

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 15, 2013**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger (absent)
Stephen Algeo
Florence Frei
Barbara Krantz
Suzanne Kravitz (arrived 7:05 PM)
Steve Pizzollo
Jim Purcell
Jim Ryder
Justin Stottlar
John Hollenbach
Daniel P. Olpere
Andrea Coaxum (absent)
Joe Berardi
Steve Hillias
Dan Gilbert
Harold Stone
Carolyn Hanel
Nate Fox
News Herald
Daily Intelligencer

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Assistant Manager:

Finance Director:

Interim Police Chief:

Public Works Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Interim Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

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

PUBLIC FORUM

A little girl by the name of Emiline approached Council and thanked them for sponsoring Pennridge Community Day.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None at this time.

PRESENTATION OF PLAQUE TO PERKASIE LIONS CLUB

Mayor Hollenbach presented a plaque to the Perkasie Lions Club recognizing them for 75 years of service to Perkasie citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Kravitz, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the meeting minutes for Council Committee meeting July 1, 2013 and Council meeting June 17, 2013.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor thanked everyone who helped make Pennridge Community Day on July 7, 2013 another successful event. He also congratulated the Sellersville Fire Company for 125 years of service. He noted he awarded the Perkasio Pride Award to Jessica White at Pennridge Community Day.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Krantz, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for June 2013.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for June 2013.

Engineer's Report

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

Planning Commission Report

None.

Police Report

Councilmembers reviewed Interim Chief Steve Hillias's monthly report.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Bid #2013-3, 2013 Roadway Improvements

Upon motion by Kravitz, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the low bid of Joseph E. Sucher & Sons in the amount of \$174,345 for road work and paving for 2013 and approve the contract with the bidder conditioned upon the receipt of all necessary bonds and insurance.

Bid #2013-5, Rebid Handicap Ramps (CDBG)

Upon motion by Krantz, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the low bid of Floyd G. Hersh Inc. for handicapped ramps and concrete work under the CDBG Program for necessary work in 2013, conditioned upon the receipt of all necessary bonds and insurance.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Electric Contract

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Frei, Council considered a motion to approve Resolution #2013-17 to authorize the Borough Manager to execute a contract with the lowest bidder for power supply for the years 2014 and 2015.

Upon motion by Algeo, seconded by Stottlar, amended the motion with a 2.5% price increase constraint instead of a 5% price increase. All Councilmembers voted in favor of the amendment with the exception of Pizzollo who abstained. Motion carried 7-0-1. Resolution #2013-17 was passed unanimously as amended.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Pool Passes-West Rockhill Township

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Krantz, Council unanimously approved the donation of 4 daily pool passes to the Menlo Aquatic Center for the 2014 season to West Rockhill Township for their annual Septemberfest.

Pool Passes-Guth Elementary

Upon motion by Kravitz, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously approved the donation of 6 daily passes to the Menlo Aquatic Center for the 2014 season to Guth Elementary School which has their Race for Education Event in October.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

Upon a motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Kravitz, Council unanimously accepted payment of the bills as presented.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

CONSTITUENT OUTREACH COMMITTEE

Update from July 9th Meeting

Jim Ryder updated Council on topics that require further discussion at the August 5, 2013 Committee meeting which include: Street sweeping schedule, weed enforcement, sidewalk ordinance, police tip line update, and police patrol frequency.

QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Councilman Purcell asked that street trees in town center be placed on the August 5 Committees agenda.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

Questions from the press were received and answered.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 7:40 PM, Solicitor Nate Fox announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss to discuss any matter involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of performance, promotion or disciplining of any specific prospective public officer or employee or current public officer or employee employed or appointed by the agency, or former public officer or employee, provided, however, that the individual employees or appointees whose rights could be adversely affected may request, in writing, that the matter or matters be discussed at an open meeting. The agency's decision to discuss such matters in executive session shall not serve to adversely affect the due process rights granted by law, including those granted by Title 2 of the Pennsylvania Consolidated Statutes (relating to administrative law and procedure). The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to any meeting involving the appointment or selection of any person to fill a vacancy in any elected office and expected to reconvene. The meeting adjourned to the vault meeting room.

At 8:15 PM, the meeting reconvened.

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Krantz, Council unanimously approved a 5-day suspension for Police Officer Badge #8 for failure to be prepared for duty.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.

Daniel P. Olpere
Borough Manager/Secretary