

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COMMITTEE MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2011**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:	Matt Aigeldinger Stephen Algeo Florence Frei Barbara Krantz Suzanne Kravitz Chris Nicolosi Jim Purcell Maria Slowik John Hollenbach
Mayor:	Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager:	Andrea Coaxum (absent)
Assistant Manager:	Joe Gura
Police Chief:	Joe Berardi
Finance Director:	Dan Gilbert
Public Works Director:	Harold Stone (absent)
Electric Superintendent:	Josh Aniskevich
Park and Recreation Director:	Ann Weiss
Borough Solicitor:	News Herald
Press Representatives:	

Borough Council Vice-President Jim Purcell convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

Meghan Kennedy, the Girl Scout working on the Trolley Tunnel beautification project, was present to let Council know the project was finished and invited everyone to attend an “Unveiling Party” on September 10, 2011 from 5:00 – 8:00 PM. Borough Council members thanked her for the time she put into the project.

PRESIDENT’S REMARKS

President Matt Aigeldinger made the following changes to the Council Committees.

Steve Algeo-Added as Chair of Finance Committee
Steve Pizzollo-Added to Finance and Planning and Zoning Committee
Barbara Krantz-Moved from Planning and Zoning Committee to Personnel and Policy Committee

PRESENTATION TO JOE GILBERT

Mayor Hollenbach presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Joe Gilbert for serving as Junior Councilor for the last 2 years.

AUDIT PRESENTATION

Ron Ely of Styer Associates presented the audit of the Borough's financial record for the 2010 year.

REPORT FROM PERKASIE PLANNING COMMISSION

Manager Olpere reported that the Planning Commission at their meeting on August 24, 2011, agreed to remove a condition from the final plan for the Curry minor subdivision at 38 North Main Street and reapproved the plan.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's Report for August 2011.

Disposal of Surplus Equipment

The Committee reviewed additional information from Public Works Director Dan Gilbert on the disposal of surplus equipment with an auction website called "Munici-Bid", which is geared toward municipal equipment. It was the consensus of Council to move forward and make arrangements with Munici-Bid for the sale of these items.

Soap Box Derby

Upon a motion by Frei, seconded by Krantz, Council unanimously granted permission to the Indian Valley Soap Box Association to hold a Fall rally on 9th Street in Perkasio on October 8th and 9th from 6:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Permission was also granted to close 9th Street near the police station. It was noted that this event was held last year with great success. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion.

Crop Walk

Upon motion by Krantz, seconded by Algeo, Council unanimously granted permission to holding the Penridge Annual Crop Walk on October 9, 2011 from 12:30 PM to 5:00 PM.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Utility Superintendent's Report for August 2011.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for August 2011.

Quit Claim Deed-Ristine Property

The Solicitor gave a brief overview regarding a request to claim part of unopened Brown Street in the Borough by William and Christine Ristine which abuts their property. After discussing the request among the committee and with the Solicitor, it was agreed that this would set a precedent. Committee members recommended denying the request. It was suggested the Ristine's apply to the Zoning Hearing Board for a variance for their building setback.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

No business to come before Park and Recreation Committee.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

Curfew Report

The Committee reviewed a memo from Police Chief Gura regarding the curfew ordinance which was passed last year with an expiration date of the end of October 2011. The Chief's memo outlines there have been relative success of the curfew ordinance since its passage. It is therefore recommended that the ordinance be amended to continue. The Solicitor was asked to prepare an ordinance for review at the October Committees meeting.

Accept Resignation of Zoning Hearing Board Member

The Committee accepted the resignation of Steve Pizzollo from the Zoning Hearing Board.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Reapprove Lease with QNB

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved a revised lease with QNB (formerly Quakertown National Bank).

Perkasie Industrial Development Authority

The Committee received information regarding holding a public hearing of Council at their September 19 meeting to consider the issuance by the Perkasie Industrial Development Authority of its tax-exempt obligations to provide funds to be used to finance the cost of the facility at a site for the operations and programs of the Temple Judea of Bucks County.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Community Development Block Grant-2012

The Committee reviewed the details of the 2012 CDBG grant. Manager Olpere explained that the staff is recommending that the Borough apply for funding for installing the required handicapped ramps according to the 2012 proposed road maintenance schedule. If Council concurs with this recommendation, the Borough will hold a required public hearing at the September 19 Council meeting.

PUBLIC FORUM

Lee Ann Czerwonka of 624 East Walnut Street reported that she was out around town this past Saturday and her truck was vandalized. She also complained about the condition of certain roads in the Borough which turned out to be state roads. She doesn't believe Perkasio is a nice town to live in.

PRESS FORUM

No questions from the press.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM.

Daniel Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary