

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING  
PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL  
JUNE 16, 2008

620 West Chestnut Street  
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:	Marty Gahman (absent)
	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
Assistant Borough Manager:	Andrea Coaxum
Public Works Director:	Dan Gilbert
Borough Solicitor:	Ann Weiss
Press Representatives:	News Herald
	Morning Call
	Bucks County Herald

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

**PUBLIC FORUM**

Present was Ann Comiskey of 508 Grandview Avenue who stated she recently had two snapping turtles come onto her property from the pond in the Meadowood development adjacent to her residence. She also stated she had a problem with ground hogs. She asked for Council's help in removing this wildlife from her property.

**PRESENTATION BY BUCKS COUNTY RE: WALNUT STREET BRIDGE**

Bucks County Director of Public Works Joe Bush and structural engineer Paul Cardie of Carroll engineering was present to outline the Walnut Street bridge replacement project, scheduled for 2010, and answer questions from Councilmembers.

**PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

President Gahman was absent.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of May 19, 2008.

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously approved the Council Committee meeting minutes of June 2, 2008.

## **CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS**

### Mayor's Report

The Mayor asked the Perkasio Police Department to start enforcing the two hour parking limit on Market Street.

### Taxes Collected

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

### Budget Status

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for May 2008.

### Engineer's Report

The engineers report was reviewed and accepted.

### Planning Commission Report

There was no meeting of the Perkasio Planning Commission since the last Council meeting.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

#### Award Bid #2008-4, Roadway Reconstruction

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously awarded the bid #2008-4, for roadway reconstruction to Gore Con Inc. in the amount of \$134,058.19. The bid would include escalation costs.

#### Resolution #2008-25, Main and Callowhill Street Intersection Traffic Signal

Councilmembers discussed installing a flashing warning device at the intersection of Main and Callowhill Streets.

Manager Olpere reported that East Rockhill Township was not in favor of a flashing light where a 4-way stop was recently placed. They were in favor of either a traffic round-about or a traffic signal.

Present were Robert & Vicki Sellers who live at 505 E. Callowhill Road (corner of Callowhill and Branch Road). The Sellers' were gratified that the 4-way stop signs were placed at this intersection. However, they stated they would not support using their property for a round about.

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Hendricks, Council unanimously agreed to table the matter pending receipt of a cost estimate for a traffic signal and additional information.

#### Resolution #2008-26, Ridge Road and Market Streets Intersection Traffic Signal

Councilmembers discussed placing a flashing warning device at the intersection of Ridge Road and Market Streets. Councilmembers questioned whether a traffic device is currently warranted. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Burke, Council unanimously agreed to table the matter pending receipt of additional information.

#### Authorize Fire Police Assistance-Trumbauersville Borough Carnival

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved the Perkasio Fire Police to assist Trumbauersville Borough with traffic/crowd control for their annual carnival July 24, 25, 26 and 31 and August 1, and 2.

#### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

#### Resolution #2008-29, Consider Joining PMPA

Councilmembers considered a resolution to join the Pennsylvania Municipal Power Agency (PMPA) to help the Borough negotiate a power supply agreement. Manager Olpere stated he needed more time to meet with other municipalities to obtain additional information. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, the matter was tabled.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

#### Resolution #2008-27, Rosanelli Subdivision Approval

Upon motion by Conville, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2008-27, granting final approval to the Rosanelli subdivision plan on Summit Avenue.

#### Resolution #2008-28, Algeo Subdivision Approval

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Conville, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2008-28, granting preliminary/final approval to the Algeo subdivision plan on North Ridge Road.

## CVS Public Improvements

Manager Olpere referred to his memo regarding the latest status of the CVS plans and the issue of widening Blooming Glen Road to accommodate a left-turn lane.

## PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

### Pennridge Community Day Special Event Coverage

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the purchase of a special events policy in an amount not to exceed \$750 for Pennridge Community Day held in Lenape Park on July 6, 2008.

## PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

### Hire Electric Lineman

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously authorized the Borough Manager to hire an electric lineman to replace Matt Lynch, who will be retiring next year in order to train this person so they can immediately takeover once he retires.

### Hire Park and Recreation Director

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Conville, Council considered hiring Joshua Aniskevich as Park and Recreation Director at a salary of \$41,000 per year and contingent upon a successful credit and criminal background check. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of McGonigal who voted against. Motion carried 7-1.

### Accept Resignation of Pete Cusate from Zoning Hearing Board

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Pete Cusate, with regret, from the Perkasio Zoning Hearing Board.

### Consider Appointments to Zoning Hearing Board

Upon motion by Conville, seconded by Slowik, Council considered appointing Bill Davis, who currently serves as alternate on the Zoning Hearing Board, to a permanent position on the board through 2009. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of McGonigal who voted against it. Motion carried 7-1.

Upon motion by Conville, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously appointed Andrew Rumbold as an alternate to the Zoning Hearing Board through 2010.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### Authorization to Pay Bills

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

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before this committee.

## OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Manager Olpere gave Council an update on the latest schedule for receiving and approving bids for electric purchases.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

Present was Chad Davis of 146 N 7<sup>th</sup> Street asked Council to consider letting people get used to the 4-way stop sign at Main and Callowhill Street before taking additional action.

Present was Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive who stated rules are not enforced anymore and people should obey them.

## **PRESS FORUM**

Questions from the press were received and answered.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:37PM.

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Daniel P. Olpere  
Borough Manager/Secretary