

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH  
COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 16, 2015**

620 West Chestnut Street  
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger  
Chuck Brooks  
Florence Frei  
Barbara Krantz (absent)  
Suzanne Kravitz  
Steve Pizzollo  
Jim Purcell  
Jim Ryder  
Justin Stottlar  
Ashlin Brooks  
Callie Thompson  
John Hollenbach  
Andrea L. Coaxum  
Joe Berardi  
Steve Hillias  
Dan Gilbert  
Fred Schutte  
Carolyn Hanel  
Nate Fox  
News Herald  
Daily Intelligencer

Youth Councilors:

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Finance Director:

Police Chief:

Public Works Director:

Electric Foreman :

Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Press Representatives:

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. He asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of former Mayor Jay Godshall who recently passed away. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

The hearing was opened and Solicitor Fox summarized the purpose of the hearing was to received public comments on Ordinance #984, Flood Plain regulations. There were no comments from the public. The public hearing was closed.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

**PRESIDENT'S REMARKS**

None.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of January 19, 2015 and February 2, 2015.

## **CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS**

### Mayor's Report

Mayor Hollenbach made several comments about former Mayor Godshall's commitment to the community.

### Taxes Collected, Budget Status, Borough Engineer's Report, Planning Commission Report, Zoning Hearing Board Report, and Police Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected, budget status, engineer's report, Planning Commission report, Zoning Hearing Board report, and Police report.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

#### Consider Disposal of Surplus Equipment

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Stottlar, Council unanimously approved the disposal of a 1999 International Dump Truck by placing it on an on-line auction service Municibid.

#### Discuss Stormwater Issues

Manager Andrea Coaxum explained to Council the problem with water issues on 5<sup>th</sup> Street. Several homes are discharging their sump pumps onto 5<sup>th</sup> Street and some are discharging this water into the side or rear yard which is then making its way on to the road. The Borough engineer drafted a plan to begin work on the worst part of the roadway between Highland Drive and Blooming Glen. Since 5<sup>th</sup> Street is a PennDOT state road, they have agreed to provide the piping, necessary inlets and other material to complete this work. PennDOT further agreed to make permanent repairs to the road once the illegal discharge issues have been remedied.

### PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

#### Consider Disposal of Surplus Equipment

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Stottlar, Council unanimously approved the sale of 34 transformers to Jerry's Electric.

## PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

### Consider Ordinance #984, Floodplain Management

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #984, deleting and replacing Chapter 94 of the Borough Code of Ordinances and enacting a new and revised floodplain ordinance regulating building and related activities within the floodplain areas.

### Discuss Dedication of Sugarbush Drive

The Borough engineer confirmed that MJE Builders has completed their required work in the Sugarbush community as related to the land development agreements. The builder has asked the Borough to accept dedication of Sugarbush Drive. Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Stottlar, Council unanimously approved the advertising of a public hearing for Monday, March 16, 2015 to consider accepting dedication of Sugarbush Drive.

## PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

### Consider Request from Blooming Glen Mennonite Church

Upon motion by Frei, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved an Event Permit Application for the Blooming Glen Mennonite Church to hold a church service and baptism in the creek at Kulp Memorial Park on May 17, 2015 from 8:00AM to 1:00PM.

## PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE

### Authorization to Pay Bills

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

### Consider Local Tax Collector Tuition Request

Councilmembers reviewed a request from tax collector Judy Patton to be reimbursed for tuition expenses to become "qualified". The matter was tabled pending receipt of additional information.

### Consider Donation to Celtic Fest

Councilwoman Frei suggested the \$250 requested for an in-kind donation to Sellersville's donation of \$250 be changed to a One Year Membership to Menlo Aquatic Center worth \$250 to be raffled off at the event.

Councilman Aigeldinger proposed both the \$250 in cash and the One Year Menlo Membership be donated to the Chamber of Commerce for their event to be held on March 14, 2015.

Frei thought the pool membership alone be more appropriate considering the Borough had already committed the Public Works Department, the Electric Department, and the Police Department for work to be done in support of the event.

Aigeldinger responded that they could agree to disagree and made a motion to give both cash and membership. It was seconded and passed with 6 to 2 votes.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE

No business to come before the Committee.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

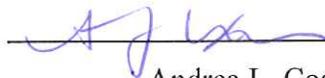
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**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Solicitor Fox announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss a Police Department matter and would not reopen the meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:40PM

  
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Andrea L. Coaxum  
Borough Manager/Secretary