

**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING
PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL
FOR THE PERKASIE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MARCH 21, 2011**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Martin Gahman
Matt Aigeldinger
Stephen Algeo
Florence Frei
Barbara Krantz
Suzanne Kravitz
Chris Nicolosi
Jim Purcell
Maria Slowik
Joe Gilbert
John Hollenbach
Daniel P. Olpere
Andrea Coaxum
Joe Berardi
Joe Gura
Dan Gilbert
Josh Aniskevich
Ann Weiss
News Herald
Morning Call

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Assistant Manager:

Finance Director:

Police Chief:

Public Works Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

Perkasie Borough Council President Marty Gahman convened the hearing at 7:00 P.M.

HEARING ON PERKASIE INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY PROJECT FOR THE
SOLEBURY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Manager Olpere introduced the subject indicating the purpose of the hearing was to take public comment on the application of the Perkasie Borough Industrial Development Authority (PIDA). Kim Freimuth, of Fox Rothschild Attorneys was present representing the PIDA. She explained that Perkasie Borough would need to approve the issuance by the PIDA of its tax-exempt note for a facility located at Phillips Mill Road, Solebury School to include a one-story athletic center, running track, playing field, and one-story maintenance building.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Present was Charlie Baum, a board member of the PIDA who went onto explain that the PIDA does donate the money it makes by acting as a conduit for tax free financing. He stated the PIDA recently donated money to the Dog Park, score board to the ball parks and donations to various community projects.

There being no further comments, the meeting adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary

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Perkasie Borough Council President Marty Gahman convened the meeting at 7:05 P.M. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Present was Mae Wear of 505 S. 9th Street who questioned why residents do not have a choice to pick their on electric utility company.

Andrew Rumbold of 502 S. 8th Street stated that he felt the dog park would not generate all that much trash. He said the park would be a nice addition to the community and have a positive effect on the skatepark. He encouraged all Councilmembers to approve the dog park lease.

Luther Chontofalksy of 270 Parkridge Drive made comments about the agenda items repair roof for the Public Works and the purchasing of a new trash truck.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

President Gahman publicly thanked the Perkasie Borough Authority for all their assistance they have provided the Borough in the last year as far as filling the pool with water to helping with snow removal.

President Gahman announced that he was stepping down as Council President effective March 22, 2011 for personal reasons. Mr. Gahman then made a motion to appoint Councilman Matt Aigeldinger as the new Council President, which was seconded by Nicolosi and unanimously approved.

Council Vice-President Jim Purcell would still remain Vice-President. Jim Purcell thanked Mr. Gahman for his great work and leadership and stated that he supports Matt Aigeldinger 100%. Mayor Hollenbach also thanked Gahman for his year of service to the community.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Purcell seconded by Kravitz, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of February 21, 2011.

Upon motion Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council considered approving the Special Public Utility Committee meeting minutes of March 3, 2011. All Councilmembers voted unanimously to approve with the exception of Barb Krantz who abstained since she was not in attendance at the meeting.

Upon motion Purcell, seconded by Algeo, Council unanimously approved the meeting minutes of March 7, 2011.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor highlighted several events that he visited over the weekend including a homecoming parade for Army Specialist Jeffrey Short, from Iraq, and the groundbreaking ceremony for the Dog Park in Lenape Park which were well attended. The Mayor also noted that earlier at the Public Hearing, Charlie Baum a representative for the Perkasio Industrial Development Authority (PIDA) Board, stated the PIDA recently contributed money toward a new score board for the ball park system. He thanked all the people who make a difference in the community.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for February 2011.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for February 2011.

Engineer's Report

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

Planning Commission Report

The next meeting will be held March 23, 2011.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Purchase Trash Truck

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the purchase of a 2012 refuse collection truck in an amount not to exceed \$160,000.

Bid #2011-2, Public Works Roof

Upon motion by Kravitz, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously considered a motion to accept the bid from Jurin Roofing Services Inc. for the west and east roof of the Public Works Building in the amount of \$64,227.00.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before this committee.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Approval and Request for Waivers Jelski Subdivision

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2011-5, approving the Jelski Subdivision conditioned upon approvals from Council for the waivers and compliance with all recommendations from CKS Engineers and the Bucks County Planning Commission review letters.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Approve Lease for D.O. G. Park

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Kravitz, Council unanimously approved the lease between the Perkasio Borough and the Dog Owners Group for a tract of land in Lenape Park to be utilized as a dog park.

Last Chance Dog Walk

Upon motion by Krantz, seconded by Kravitz, Council unanimously approved a request from the Last Chance Ranch Dog. Inc. to hold an Annual Wags and Wiggles Dog Walk in Lenape Park on Saturday, October 29, 2011 from 10 AM to 2:00 PM. Permission to use the skate park pavilion is also necessary, which would be needed from 8AM to 2:30 PM for set up and clean up.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Resolution #2011-2, Authorize Fire Police Assistance

Upon motion by Nicolosi, seconded by Kravitz, Council unanimously approved an annual Resolution #2011-2, authorizing the Perkasio Fire Police to assist other municipalities for special events and times of emergencies.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Resolution #2011-3, Amend Fee Schedule

Upon motion by Kravitz, seconded by Algeo, Council approved Resolution #2011-3, amending the 2011 fee schedule under item #4 trash fees. Changing the *Annual Trash Disposal Fee per Household* from \$35.00 to \$0.

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Resolution #2011-4, Perkasio Industrial Development Authority Project

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Nicolosi, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2011-4 by Perkasio Borough to approve the issuance of the Perkasio Borough Industrial Development Authority of its tax exempt note for a facility located in Solebury Township and authorizing the taking of such acts not inconsistent with the proposed resolution.

Perkasio Pride Awards

This matter was tabled pending further review of information received. Subject tabled until April 4, 2011 Committee meeting.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Councilwoman Slowik stated she was still waiting for performance evaluations for the Borough Manager from several Councilmembers.

Councilman Purcell asked that parking of commercial vehicles be discussed at the April 4, 2011 Committee meeting. He suggested exploring options with the Chief.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tom Bancroft of 311 West Market Street had additional questions about the D.O.G. Park Lease that was approved earlier in the meeting. Tom also asked if the ordinance about dogs being on a leash in the park could be looked into by the Solicitor.

Susan Green of 624 East Walnut Street questioned whether the information regarding the ball field use of the Little League field had become available yet.

PRESS FORUM

No questions from the press.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary