

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COMMITTEE MEETING
NOVEMBER 7, 2011**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger (absent)

Stephen Algeo

Florence Frei

Barbara Krantz

Suzanne Kravitz

Chris Nicolosi

Steve Pizzollo

Jim Purcell

Maria Slowik (absent)

Amanda Brooks

John Hollenbach

Daniel P. Olpere

Andrea Coaxum

Joe Berardi

Dan Gilbert

Josh Aniskevich

Ann Weiss

Joe Nolan

News Herald

Daily Intelligencer

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Assistant Manager:

Finance Director:

Public Works Director:

Park and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

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

There were no questions from the public.

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

No report from the Perkasie Planning Commission.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Presentation by Senior Center-Request for Contribution

Dr. Patricia Guth was present representing the Pennridge Senior Center. She explained how the organization meets the needs of the 55 and over members by offering educational programs, recreational activities and various services. Dr. Guth requested funding consideration be given to the Senior Center as part of the Borough's 2012 budget.

The Committee agreed to contribute the budgeted amount to help fund the Senior Center operating fund.

Recommendation of 2012 Preliminary Budget for Council

Finance Director Joe Berardi gave an overview of the 2012 preliminary Borough budget. Questions were asked and answered.

After the presentation, the Committee agreed to recommend approval of the 2012 preliminary budget at the November 21 Council meeting.

Fund Balance Policy

The Committee reviewed a recommendation to revise the Fund Balance Policy. The suggested change will be to increase the fund balance in the electric fund from 8% to 14%. The second change would be the addition of the refuse fund (which was not previously included) to 8%. The Committee concurred with the recommendation and placed the matter on the November 21 Council meeting agenda.

Fee Schedule-Pool Rates

Committee members reviewed a proposed fee schedule for pool memberships for next year. Proposed are new categories that include resident twilight memberships for individuals and families and Pennridge Senior Center memberships. Committee members agreed to add the additional types of memberships to the yearly consolidated fee schedule which is approved in December.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

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

Extend Trash and Recycling Contract

The Committee reviewed a memo from Assistant Manager Coaxum recommending that Council approve the extension of three refuse/recycling contracts that will end on December 31, 2011. Committee members agreed the contracts should be extended and placed the matter on the November 21 Council agenda.

Designate Disaster Recovery Agent

Borough Manager Olpere explained that the federal government requires the Borough to designate a "Disaster Recovery Agent" in order to qualify for mitigation funding for the two recent hurricanes. Committee members reviewed a resolution naming Finance Director Joe Berardi as the appropriate official in the Borough to sign the disaster recovery paperwork. It was agreed to place the resolution on the November 21 Council meeting agenda.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

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

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

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

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Flo Frei raised concerns about parking at the Perkasio Aquatic Center during the summer months. The residents along 3rd and 4th Streets find it difficult to park on the street near their homes because of the overflow parking at the pool. It was suggested a sign be placed at the pool that states parking is available across the street from the Pierce Library.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

There was no business to come before the Personnel and Policy Committee.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

There was no business to come before the Economic Development Committee.

PUBLIC FORUM

There were no questions from the public.

PRESS FORUM

There were no questions from the press.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Jim Purcell stated that Council was going into executive session to discuss personnel and would not reopen the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 PM.

Daniel Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary