

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2023**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Members:	Scott Bomboy Chuck Brooks Randy Faulkner Greg Martin Jim Purcell (Absent) Steve Rose Jim Ryder Dave Weaver Dave Worthington
Youth Councilor:	Robin Reid
Mayor:	Jeff Hollenbach
Borough Manager:	Andrea L. Coaxum
Finance Director:	Rebecca Deemer
Parks and Recreation Director:	Lauren Moll
Community Development Manager:	Linda Reid
Police Chief:	Robert Schurr
Electric Superintendent:	Harold Stone
Public Works Director:	Jeff Tulone
Borough Solicitor:	Jeff Garton, Esq.
Borough Engineer:	Doug Rossino, P.E.

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

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Nothing at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Martin, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved the minutes from the Council meeting on September 18, 2023, the Special Finance Committee meeting on September 27, 2023 and the Committee meeting on October 2, 2023.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Taxes Collected

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously accepted the report of taxes collected for the month of September, 2023.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Hollenbach reported that up to 236 students in the Penridge School District are currently receiving Ram Packs and the group who assembles the Packs is still looking for a building for their operations. He also commented on the amazing and spectacular Halloween decorations in town and added that people are already talking about the Tree Lighting.

Budget Status

Upon a motion by Brooks, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the budget status report for the month of September, 2023.

Engineer's Report

The Engineer gave an update on the Spruce Street apartments construction, and informed Council that the Borough's MS4 Report was submitted to DEP at the end of September. An application was submitted for a Transportation Alternative Set Aside (TASA) grant for the Liberty Bell Trail/Park Avenue Improvements project, and the timber pedestrian bridge project is out to bid, with bids due on October 26, 2023.

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously accepted the Engineer's monthly report for the month of September, 2023.

Planning Commission Report

Council reviewed a summary of the Planning Commission meeting on September 27, 2023.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

The Zoning Hearing Board did not meet in September.

Police Report

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously accepted the Police Department report for the month of September, 2023.

Fire Department Report

Council reviewed the Fire Department reports for the month of September, 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's report for

September, 2023. The Public Works Superintendent informed Council that leaf collection starts October 23, 2023.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Electric Superintendent's report for September, 2023.

Council President Ryder asked for an update on the frequency of the generators, and the Electric Superintendent informed him that they have not run since August, adding that the Borough is waiting for an update from AMP.

Consider Resolution #2023-48 – Power Supply Contract

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Rose, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2023-48, a resolution of the Borough of Perkasio regarding entering into a Power Supply Contract consistent with the Power Supply Master Plan for calendar years 2026 through 2030. Signing the resolution guarantees that final pricing will not exceed more than 10% of the indicative pricing received, as per the following:

1. Long-term 7x24 Annual Energy Block for Calendar Years 2026-2030 – 15% of Annual Load
 - a. \$45.87/MWh at the PPL Zone or PJM Western Hub
2. Long-term 5x16 Annual Energy Block for Calendar Years 2026-2030 – 10% of Annual Load
 - a. \$52.47/MWh at the PPL Zone or PJM Western Hub

The motion also included the authorization for the Borough Manager to commit to the purchase of such power supply.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Officer Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Code Enforcement Officer's monthly report for September, 2023.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Parks and Recreation Director Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Parks and Recreation Director's report for the month of September, 2023.

Consider Resolution #2023-46 – Pennridge Little League Agreement for Use of Field

Upon a motion by Martin, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2023-46, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasio approving the Pennridge Little

League Agreement between the Borough of Perkasio and the Pennridge Little League related to the baseball field and authorizing the Borough Manager to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Borough of Perkasio.

Consider Resolution #2023-47 – LSA Grant Application – Kulp Park Improvements, Phase 2

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously approved a resolution required by the Commonwealth Financing Authority as part of the Borough’s application for a statewide LSA grant of \$652,886.14 to be used for Phase 2 of the Kulp Park Improvements Project. The motion also designates the Council President and Borough Manager as the officials to execute all grant documentation.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Consider Authorization for Civil Service Commission to Start Testing Process for Hiring a Full-Time Police Officer

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Faulkner, Council unanimously authorized the Civil Service Commission to start the testing process to hire another full-time police officer.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Authorization to Pay Bills

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

Consider Authorization to Install Server Room HVAC System – Police Department

Upon a motion by Brooks, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously authorized the Police Chief to proceed with hiring Schoeller’s Electrical/Mechanical to install a new mini-split heat pump system in the server room at the Police Department for the amount of \$7,198.13.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Community Development Manager Report

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Community Development Manager’s report for the month of September, 2023.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Consider Resolution #2023-49 – Inter-Agency Agreement – Bucks County Children’s Advocacy Center

Upon a motion by Faulkner, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2023-49, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasio approving an Inter-Agency Agreement between the Borough of Perkasio Police Department and the Bucks County Children’s Advocacy Center, and authorizing the Police Chief to execute the Inter-Agency Agreement on behalf

of the Borough of Perkasio Police Department.

Consider Resolution #2023-50 – Appoint Perkasio Borough Fire Police

Upon a motion by Rose, seconded by Martin, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2023-50, which appoints Jonathan Blum as Fire Police Captain, Richard Dunbar as Fire Police Borough Liaison, and Mathew Bosch & Katrina Pettit as Fire Police for Perkasio Borough for the year 2023.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Nothing at this time.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Nothing at this time.

PUBLIC FORUM


Nothing at this time.

PRESS FORUM

Nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 PM.



Andrea L. Coaxum
Borough Manager/Secretary