

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
SPECIAL PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING
MARCH 14, 2012**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger (absent)
Stephen Algeo (absent)
Florence Frei
Barbara Krantz (absent)
Suzanne Kravitz
Steve Pizzollo (absent)
Jim Purcell
Jim Ryder (absent)
Justin Stottlar

Youth Councilor:

Amanda Brooks (absent)

Mayor:

John Hollenbach

Borough Manager:

Daniel P. Olpere

Public Works Director:

Dan Gilbert

Borough Solicitor:

Nathan Fox

Borough Engineer:

Joe Nolan

Perkasie Borough Council Vice-President & Chair of the Public Works Committee Jim Purcell convened the meeting at 6:00 P.M. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

SUMP PUMP DISCHARGE

Jim opened up the discussion regarding a proposed ordinance amendment regarding stormwater discharge on the streets. Mr. Olpere, Mr. Gilbert, and Mr. Nolan explained the rationale behind the proposed ordinance which was to eliminate further water discharge on the street during cold weather which results in icing conditions. The consensus of the committee after some discussion was to recommend to the full Council that the Stormwater Discharge Ordinance be considered for approval.

LEAF MACHINE

Manager Olpere and Public Works Director Gilbert explained that one of the leaf machines was broken and the alternatives were to replace it with a brand new machine or spend \$10,766 on a replacement engine. There was also discussion regarding the possibility of utilizing four part-time Public Works employees in the fall. Councilmember Stottlar suggested that the money from the capital fund be used to hire the part-time employees. Mayor Hollenbach suggested that the replacement funds remain in the capital budget and that the savings from snow

and ice removal over the winter be utilized for hiring of four public works employees in the fall to assist with leaf collection. After additional discussion, the Public Works Committee recommended that the full Council consider the authorization of a replacement engine for the current leaf machine and consideration for the hiring of four part time public works employees in the fall to assist with leaf collection.

PRESS FORUM

None.

PUBLIC FORUM

Mary Antzcak 718 Shadywood suggested checking into utilizing a tree service as an alternative for leaf collection in the fall. Regarding stormwater discharge, she noted that there is a problem on 7th Street that needs to be taken into consideration where drainage comes from the up hill side of the road.

Bill Delaney 250 North 3rd Street commented on stormwater drainage on Third Street.

Amy Nees of 512 Spring agreed that it was a good idea to consider the tree service. She also said there are drainage issues in her area and that fixing them will be expensive.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:00PM

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary