

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COMMITTEE MEETING
JUNE 4, 2012**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger
Stephen Algeo
Florence Frei (absent)
Barbara Krantz
Suzanne Kravitz (absent)
Steve Pizzollo
Jim Purcell
Jim Ryder
Justin Stottlar
Amanda Brooks
John Hollenbach
Daniel P. Olpere
Andrea Coaxum
Joe Gura
Joe Berardi
Dan Gilbert
Harold Stone
Josh Aniskevich (absent)
Nathan Fox
Joe Nolan
News Herald
Daily Intelligencer

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Assistant Manager:

Police Chief:

Finance Director:

Public Works Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Park and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

Press Representatives:

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

PUBLIC FORUM

Loyd Bush of 238 Parkridge Drive complained about a neighboring property at 242 Parkridge Drive which has not been maintained. Councilman Purcell said the Borough would look into it.

Mary Kate Sullivan of 313 South 4th Street asked what was the status of the suggested stop sign being placed at 4th & Spruce Street. Police Chief Gura stated that intersection does not warrant a stop since there is not a lot of traffic in that area, but he expects to do another traffic count when school is over for the year..

Luther Chontofalsky of 270 Parkridge Drive who complained about the stones between the sidewalk and street in his development. He also felt that basketball nets do not belong in the street and should be back closer to the houses.

PRESENTATION OF AUDIT

Mr. Greg Ede and Mr. Ron Ely of Styer and Associates presented the audit of the Borough's financial records for the year 2011.

REPORT FROM PLANNING COMMISSION

None at this time.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's Report for May 2012.

8th Street One-Way

The Committee discussed a resident's request, (404 West Callowhill Street) to make North 8th Street one-way between Callowhill Street and Buttonwood Street. The property owner has a site distance obstruction in his front yard which could be alleviated by changing the street to one-way but could cause hardship for surrounding property owners. Neighbors in the immediate vicinity were invited to attend this meeting for discussion. No one from that neighborhood had any comments on the issue. The matter was placed on the June 18 Council agenda for consideration.

Winter Maintenance Agreement

Manager Olpere explained the Borough has received PennDOT's proposed 2012-2013 winter maintenance rates for the plowing and salting of various state roads with the Borough. The 2012-2013 rates are 3.6 higher than last year. It was agreed to continue with the agreement.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Utility Superintendent's Report for May 2012.

APPA Safety Award

Mayor Hollenbach presented the Electric Department employees with a plaque from the American Public Power Association for attaining the Safety Award for the 3rd year in a row.

Power Supply Master Plan

The Committee reviewed an overview of the Power Supply Master Plan prepared by Garrett Cole of GDS Associates. Committee members discussed each key item of the plan. It was agreed to put the plan on the June 18 Council agenda for further consideration.

Other Business

Councilman Algeo asked where the Borough stood with the LED light project. No feedback has been received.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for May 2012.

Zoning Ordinance Amendment Reconsidered

The Committee reviewed a memo prepared by the Borough Manager regarding Fair Housing amendments. President Aigeldinger asked the Borough Manager to put the ordinance on the June 18, 2012 agenda stating the Borough could lose grant money if the Borough does not come in compliance with the Fair Housing Act. It would be ineligible for a Community Development Block Grant it has planned to use to install handicapped accessible ramps at crosswalks throughout the Borough.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Garden Club Presentation

The Perkasio Garden Club presented a renewal plan for the Menlo Park Memorial Garden which includes installing a new park bench and replanting and reusing some of the "pool plants" from the Menlo Aquatic Center. The design and work to be done by Contemporary Gardens. The Committee asked the Garden Club to come back to Council with a plan for Council to review.

Callowhill Street Bike Crossing

The Committee reviewed a letter from Borough engineer Joe Nolan summarizing the various cost figures for upgrading the bike crossing at Callowhill Street. Jim Purcell suggested going with the least costly option of installing fixed signs, crossing enhancements along the bike path, and arrange for the removal of trees that form a sight line problem for motorists.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

No business to come before the Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

OTHER BUSINESS

Councilman Stottlar asked why the Borough did not receive a copy of a letter from District Attorney David Heckler to Perkasio Solicitor Nathan Fox. Councilman Stottlar read the letter aloud and asked why the borough is still questioning the district attorney's decision. He questioned why he had never received a copy of the letter in one of the information packets the Borough staff prepares for Councilmembers. Solicitor Fox said he did not share the letter because he believed it would be his last correspondence with D.A. Heckler on the Sunshine Law matter.

PUBLIC FORUM

Tom Myers of 66 Fairview Avenue stated he thought it was a good idea the Borough is looking at an electric Power Supply Plan. He stated the Borough needs to look at its budget and make cuts to ease the costs to residents over the next 4 years.

PRESS FORUM

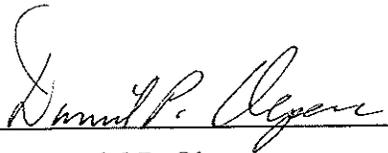
None at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:53 PM.



Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary