

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 16, 2019**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger (absent)

Scott Bomboy

Chuck Brooks (absent)

Aaron Clark

Randy Faulkner

Steve Pizzollo

Jim Purcell

Steve Rose

Jim Ryder

Ana McGrath

John Hollenbach

Andrea L. Coaxum

Russ Closs

Glenn Dickerson

Jeff Garton

Doug Rossino

Jeff Tulone

Megan Prusienski

Harold Stone (absent)

Doug Rossino

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Acting Police Chief:

Finance Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

Public Works Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Borough Engineer:

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

PUBLIC HEARING ON CONDITIONAL USE APPLICATION-534 WEST MARKET STREET

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously tabled the conditional use application until the October 7, 2019 Council meeting.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #1019, ZONING ORDINANCE & MAP AMENDMENT TO RE-ZONE TAX PARCELS 33-005-438 AND 33-005-456 FROM INDUSTRIAL 2 (I-2) TO RESIDENTIAL 3 (R-3)

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an amendment to the zoning ordinance to rezone or change the zoning of Bucks County tax parcels nos. 33-005-438 and 33-005-456 from industrial-2 to residential-3 (R-3). Mike Conolly of 103 North 9th Street asked why the zoning was not changing to R-2 instead of R-3. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously closed the hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING ON ORDINANCE #1020, ELECTRIC STANDARDS AND SERVICE

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an ordinance amending Chapter 85 of the Perkasio Code pertaining to electrical standards and service adding language concerning invoicing customers with faulty meters. There were no comments from the public. Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, the hearing was unanimously closed.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESENT 2019 PERKASIE PRIDE AWARDS

Councilmembers presented the Perkasio Pride Awards to the following recipients

WARD #1

Brian & Melissa Schmidt 530 Race Street

WARD #2

John & Denise Andres 212 Parkridge Drive

Historical Category

Greg & Priscilla Martin 320 West Market Street

Business Category

C&C Café 609 West Market Street

WARD #3

Bill & Ruth Repko 133 South Main Street

EAGLE SCOUT PRESENTATION-BENCH PROJECT-BRAYDEN CONNOR

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously authorized Eagle Scout Candidate Brayden Connor to build and install benches in the park system, and to approve a reimbursement of an amount not to exceed \$300 for supplies for the project.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved the Council meeting minutes of May 20, 2019 and June 17, 2019 and the Committee minutes of June 3, 2019, July 1, 2019, August 5, 2019 and September 3, 2019.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Mayor's Report

The Mayor mentioned the importance of volunteerism and how it makes a difference in the community.

Taxes Collected

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for August 2019.

Budget Status

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for August 2019.

Engineer's Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously accepted the engineer's monthly report for August 2019.

Planning Commission Report

Borough Council reviewed the Planning Commission minutes of August 28, 2019.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

There was no report from the Zoning Hearing Board.

Police Report

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously accepted the June, July and August reports from the Police Department.

NEW BUSINESS

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Present was a representative from the Covered Bridge Association who presented the Borough with a book on covered bridges.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Skate Park Ramp Resurfacing

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved the replacement of the skate park riding surface for a total cost of \$11,061.68.

Considering Extending Contract Solid Waste Disposal

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the one year contract extension with Waste Management for Municipal Solid Waste Disposal for the year 2020 at a cost of \$79.00 per ton.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Consider Ordinance #1020, Electric Standard and Service

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1020, an ordinance of the Borough amending Chapter 85 of the Perkasio Borough Code pertaining to electrical standards and service.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2019-26, Lot Line Adjustment-Pennridge Airport

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2019-26, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasio approving the lot line adjustment submitted by Pennridge Development Enterprises, Inc. as a final plan approval.

Consider Ordinance #1019, Zoning Ordinance & Map Amendment to Rezone Tax Parcels 33-005-438 and 33-005-456 from Industrial-2 (I-2) to Residential-3 (R-3)

Upon motion by Rose seconded Purcell, Council considered a motion to approve ordinance #1019 of the Borough amending Chapter 186 of the Zoning Ordinance to rezone tax parcels #33-005-438, 33-005, 33-05-005-456 from Industrial-2 (I-2) to Residential-3 (R-3). All Councilmembers voted in favor of the motion with the exception of Aaron Clark who voted against. Motion carried 6-1. Ordinance 1019 was approved.

PARK AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved an event permit application for the Pennridge High School Parade scheduled for October 18, 2019 beginning at 5:30PM at Guth Elementary and ending at Pennridge High School.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Advertising Draft Ordinance #1022-Police Pension Plan

Upon motion by Ryder, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously agreed to advertise Ordinance #1022, an ordinance of Perkasio Borough electing to amend its police pension plan administered by the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement System pursuant to Article IV of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Law; Agreeing to be bound by provisions of the Pennsylvania Municipal Retirement Law as amended and as applicable to members municipalities.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Consider Financial Donation to Bucks County Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals

Council agreed to include a donation to the Bucks County Society for the prevention to cruelty to animals in next year's budget.

Resolution #2019-25, Escrow Release #4-Pennridge Business Park

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2019-25 to authorize a reduction in the escrow for the Pennridge Airport Business Park Lot #2 as approved by Gilmore and Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$280,758.83 to reduce the total escrow to \$665,796.52 and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

Consider Letter of Intent and Commission Agreement-3rd Floor Tenant

Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved the Commission agreement and letter of intent dated August 7, 2019, with marks up, noting that final terms and lease conditions to be determined in the lease agreement document to be approved by Borough Council at a future meeting.

Consider Closing PLGIT Account for DWK Industries-Borough 3rd Floor Tenant

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Clark, Council unanimously approved to close the PLGIT account for DWK Industries and return the remaining security deposit.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Discuss Traffic Review of 5th and West Chestnut Street

Councilmembers discussed a traffic study for the intersection at South 5th Street and West Chestnut Street which seems to have an on-going line of sight safety issue. It was agreed additional traffic enforcement is needed at the intersection.

Consider Fire Prevention Open House Permit Application

Upon motion by Clark, seconded By Rose, Council unanimously approved an event permit application for the Perkasio Fire Company for a fire prevention open house on October 10, 2019 from 6:00-9:00PM and to close Arch Street between 45th and 6th Street for that time.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:07PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary