Field Changes

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2008-12 amending the consolidated fee schedule for the utilization of baseball fields in the Borough Parks.

#### PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

##### Accept Resignation from Dale Peters from Perkasio Planning Commission

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Dale Peters, with regret, from the Perkasio Borough Planning Commission after 20 years of service.

##### Approve Hiring of Billing Clerk

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously approved the hiring of Jason Heft at Utility Billing Clerk at an annual salary of \$32,000 per year conditioned upon a satisfactory criminal and consumer background check.

#### Approve Hiring of Assistant Manager

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Conville, Council considered hiring Andrea Coaxum as the Assistant Borough Manager at an annual salary of \$55,000 conditioned upon a successful criminal and consumer background check. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Nicolosi, Conville, Hendricks, Gahman, Slowik and Purcell voted in favor of the motion. Councilmembers Burke, McGonigal and Delaney voted against it. The motion passed by a 6-3 vote.

#### Revise Employee Work Rules-Sexual Harassment and Sexual Misconduct Policy

Upon motion by Hendricks, seconded by Slowik, Council unanimously agreed to amend the Perkasio Borough employee work rules reinstating the previous sexual harassment policy adopted in 2005 and adding a clarification in the first paragraph as recommended by the Borough insurance carrier.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

##### Contribution to Pennridge Community Day

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously approved a \$500 budgeted contribution to the Pennridge Community Day to help the organization's operating budget.

##### Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously accepted payment of the bills as presented.

#### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

##### General Code Link to Website

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously approved entering into an agreement with General Code Publishers to arrange for the placing of a link on the Borough's website for patrons to access the Borough Code of Ordinances on-line.

#### OTHER NEW BUSINESS

There was no other business.

#### **PUBLIC FORUM**

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive stated he went to a Perkasio Borough Authority meeting recently and that board talked about allowing other townships to join the PBA.

**PRESS FORUM**

Questions from the press were received and answered.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mr. Gahman announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss personnel and litigation and would not reopen the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45PM.

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Daniel P. Olpere  
Borough Manager/Secretary