

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL COMMITTEES MEETING
APRIL 6, 2020**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Matt Aigeldinger
Scott Bomboy
Chuck Brooks
Aaron Clark
Randy Faulkner
Steve Pizzollo
Jim Purcell
Steve Rose
Jim Ryder
Ana McGrath
John Hollenbach
Andrea L. Coaxum
Joe Berardi
Jeff Garton
Jeff Tulone
Megan Prusienski
Harold Stone

Youth Delegate

Mayor:

Borough Manager:

Finance Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Public Works Director:

Park and Recreation Director:

Electric Superintendent:

Under provisions approved by the Pennsylvania State Open Records office, Perkasie Borough Council met via video conferencing on April 6, 2020 at 7:00PM. The meeting was live-streamed on the Borough's You Tube channel and the Borough's website at perkasiaborough.org.

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

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an amendment to Chapter 96 of the Boroughs refuse collection ordinance to allow for the use of trash totes, defined as "wheeled carts". No comments were received. Upon motion by Purcell, seconded by Pizzollo, Council unanimously closed the hearing.

Ordinance #1026, Electric Rates

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an ordinance that will grant the Perkasie Borough Council the ability to adjust electric rates during periods of national and/or state emergencies and change the consumption and demand charges for the period of March 16, 2020 through April 15, 2020. No comments were received. The hearing was unanimously closed.

Ordinance #1027, Residential and Accessory Building Heights

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an ordinance that would increase the height of residential building from (30’) feet to thirty-five feet to (35’) feet and to increase the maximum accessory building height for residential structures in the Town Center Overlay District from fifteen (15’) feet to twenty (20’) feet. No comments were received. The hearing was unanimously closed.

Ordinance #1028, Breweries and Related Uses

A public hearing was held to receive comments on an ordinance that would amend the regulations for brewery, microbrewery, microwinery, microdistillery, brewpub, and taproom. Amend the C-2 general commercial, I-1 Planned Industrial, and I-2 Light Industrial zoning districts to allow the brewery related uses by right or conditional use and amend the off-street parking requirements to establish required parking spaces for the brewery related uses.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

MAYOR’S PROCLAMATION TO HONOR ESSENTIAL EMPLOYEES

Mayor Hollenbach delivered a Proclamation designating April 13 as “Helper Recognition Day” in the Borough of Perkasio to encourage residents to acknowledge and recognize the “helpers” in the community.

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE MEETING

No business to come before the committee.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Summary

The Committee reviewed Perkasio’s February 2020 Wholesale Power Cost Summary report provided by GDS Associates.

Consider Ordinance #1026, Electric Rates

Upon motion by Rose, seconded by Ryder, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1026, an ordinance further amending Chapter 85 of the Code of Ordinances of the Borough of Perkasio titled “Electric Service” being ordinance 546, enacted April 9, 1984, and as amended, so as to grant Borough Council the ability to adjust electric rates during periods of National and/or state emergencies.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Consider Zoning Ordinance #1027, Residential and Accessory Building Heights

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Ordinance

#1027 an ordinance of the Borough of Perkasio, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, amending the Perkasio Borough Zoning Ordinance so as to increase the height of residential buildings from thirty (30) feet to thirty-five (35) feet and the increase the maximum accessory building height for accessory residential structures in the Town Center overlay district from fifteen (15) feet to twenty (20) feet.

Consider Ordinance #1028, Breweries and Related Uses

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Ordinance #1028, an ordinance of the Borough of Perkasio, Bucks County, Pennsylvania, amending the Perkasio Borough Zoning Ordinance so as to amend the definitions related to a brewery use, designate the zoning district where breweries shall be permitted either by right or by conditional use and establish required parking spaces for new uses.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Consider Escrow Release –The Perk

Upon motion by Faulkner, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2020-12 to authorize a reduction in the escrow for the Perk as approved by Gilmore and Associates in the amount of \$6,879.00 to reduce the total escrow to zero and to authorize the signature of the Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

Consider Awarding Bid #2020-3, CDBG Funded Borough Hall Accessibility Improvements

Upon motion by Clark, seconded by Purcell, Council unanimously awarded bid #2020-3, CDBG funded Borough Hall accessibility improvements to McCarthy Masonry & Concrete, Inc. to include the base bid and alternates numbered 1 through 4 for a total project cost of \$70,906.35.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

No business to come before this committee.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

PRESS FORUM

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:54PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary