

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING
MAY 3, 2010**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Martin Gahman
Matt Aigeldinger
Stephen Algeo
Florence Frei
Richard Hendricks
Barbara Krantz
Chris Nicolosi
Jim Purcell
Maria Slowik
Joe Gilbert
John Hollenbach
Daniel P. Olpere
Andrea Coaxum
Shannon Drosnock
Joe Gura
Dan Gilbert
Harold Stone
Josh Aniskevich
Ann Weiss
News Herald

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Assistant Manager:

Finance Director:

Police Chief:

Director of Public Works:

Electric Superintendent:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

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

PUBLIC FORUM

No one in the audience requested an opportunity to speak.

PRESENTATION POTA-“SATURDAYS IN PERKASIE”

Joe Ferry, President of Perkasie Olde Towne Association (POTA) was present to seek approval for POTA’s newest event “Saturdays in Perkasie”. This event will be held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 8:00AM to 12:00 PM beginning May 22, 2010 running through October. Mr. Ferry stated in order to attract people there would be live performers like bands, the reappearance of the Perkasie farmers market, and contests with prizes.

Upon motion by Gahman, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously agreed to allow POTA to begin "Saturdays in Perkasio" on May 22, 2010.

It was further noted that the property owners are allowing the POTA to use this privately owned vacant lot at 7th and Chestnut Streets for these events.

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

No meeting to report on.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's Report for April 2010.

Yard Waste Bid #2010-2

The Committee reviewed a memo in the packet from Assistant Manager Andrea Coaxum summarizing the yard waste bid results. After carefully reviewing the bid tabulations, it was the recommendation of the Public Works Committee to accept the low bidder, J.P. Mascaro on Option 1 of bid 2010-2. The award of this bid will be put on the May 27 Council meeting agenda.

Small Trash Bags Bid #2010-1

The Committee reviewed the results of the bid for small trash bags. The Committee agreed to accept the lowest bid from Fordian Packaging. This matter will be placed on the May 17 Council meeting agenda.

Special Bag Price-Amend Fee Schedule

Committee members reviewed a memo from the Borough Manager regarding trash bags that were mis-ordered but were initially to be regular small trash bags that were gusseted. Only large bags are gusseted. With the small bags being gusseted they hold more but they are burdensome. In order to get rid of the bags, it was suggested to sell them at a "special bag price" of \$2.50 per bag. These would only be sold at Borough Hall. It was the recommendation of the committee to proceed with this bag sale, amend the fee schedule by resolution, and put the resolution on the May 17 Council agenda for approval.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Utility Superintendent's Report for April 2010.

Other Business

Councilman Jim Purcell stated that the staff had a company called Energy Cheek look into auditing the borough's energy use in borough-owned buildings. The energy audit price quote should be ready within the next week. The staff has also been exploring the use of solar panels and grant funds.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for April 2010.

Other Business

None at this time.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Request from Blooming Glen Church to use Kulp Park.

The Committee reviewed a letter from Pastoral Assistant Jody Moyer of the Blooming Glen Mennonite Church. The congregation is requesting the use of Kulp Memorial Park for an outdoor church worship service and baptism in the creek on Sunday, June 27, 2010 from 9:00AM to 1:00PM. Also requested by the church was permission to park on both sides of Second Street that day. Since this was done in past years, the committee recommended approval of the event and the parking arrangements. The matter will be placed on the May 17 Council meeting agenda.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

No business at this time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Lease for Nova

The Committee reviewed a memo from the Borough Manager regarding renewal of the leased office space on the third floor of Borough Hall. He went onto explain that the current lease expires at the end of June and Nova may not renew the lease due to security issues. The Manager explained that after some negotiating and security improvements, Nova has agreed to stay on a month-to-month basis and further agreed to add a 90 day "quit" provision to the lease which gives them a 3-month period lease at the same terms as the current lease. They will also contribute one-half of the costs of a new security camera. This matter will be placed on the May 17, 2010 Council meeting agenda.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Other Business

Committee members reviewed an e-mail from Ruth Dietrich, President of Perkasio Park, a seasonal community. The e-mail stated that the residents of this seasonal community do not feel that they should have to pay the \$35 fee since they are only part time residents. Several Councilmembers voiced their opinion on the subject. Upon motion by Slowik, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously agreed to stay with the \$35.00 annual fee because the park residents are also using the Borough's trash and recycling system. Maria Slowik stated that the Borough is still actively exploring a solution to help reduce the short-fall in the budget.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the audience requested an opportunity to speak.

PRESS FORUM

There were no questions from the Press.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM.

Daniel Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary