# MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH COUNCIL MEETING JUNE 19, 2017

620 West Chestnut Street Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger Scott Bomboy Chuck Brooks Aaron Clark

Suzanne Kravitz (absent)

Steve Pizzollo Jim Purcell Jim Ryder Steve Rose

Mayor:

Borough Manager: Finance Director:

Police Chief:

Public Works Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Borough Solicitor:

John Hollenbach
Andrea L. Coaxum

Joe Berardi Steve Hillias Dan Gilbert

Harold Stone (absent)

Carolyn Hanel Jeff Garton

Borough Council President Jim Ryder convened the meeting at 7:00 PM. Mayor Hollenbach gave an invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

## EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT PROPOSAL PRESENTATION

Present was Eagle Scout Dan Lucas who presented a plan to renovate the gardens surrounding the 8<sup>th</sup> street parking lot. Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved a reimbursement of up to \$450.00 for his Eagle Scout Project.

#### PUBLIC FORUM

Present was Michael Murphy of 514 Amherst Circle. He questioned why his son was recently ticketed for parking in the cul-de-sac in his development.

## PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes May 17, 2017 and June 5, 2017.

#### CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

## Mayor's Report

The Mayor reminded everyone that the Pennridge Community Day is July 9 and that this year the Walnut Street bridge will be closed for the event.

#### Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for May 2017.

## **Budget Status**

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for May 2017.

# Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report.

# Planning Commission Report, Zoning Hearing Board Report, Police Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously accepted the Planning Commission report, the Zoning Hearing Board report and the Police Department monthly report.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

The street sweeper was discussed in detail. The Borough Manager advised putting it to bid because it was a used piece of equipment even though it was on Co-stars. At the end of the discussion, Council President Jim Ryder said the Borough should look into it further. There was no objection to putting it out to bid.

## PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

None.

#### PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

# Consider Resolution #2017-25, S.F. Day Financial Security Release

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-26 to authorize a reduction in the irrevocable line of credit for the S.F. Day Realty Corporation Land Development project as approved by Gilmore & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$1,784.63 to reduce the irrevocable line of credit to \$1,687.00 and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

## Consider Resolution #2017-26, Moyer Escrow Release

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Aigeldinger, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2017-26 to authorize a reduction in the escrow for the Willis and Sherry Moyer Living Trust Land Development project as approved by Gilmore & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$4,873.50 to reduce the total escrow to \$4,552.25 and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction. Consider Resolution #2017-27 Hidden Meadows Escrow Release

Upon motion by Pizzollo, seconded by Brooks, Council unanimously authorized a reduction in the escrow for the Calatlantic Group, Inc.-Hidden Meadow Land Development Project as approved by Gilmore & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$556,762.27 to reduce the total escrow to \$1,305,595.00 to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

## Consider Resolution #2017-28, American House Escrow Release

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized a reduction in the escrow for the reAlliance Real Estate Development/American House at Perkasie, LLC Land Development Project as approved by Gilmore & Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$22,359.60 to reduce the total escrow to \$0, subject to receipt of maintenance bond as required by the land development agreement, and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

## PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

#### Consider Dog Park Grant

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved the submission of a grant application for a park maintenance grant through the 2017 Bark for your Park Grant Program by Petsafe for funding in the amount of \$10,000 to improve drainage at the Borough's Dog Park.

## Consider Park Facility Reservation for Perkasie Garden Club

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved a park facility reservation for the Perkasie Garden Club to reserve the Menlo Pavilion on May 20, 2018 from 11AM to 2:00PM.

#### PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

## Consider Location for Borough Appreciation Night

Jim Ryder asked Councilmembers to submit any suggestions to him on where this years Borough Appreciation night should be held.

#### Consider Advertising for One Alternate to Civil Service Commission Member

Upon motion by Aigeldinger, seconded by Purcell, Council considered authorizing the advertisement of a volunteer position for an alternate Civil Service Commission member allowed under the Civil Service Rules and Regulations adopted by Borough Council.

## Consider Hiring Park and Recreation Director

This item will be discussed during executive session at the end of the meeting.

#### FINANCE COMMITTEE

## Authorization to Pay Bills

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

## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

# Consider Perkasie Pride Awards

Council reviewed the nominations submitted for the 2017 Perkasie Pride Awards.

Steve Pizzollo nominated Tom Ritter of 405 Dorchester Lane from Ward #1and was seconded by Matt Aigeldinger and unanimously awarded as a residential award in Ward #1.

Jim Purcell nominated Scott Seuren, owner of Bucks County Soapstone, of 515 West Walnut Street from Ward #2. The motion was seconded by Steve Rose and unanimously and awarded as a commercial property award in Ward #2.

Jim Purcell nominated residential property owner Jeff Koenig of 318 West Market from Ward #2 which was seconded by Jim Ryder. Aaron Clark nominated residential property owner Jeff Greco of 334 S. 5<sup>th</sup> Street which was seconded by Matt Aigeldinger. Nominations were closed. Upon roll call vote, Councilmembers Brooks, Pizzollo, Purcell, Rose, and Ryder voted for Mr. Koenig. Councilmembers Aigeldinger, Bomboy, and Clark voted for Mr. Greco. By a 5-3 vote, Mr. Koenig was awarded the 2017 residential Perkasie Pride Award in Ward #2.

Jim Ryder nominated Cheryl Wallace of 300 South Main Street from Ward #3 which was seconded by Pizzollo and unanimously awarded the 2017 Perkasie Pride Award in Ward #3.

## **QUALITY OF LIFE TASK FORCE**

None.

# OTHER NEW BUSINESS

None.

# **PUBLIC FORUM**

None.

## PRESS FORUM

None.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Jeff Garton announced that Council was going into executive session to discuss personnel and would not reopen the meeting.

# ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:10PM.

Andrea L. Coaxum

Borough Manager/Secretary