

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING
SEPTEMBER 19, 2011**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger
Stephen Algeo
Florence Frei
Barbara Krantz
Suzanne Kravitz
Chris Nicolosi
Steven Pizzollo

Mayor:

Jim Purcell

Borough Manager:

Maria Slowik

Assistant Manager:

John Hollenbach

Finance Director:

Daniel P. Olpere

Public Works Director:

Andrea Coaxum (Absent)

Police Chief:

Joe Berardi

Borough Solicitor:

Dan Gilbert

Park and Recreation Director:

Joe Gura (Absent)

Press Representatives:

Ann Weiss

Josh Aniskevich

News Herald

Daily Intelligencer

Perkasie Borough Council President Matt Aigeldinger convened the meeting at 7:00 P.M. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

HEARING CONVENES

Borough Manager Dan Olpere introduced Megan Santana, the solicitor for the Industrial Development Authority (IDA). Ms. Santana presented an overview of the project, a new facility for Temple Judea of Bucks County on Rodgers Road in Doylestown Township.

The floor was opened for public comment on this topic. No one requested an opportunity to speak.

Being no public comments on this matter, the public hearing on the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) was opened.

Borough Manager Olpere announced that the Borough would be applying for a Community Development Block Grant and proposed using the funding for ADA compliant handicapped ramps at crosswalks throughout the Borough.

The floor was opened for public comment on this topic. No one requested an opportunity to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

The Public Hearings were adjourned at 7:10 PM.

The Perkasio Borough Council meeting of September 19, 2011 was convened.

PUBLIC FORUM

No one from the audience requested the opportunity to speak.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Matt Aigeldinger presented a Certificate of Appreciation to former Council President Marty Gahman for his many years of service.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Frei, Council unanimously approved the following meeting minutes: 1) Council, August 15, 2011, 2) Committees, August 1, 2011 and September 6, 2011 and 3) Special Finance Committee, September 10, 2011.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hollenbach asked all present for a moment of silence for the recent passing of Tom Bancroft and to recognize and remember him for his service to the community in addition to his dedication to the dog park.

Taxes Collected

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

Budget Status

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

Engineer's Report

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

Planning Commission Report

No monthly report.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Request Fire Police Assistance Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Krantz, Council unanimously approved the request from Jerusalem Evangelical Lutheran Church to provide fire police assistance for traffic control/parking duties for their 185th Anniversary Church Celebration on October 15, 2011.

Trolley Tunnel Paving

This matter was tabled until the October 3 meeting.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Appointment of New Zoning Hearing Board Member

The floor was opened for nominations for a five year unexpired term to the Zoning Hearing Board.

Purcell nominated Andy Rumbold, which was seconded by Pizzollo.

Nicolosi nominated Claire Wischusen which was seconded by Pizzollo.

Frei nominated David Weaver which was seconded by Kravitz.

Maria Slowik made a motion to close nominations which was seconded by Barbara Krantz.

Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Slowik, Pizzollo, Aigeldinger, Purcell and Krantz voted for Andrew Rumbold. Councilmembers Kravitz and Frei voted for Dave Weaver. Councilmembers Nicolosi and Algeo voted for Claire Wischusen. By a 5-2-2 vote, Andrew Rumbold was appointed to the Zoning Hearing Board for a five year term through 2015.

The floor was then opened for nominations for Zoning Hearing Board alternate previously held by Andrew Rumbold for a three year term. Pizzollo nominated Dave Weaver which was seconded by Kravitz. Slowik nominated Clair Wischusen which was seconded by Nicolosi. Purcell nominated Angela Kelly which was seconded by Algeo. Councilmembers Krantz, Pizzollo, Frei, and Kravitz voted for David Weaver. Councilmembers Algeo, Purcell, and Aigeldinger voted for Angela

Kelly. Councilmembers Nicolosi and Slowik voted for Claire Wischusen. By a 4-3-2 vote, David Weaver was appointed Zoning Hearing Board alternate for a three year unexpired term through 2013

Appointment of New Youth Councilor

The floor was opened for nominations for the position of youth Councilor for Perkasié Borough for a term to expire at the beginning of the next school year in 2012. Purcell nominated Amanda Brooks which was seconded by Barbara Krantz. By a 9-0 vote, Amanda Brooks was unanimously appointed as the Youth Councilor to Borough Council.

Mayor Hollenbach administered the Oaths of Office to newly appointed Zoning Hearing Board member Andrew Rumbold, Zoning Hearing Board Alternate David Weaver and Youth Councilor Amanda Brooks.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilmembers acknowledged the funding requirements for the upcoming year through the Minimum Municipal Obligation Worksheets (MMO) for the Borough's pension plans for the uniformed and non-uniformed employees.

Authorization to Pay Bills

Council unanimously accepted payment of the bills as presented.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Economic Development Committee.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

PRESS FORUM

No questions from the press.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:30PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary