

# **ELECTRIC BILLS**

# WINTER 2025 NEWSLETTER

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#### Electric bills are going up across the US, including Perkasie. Here's why.

The Borough of Perkasie is one of thirty-five municipalities in Pennsylvania that provide the electric utility to their community. The difference between the Investor-Owned Utilities (IOU's) such as PPL or PECO, and the Borough's electric utility is the revenue generated by the IOU's goes to their stockholders, however the revenue from the Borough's electric utility does directly to funding the Borough's services and operational costs. The result is a lower local property tax rate in Perkasie.

Electric rates consist of three main components: electric generation, transmission, and capacity. Transmission costs pay for the electricity being transmitted across the electric grid from the generation source to Perkasie. Capacity is the total amount of electricity generation available for consumption at any given time. To ensure that there is sufficient generation available to supply consumers, electric grid operators created capacity markets to incentivize electric generators to produce enough power.

PJM Interconnection is a regional transmission organization (RTO) in the United States. Their main job is to ensure that electricity flows reliably across a large power grid that serves more than 65 million people in 13 states and Washington, D.C. PJM operates the largest competitive wholesale electricity market in the world and runs regular capacity auctions to decide how much energy will be available in the future and at what cost.

PJM's most recent capacity auction hit record highs, meaning that electricity prices will go up for everyone in its 13-state area and Washington, D.C. The previous capacity auction cleared at about \$2.2 billion. The most recent auction, held in July of 2024, cleared at about \$14.7 billion, which is an increase of about 568%! Here's why:

- **More Demand, Less Supply:** More people need electricity, and new types of industry mainly AI and data centers have created a massive demand, but older power plants are shutting down and regulations and permitting mean that new plants are slow to come on line.
- New Rules for Reliability: PJM changed its rules to focus on making sure power is available during emergencies, like heat waves or storms. This makes electricity capacity more expensive because companies need to plan for extra capacity for those tough times.
- Local Shortages: Some areas don't have enough energy resources nearby, which made prices even higher in those places. Even though Pennsylvania is a net exporter of electricity to the grid, customers here will pay more next year because the capacity is shared across the whole region. These changes all mean that electricity bills are increasing, but they are also meant to encourage companies to build more power generation resources and improve the system, which is important for keeping the electricity reliable.

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### **ELECTRIC BILLS** continued from cover

#### What it means for Perkasie Borough:

The increase in the cost of capacity means that all utilities across the PJM Regional Transmission Organization coverage area have to, in turn, increase the price of electricity for their customers. The Borough is currently exploring additional ways to minimize the impact of increasing capacity costs. However, your electric utility rates will be increasing in 2025 and will possibly continue to increase through 2027. You will notice a new line item on your bill beginning in February with the pass through cost from PJM for installed capacity charges.

Members of Perkasie Borough Council are working on your behalf to lobby state and federal officials, and are working with Pennsylvania's municipal-owned utilities and industry organizations and watchdogs in an attempt to mitigate against another price hike in a future capacity auction. In November, the Governors of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Maryland, and Delaware issued a joint letter to PJM demanding urgent action to address the increasing electricity costs by adopting reforms to its market structure and interconnection process. Perkasie Borough Council Member Scott Bomboy wrote an editorial piece that can also be found in this edition of the Borough newsletter with more details. At the time of writing, PJM announced plans to postpone the next capacity auction for 6 months so they can discuss market reforms with the federal government.

The issues are complex, and the situation is continuing to evolve. Perkasie Borough Electric Company will continue to provide the outstanding levels of service and reliability that our community has come to depend on. Perkasie Borough Council will continue to advocate on your behalf, and share updates on our website. To learn more, visit www.papublicpower.org/RateHikes or www.perkasieborough.org.

## **LETTER FROM THE MAYOR**

As I sit down to write this article, I am reminded of my father, and I'd like to share a personal story with you. Some of you knew my Dad as Bud Hollenbach, teacher and coach at Pennridge High School for many years. He moved on to Heaven, as I like to say, in October of 2014. My Dad lived life with an enthusiasm and joy that blessed many over many years. One of his joys in life was fly fishing, which he taught me at an early age, and we spent many wonderful moments together at a place called Resica Falls on the Bushkill River in the Poconos. He not only loved fly fishing, but he also enjoyed tying his own flies, which is an art in itself. When it was time for my 16th birthday - just a couple of years ago! - Dad decided he would tie over 60 flies for me (google "trout flies" if you're not familiar with these works of art). My conservative estimate is that it took him over 100 hours to produce these at a retail value of over \$200. I remember being excited to receive the gift and looked forward to getting on the stream to try them out.

The story starts when Dad and I took that much anticipated trip to Resica Falls with these flies in hand on a beautiful late spring day. When we got to the stream, Dad moved about 50 yards upstream from me and we started to fish. As I waded into the cool, fast moving waters of the Bushkill, I had visions of catching a beautiful rainbow trout with almost every cast. One of my Dad's favorite lines about fishing when asked how things went on the stream was often "the fishing was great, but the catching wasn't". As it turns out, I was experiencing a bit of that, and so I decided to change flies as I was standing in about 3 feet of water in this fast moving stream. In the transition of putting a new fly on my line, I clumsily lost control of my precious birthday gift and the box of flies fell in the water. I unsuccessfully took a swipe with my hand to retrieve them, and watched the box float rapidly away from me. I was DEVASTATED. Of course the first thought in my mind was what and how will I tell my Dad what just happened. As I walked the 50 yards upstream to where he was fishing, anticipating how this next conversation might go, I expected him to say something like "how irresponsible can you be, do you have any idea how much time it took me to make those flies, and now they are gone". He would have been justified to respond in that way, but he did not. He looked me in the eyes, and said "I know you were not trying to do that, we all make mistakes," and with that he reached into his fly jacket and pulled out a small box of flies and said "Here, take these, let's keep fishing." His response to me, an embarrassed and disappointed teenager, was one of true grace and forgiveness. It was a gift to me that has been life-giving and formative.

My encouragement for each of us today is to look for ways to share a gift of grace and kindness, especially when you feel like you could or should respond differently. Can we find ways to encourage others, especially those that are struggling, and say to them in so many words "let's keep fishing".

-Mayor Hollenbach

# **PUBLIC WORKS REMINDERS**

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### A reminder of Parking Restrictions for Snow Events and Emergencies

To help Borough crews with the removal of snow from streets, the Borough Code of Ordinances restricts parking on some Borough streets when there are three or more inches of snow. The schedule of streets regulated by § 180-18.1 is as follows:

- Hunters Run east side, entire length
- Parkridge both sides, entire length
- South Seventh Street east side, from Borough Hall parking lot entrance to West Chestnut Street
- West Chestnut Street south side, from South Seventh Street to Borough Hall parking lot exit

### **Snow Emergency Routes**

When there is snow accumulation of three inches or more, the Borough Code of Ordinances prohibits parking on these snow emergency routes:

- Arthur Avenue both sides, from Elm Street to South Fifth Street
- Callowhill Street both sides, entire length (except south side only from Fifth Street to Seventh Street)
- · Constitution Avenue both sides, entire length
- Fifth Street west side, entire length
- · Main Street west side, entire length
- Market Street south side only, from Fourth Street to Fifth Street
- South Fourth Street both sides, from Cedar Avenue to Elm Street
- West Blooming Glen Drive both sides, entire length
- West Park Avenue both sides, from Fifth Street to Ridge Road (except south side only from Fifth Street to Ninth Street)
- West Walnut Street north side only, from Seventh Street to Constitution Avenue
- West Market Street south side, from Ridge Road to Fifth Street

#### Town Center Clean Up – Parking Restrictions

Perkasie Borough crews work to remove snow from the center of town after a snow storm. The roads will be marked with No Parking signs in advance, if possible. Parking will be restricted for snow removal as follows:

- 7th Street from Arch to Walnut
- Arch Street from 7th to 6th
- Market Street from N. 6th to Railroad
- Chestnut Street from 6th to 7th
- Walnut Street from 5th to 7th
- 6th Street from Market to Walnut
- 7th in front of Electric Department
- Area around Post Office at 7th & Vine Street
- Main Street in area of The Perk



### **CHRISTMAS TREE COLLECTION**

Christmas trees (without wire) are collected with brush pick-up on the first Wednesday in January, and on the second, third and fourth Fridays in January. Please check the Borough website and social media or call the Borough office for any updates to this schedule.



### **RECYCLING CENTER**

Located at 311 S. 9th Street and open Monday-Friday 7:30am-8:30pm and Saturdays 7:30am-4:00pm (closed Sundays and most holidays). Residents must display a Borough hang tag on their car in order to use the Recycling Center. Staff may request additional proof of residence. Do not lend your hang tag to non-residents.

Prepare your recyclables as you would for curbside recycling. Recycling dumpsters are marked; please make sure to use the correct one. DO NOT PUT PLASTIC BAGS IN DUMPSTERS.

TRASH and BULK TRASH items ARE NOT accepted at the recycling center.





1. Inspect and Clean Gutters - Remove leaves and debris to prevent ice dams and ure proper dra

2. Check the Roof - Examine for missing or damaged shingles and repair to avoid leaks rom snow and ice

3. Seal Windows and Doors - Inspect seals and weatherstripping to prevent drafts and heat loss.

4. Service the Heating System - Have a professional inspect and service the system to

or ice to your home or powerlines. 7, Prepare Snow Removal Equipm are accessible and in working order.

8. Check Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors - Replace batteries and test

detectors for proper function. 9. Pick up Debris: Before it snows, remove debris and household items from your family yard. Doormats, hoses, toys and sticks can hide under a layer of snow that could harm your snow thrower, family or pets

10. Inspect Chimney and Fireplace - Have a professional clean and inspect them to prevent fire hazards.

11. Ventilate Portable Generators - Always operate generators outdoors and keep them ay from windows, doors, and vents to prevent carbon monoxide buildup.

 Address Power Outages – If you experience a power outage, report it to the Perkasie Borough Office at 215-257-5065 (available 8 am to 4 pm) or call 215-257-5068 for after-hours assistance.

13. Maintain Clear Mailboxes and Trash Areas - Clear away snow and ice from wes and trash collection zones to ensure uninterrupted service

ensure efficiency and safety.
5. Insultate Pipes – Wrap exposed pipes to prevent theoring and bursting.
6. Trien Trees and Strubs – Pruse overhanging branches to prevent damage from snow
or ice to your home or powerines.
9. Trien Trees and Strubs – Pruse events and ice melt
9. Strubs – Pruse events are required to create a three-foot-wide path on
sidewalks. Businesses must clear anow within six hours of the storm, while residential
areas have an 18-hour window after the storm ends. Contact Code Enforcement
areas have an 18-hour window after the storm ends. Contact Code Enforcement ent to report any uncleared sidewalk

16. Parking Restrictions During Snow Events and Emergencies - When snow on reaches three inches or more, parking restrictions are enforced on certain streets as per the Borough Code of Ordinances to facilitate snow removal. Look for "No Parking' signs that will be posted in advance to aid in snow removal in specific areas. Check perkasieborough org for the list of streets

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## **MESSAGE FROM THE PERKASIE ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT**

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### WHY ARE MY ELECTRIC BILLS RISING?

Residents and businesses across Pennsylvania may begin to see the rates they pay for electricity starting to rise. That's because of shrinking power supply and rising electricity demand on the grid that serves our commonwealth and several other states.

#### Here's what you need to know:

PJM is the operator of a regional electrical grid that serves 13 states, including Pennsylvania, and the District of Columbia. It is the largest grid operator in the country. The most recent PJM capacity auction for energy production resulted in prices that were nearly 10 times the previous year, with results attributed largely to shrinking power supply and rising electricity demand. Even though Pennsylvania is the largest exporter of generated electricity among PJM member states, customers here are still going to pay more for their electricity because of these grid constraints.

"Acting as a neutral, independent party, PJM operates a competitive wholesale electricity market and manages the high-voltage electricity grid to ensure reliability for more than 65 million people."

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PGH Works analysis of PJM 2023 net transfers data in gigawatt hours

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# **Honoring Perkasie's Hometown Heroes**

Banners honoring our brave service men and women will be proudly displayed in the Borough of Perkasie as a way for the community to express its gratitude for their service to our country.

The Banner will be 24" x 48", 18oz., heavy vinyl, printed the same on both sides, and will display the service person's photograph, include their full name, branch of the Military and the era of service (WWI, WWII, Vietnam, etc.)

Banners are hung in May, and will be displayed for up to one year. When the banners are removed they will be returned to the sponsors.

To participate in the military banner program, please visit the Borough's website at www.perkasieborough.org.

### WHY DOUBLE-DIGIT ELECTRIC RATE HIKES ARE COMING TO OUR REGION

For consumers and businesses managing their finances, their monthly electricity bill is always a matter of concern. But due to new federally approved rules, double-digit rate electric rate hikes are now expected in Southeastern Pennsylvania starting in 2025.

These price increases are related to a power supply auction run by a little-known group, the PJM Interconnection, which maintains the electricity grid for 13 states and the District of Columbia. PJM is regulated by a federal government agency, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

A July 2024 auction at PJM to buy power capacity for extreme weather conditions starting in June 2025 came at \$14.7 billion, or 568% higher than the prior auction. The FERC had approved the auction guidelines. That price increase will be passed on directly to the 65 million customers in the PJM grid system, or 20% of all Americans.

PECO said in August it expects a 10% consumer billing increase for new PJM charges in 2025. PPL says average consumer bills will go up by \$10 to \$15 monthly next year to pay PJM fees. First Energy, which serves customers from New Jersey to Indiana, told the FERC in October the PJM capacity price increase will raise customer bills from 11% to 19% starting in June 2025. The Natural Resources Defense Council, a nonprofit that advocates for renewable energy, puts the total eventual price hike even higher, at 29%.

In Perkasie Borough, we have discussed our options at public meetings since August. Perkasie is one of 35 local governments in the state that owns its electricity distribution system. We buy power using a wholesale broker and use the proceeds to pay for police services, pave roads, maintain parks, and help our volunteer fire department. We expect price hikes in line with PECO and PPL once our budget process concludes in December.

These federally approved utility charges could be devastating to our local economy and businesses. Because the hikes come from out of state, the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission can't regulate them. Our fellow public power neighbors in Quakertown, Lansdale, and Hatfield boroughs face similar challenges.

One question we have raised at public meetings is how this situation has come to be? This is the same question asked by the Independent Market Monitor (IMM), a group legally assigned as a watchdog over PJM. During hearings in October 2023, PJM presented expert testimony that the worst-case scenario was a \$5.1 billion annual cost to stabilize the grid, starting in June 2025. Instead, the price tag was \$14.7 billion, and it came as a great shock to the Independent Market Monitor and other experts.

The IMM and the state utility commissions of 10 states, including Pennsylvania, have filed complaints at the FERC about the July 2024 auction amid forecasts about the next capacity auction, which could result in another \$30 billion in consumer electric charges starting in June 2026.

At Perkasie Borough, we inquired about these price hikes in Washington through the offices of Rep. Brian Fitzpatrick, who has filed our comments with the FERC and expressed his concerns about the hikes' impact on families and small businesses. Pennsylvania Gov. Josh Shapiro and four other governors raised the same concerns expressed by Perkasie Borough and Rep. Fitzpatrick with PJM.

PJM has pointed to several factors for the fee increases, including generator retirements, usage from artificial intelligence and Bitcoin data centers, and the FERC-approved rules that discount the ability of green-energy companies to help the grid in emergencies. The IMM believes the FERC-approved rules used in July 2024 added an unneeded \$7.6 billion in costs to consumers.

While this dispute is settled in Washington, we hope our state and federal elected officials remember that for all consumers, especially people and families on fixed incomes, the capacity charges are a real-life budget issue. And for small businesses with tight margins, the capacity charges could be damaging.

But for now, consumers can only hope that the path considered by the FERC will stabilize prices and include federal funds to lessen the costs to everyday folks in towns like Perkasie. In our borough, local taxpayers are paying for a federally regulated electrical grid across 13 states maintained by privately owned companies. Perhaps that system could be improved to more equally shoulder the financial burden going forward.

Scott Bomboy serves on Perkasie Borough council, and he chairs its Financial Committee. This editorial first appeared in the Perkasie News Herald.



# **UPDATES TO YOUR MUNICIPAL COLLECTION PROGRAM**

The Perkasie Borough collection program is more than just weekly trash collection; it's a vital community service designed to make life easier, cleaner, and more cost-effective for residents. Your Borough Public Works Department provides consistent curbside collection of trash, comingled and paper recyclables, bulky waste, yard waste, branches and leaves, ensuring that the community stays clean, safe and environmentally friendly.

The Borough's collection vehicles, maintenance of equipment, crew wages, disposal fees, hauling charges, rental fees and fuel are all paid for out of the Borough's Refuse Fund. The Refuse Fund also transfers money to the Borough's Capital Fund to cover the cost of large purchases, like leaf vacuums and trash trucks. All these costs are offset by revenue from the annual fee, quarterly toter fee, pay-as-you-throw trash bag fee, and small rebates from the State for recycling.

The Borough uses a competitive bidding process to receive pricing for disposal services for each of those materials to ensure they are disposed of properly for a fair price. As trash and recycling markets have evolved, and the cost of disposal services has increased, it has become necessary to adjust our fees and the guidelines for the collection bulky items to allow your Public Works Department to continue the level of service and reliability that our residents have come to enjoy.

Rates are changing in 2025:

- In order to continue providing the Pay-As-You-Throw bag program, the cost of bags will be increasing by \$1.00 per bag. The bag cost is intended to cover the cost of all of the fees associated with collecting and disposing of it.
- Toter customers will see an increase of \$5 per quarter, bringing the quarterly fee to \$87.50.

Curbside collection of appliances can be scheduled in person at Borough Hall, and are subject to a fee of \$20 per appliance. Appliances will be collected on the first Wednesday of each month.







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# **CODE ENFORCEMENT**

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#### How Can I Control Stormwater on My Property?

By Kristen Koch Program Manager, Penn State Agriculture & Environment Center

Have you ever wondered what you can do to control stormwater on your property? Maybe you experience property damage from excessive water runoff, live in a community that floods frequently, or care about the health of local streams.

Regardless of your motivation, there are many different things you can do to manage stormwater on your property, including:

- Downspout Disconnect/Redirect If your downspouts are directed onto a paved or concrete surface, or are directly connected to the storm drain system, look for opportunities to redirect them to lawn and garden areas. Some communities have even passed new ordinances that require this practice. Just be sure that all downspouts are directed away from foundations to avoid basement flooding.
- Rain Barrels Rain barrels capture and hold water until it can be used or slowly released into planted areas. For rain barrels to be effective at controlling stormwater, it is important to have a plan for using the water before installing one.
- Planting Trees Planting trees is a great way to reduce stormwater runoff. If you have a stream on your property, planting trees along the stream can be the best thing you do for water quality and the trees will help prevent the stream from eroding away your property. The more trees the better, but aim for a forest that is at least 35 ft. wide. At the very least don't mow your lawn directly up to the edge of the streambank. Let the grass grow some roots!
- Meadows If trees aren't an option on your property, adding other types of plants is a good substitute. Any areas where lawn can be replaced with ornamental grasses, flowers, and shrubs will have a positive impact on controlling stormwater on your property. Meadows, whether large or small, increase the ability of the land to absorb water. Meadows can be a great way to reduce the amount of time you spend mowing the grass and can be placed in the areas that are the most difficult to mow.
- Rain Gardens One of the best options for managing stormwater on your property is to install a rain garden. A rain garden is a bowl shaped garden that can capture and hold water until it is able to be absorbed into the soil. Rain gardens can be a do-it-yourself project but it may be wise to seek the services of a landscape professional.
- Pervious Pavers Pervious pavers can look very similar to a traditional brick or stone patio, sidewalk, or driveway. The difference is that they are installed with a thick stone base that provides space for water to be stored until it soaks into the ground. They are great for converting hard surfaces that usually make a lot of stormwater, into a surface that absorbs, manages, and reduces stormwater runoff. If you're interested in this, you should probably contact a professional landscaper.

These are just a few of the many options available for controlling stormwater. Many projects you can tackle on your own, but if you have complicated stormwater issues on your property, consider getting help from an engineer or landscape professional.

If you have additional questions about stormwater, or you are just interested in learning more, you can find a full series of videos and articles in the Penn State Extension Stormwater Basics series.



BRANCHES

Trim branches that hang above the chimney and clear any debris from your roof

#### FLUE

Always monitor flue temperature and keep air inlets open



CHIMNEY

Install a screen cap over the top of the chimney-When it comes time to clean, call a certified specialist

### HEARTH

Keep hearth clear of all obstructions, debris and decorations

ASHES Let ashes completely cool and pour water on them before disposing



FIREPLACE SCREEN Keep closed in order to keep stray embers from

escaping

#### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Never leave a fireplace unattended.

Check all smoke and carbon monoxide alarms to make sure they are properly working.

Have your chimney inspected and cleaned by licensed chimney sweeper.

Never burn trash or debris in your fireplace.

Store firewood at least 30 feet from you home.

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# **PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**



Cullen Graham

### Thank you, Cullen Graham!

Cullen Graham, a senior at Pennridge High School, installed an informational and historical sign at Kulp Park this past Fall for his Eagle Scout Project.

Cullen worked over many months with Parks & Recreation and the Perkasie Historical Society to create a sign that will "preserve the historical charm of this beloved spot in Perkasie."

### Thank you, Brandon Staehle!

Brandon is a local Eagle Scout who worked with Parks & Recreation and the Perkasie Historical Society to install an informational and historical sign in Lenape Park, along Constitution Avenue next to the Amphitheater, as an Eagle Scout and Black Belt project.

'This sign is important because there is a lot of history within Lenape Park and is either forgotten by current residents or unknown to new residents. For example, a lot of my friends didn't know about the ice-skating rink in the back of the park!' said Brandon.

Interested in pursuing a high rank in your troop by completing a project for the Borough? Please visit https://perkasieborough.org/departments/parks-recreation/about-us/scout-projects/ for more information.



For Borough Park Trail Snow Information, please refer to Resolution #2008-34:

"Snow plowing of streets and roadways, park service drives, municipal parking lots, sidewalks on Borough-owned properties, and any emergency needs are to take priority over snow removal. However, removal of snow from the designated areas is to be a priority of plowing of snow from municipal bike paths."



The Borough trails will be cleared when possible, but snow and ice covered areas may remain for an extended period of time after a storm. Surfaces may be slippery. Residents may still access the parks for winter recreation activities; however, they do so at their own risk.

#### Time to sharpen those skates!

Fingers crossed for icy temperatures to help our Skating Rink freeze this winter. The rink is located in Lenape Park, Constitution Entrance, in the back closest to the Creek. The water is pumped in from the Creek and we let the winter weather do the rest! The rink is skate at your own risk and open regular park hours, dawn to dusk. If you have any questions please email parkandrec@perkasieborough.org.

#### **PERKASIE COMMUNITY GARDEN PLOTS FOR SALE!**

Perkasie Residents can register starting March 1st and nonresidents starting April 1st. Plots are 12'x12' and are available to start planting after initial tilling. For more information and registration visit www.perkasie.rec.com.

Location:Garden is located at 5th Street and Shadywood DriveFee:\$25 per plot

#### **ZUMBA!**

Get ready to workout by dance! This is a high-intensity dance fitness class for all levels! There is a wide range of dance styles and fitness workout combinations throughout every class to accommodate all participants. Dance styles include

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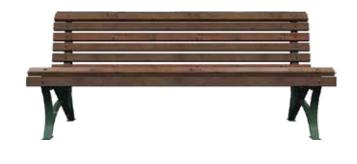
salsa, merengue, soca, dembow, hip-hop, dance pop, and much more. Join us on Monday nights to burn calories and have fun!

Dates:Every Monday 6:00 – 7:00 pmLocation:Perkasie Fire Department at 100 N 5th StFee:\$7 – must pre-register at www.PerkasieRec.Com

#### **LOVE YOUR PARKS**

Leave your mark in the park – Memorial Bench Program

Mixed concrete and wood benches are available to purchase or donate. Memorial plaques can be added to any bench and bench locations are customizable. What better way to honor than to bench for all to enjoy. Reach out to parkandrec@ perkasieborough.org for more information.





Brandon Staehle

# PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

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### **MENLO AQUATICS CENTER**

JOIN THE MENLO TEAM! Perkasie Borough is NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS for the 2025 Summer Season! Lifequards and Front Desk Attendant applications all being accepted! Interested candidates should go to www. perkasieborough.org for more information.

#### JOIN THE MENLO AQUATICS CENTER FOR 2025! Your backyard summer vacation destination!





#### **Aquatic Center Features Include:**

- Competitive Pool
- Leisure Pool
- Lazy River
- 2 Water Slides
- Rock Climbing Wall
- Diving Boards
- Toddler Pool with slide
- Children's Activity Center

#### **Memberships Perks Include:**

- Early pool access
- Discounts on programs
- Early registration
- Members only events

- Lap Lanes
- Zero Entry Access
- Aerobics & Fitness classes
- Special events
- Group & Private Swim Lessons
- Birthday Party Packages
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Scan here for more information:



### SWIM LESSONS AT **MENLO AQUATICS CENTER!**

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- PRE-BEGINNER
- BEGINNER I BEGINNER II
- INTERMEDIATE I
- **INTERMEDIATE II**
- SWIMMERS
- DIVING I & II LIFEGUARD READINESS
- WATER GAMES
- STROKE & TURN ADAPTIVE AQUATICS
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# PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT MENLO AQUATICS CENTER



#### Registration is OPEN for the 2025 Menlo Aquatics Center season! Memberships prices based on a per person fee schedule.

- Scan the QR code above or visit https://perkasieborough.org/departments/parks-recreation/menlo-aquatics-center/ for 2025 Pool Information
- All new accounts will be automatically labeled as **NON-RESIDENT** status.
- If you are a resident of Perkasie Borough you will need to send proof of residency prior to registering for any activities. Do so by sending a copy of your most recent electric bill with Perkasie Borough with name and address of the account to be updated to menloaquatics@perkasieborough.org
- Please allow us up to two business days to change and approve your resident account once proof of residency has been sent.
- Refunds for the difference between resident and non-resident prices will be not issued.

# CELEBRATE YOUR SUMMER BIRTHDAY PARTY AT THE POOL!

Menlo Pool Party Packages include a 3 hour party with reserved picnic tables, staff to assist, up to 30 party participants, the ability to add on food options, AND the ability to reschedule due to bad weather if scheduling allows! You don't need to be a member to book but Menlo Members get a discount!

Kulp Wading Pool Parties include the use of Kulp wading pool with lifeguard, use of Kulp Pavilion, and flexible scheduling. Great option for little ones 0-3 and close to playground and sport courts! You don't need to be a member to book but Menlo Members get a discount!

After Hour Rentals: Two-hour after hours rental available to Perkasie Borough resident or Menlo Member for up to 100 guests. Contact menloaquatics@perkasieborough.org to book your summer party today! and celebrations? Parties are easy and fun at Menio aquatics center

What comes with your party?



CELEBRATE YOUR PARTY IN THE PARK

### **Online Pavilion Requests**

Spring and Summer are just around the corner! Perkasie Borough park pavilions are a great place for your party or event. Every pavilion is in close proximity to park amenities including rest rooms and open play space! And requesting a reservation has become easier than ever before with our new online calendar, registration system, and printable permits!

PAVILION	NO. PICNIC TABLES	ELECTRIC	RESTROOMS	PLAYGROUND NEARBY	ATHLETIC FIELDS NEARBY	ATHLETIC COURTS NEARBY	POOL NEARBY*
Lions Pavilion Menlo Park	8	~	~	~			~
Skate Park Pavilion Lenape Park	6	4	~		~		
Rotary Pavilion Lenape Park	3	~	~		4		
Kulp Pavilion Kulp Park	2		~	~	~	~	~

Visit https://perkasieborough.org/departments/parks-recreation/parks-trails/rentals/ for more information and to reserve!



The Perkasie Towne Improvement Association "PTIA" is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization governed by a 9-member Board of Directors. PTIA strives to connect both new and established local businesses to each other and to our local community. Through marketing, and events PTIA is able to connect the community in a variety of fun and creative ways. We aim to welcome and promote business and community opportunities to locals and visitors alike.

PTIA organizes First Fridays, Perkasie Ale Trail, Coffee & Cone With a Cop, and Perkasie business roundtable discussions. We also host seasonal events like SHOP HOP Perkasie, Trick or Treat in Downtown Perkasie, Grinchmas, Gingerbread Extravaganza and Winter Wanderland in collaboration with local businesses. Each year we partner with local artisans to curate the commemorative Perkasie holiday ornament. As a group, we look forward to continuing our mission to connect Perkasie businesses with each other and with the greater Perkasie community through family-friendly events and professional networking.

# **PERKASIE GARDEN CLUB**

Perkasie Garden Club's purpose is to provide an opportunity for the members in the club to "grow" in their knowledge of gardening through lectures, demonstrations, and mutual sharing and to pass that knowledge on to the members of our community.

If gardening and nature interest you, please join us at our 2025 meetings. Our monthly meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month and start at 7:00pm. Programs are presented from 7:00pm to 8:00pm. Our business meeting follows which all are welcome to attend. Most meetings are held at the Perkasie Regional Authority located at 150 Ridge Road in Sellersville.

Annual dues are \$15.00 per family. Dues entitle members to attend our monthly programs and meetings. Also since we are a service oriented club we encourage our members to get involved by volunteering to help in the upkeep of the Memorial Garden at Menlo Park and the 20+ planters around Perkasie.

### **UPCOMING PROGRAMS 2025**

January 8 February 12 March 12 Rare Flora of Bucks and Montgomery County Medicinal Plants Native Plants for Birds Koby Kilgore Joanne Mathiasen Lynnette Saunders

For monthly meeting times, program topics & locations visit: https://perkasiegardenclub.weebly.com/meetings-and-activities.html Questions or comments please email: perkasiegardenclub@mail.com

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# **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

#### THE 2025 PERKASIE FARMER'S MARKET IS NOW ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FROM FARMS AND FOOD PRODUCERS!

Applications are invited from local farms and food producers interested in vending at our award-winning Perkasie Farmers Market! The market also has a limited number of spots for local homemade craft items. Local non-profit organizations are welcome to apply for our weekly COMPLIMENTARY Community Spot. All exhibitors must supply a Certificate of Insurance, evidencing general liability coverage. The Perkasie Farmers Market will open from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm every Saturday from June 7th until October 25th. A fee schedule and online applications are available at www.PerkasieRec.com. We also welcome applications from musicians to play at the market - we pay a stipend and it is a great way to get exposure to a local crowd, promote other gigs, collect tips, share information and sell CDs or other merchandise.

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The market offers a full range of local grown and Certified Organic produce. Farmers and local food producers bring eggs, meat, honey, breads, coffee, cookies, cakes, gluten-free & vegan treats, preserves, olive oil, flowers, plants, and more, as well as home-made craft items. Live music and a calendar of events make the market a fun weekly stop for families. Questions

about the Perkasie Farmers Market can be directed to the Borough's Events Assistant at events@perkasieborough.org.



#### PERKASIE INDOOR WINTER FARMERS MARKET

Perkasie's 3rd annual Indoor Farmers Market brings many of your favorite local food vendors inside for the season. The market takes place at the Fire Hall (100 N. 5th St.) from 9am- 12pm – it opened on December 14, 2024 then takes place on the 2nd Saturday of each month through April 12, 2025. Please park in the lot behind the Fire Hall or across the street in the Grandview Service Center lot. DO NOT block fire doors. Follow the Perkasie Farmers Market Facebook and Instagram pages for vendor lists and market news.

### SAVE THE DATE FOR PERKASIE BOROUGH'S UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS: Memorial Day Parade and Service Saturday, May 24, 2025 Summer Concert Series Wednesdays, July 9- August 16, 2025 Farmers Market Saturdays, June 7- October 25, 2025 Under the Stars Car Show Saturday, August 16, 2025 Fall Festival Sunday, October 5, 2025 America's Oldest Tree Lighting Saturday, December 6, 2025

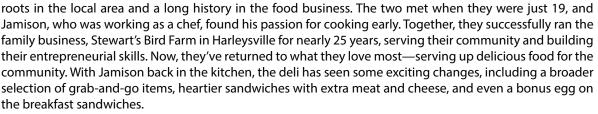
#### PERKASIE SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

We are excited to announce that we are now accepting applications from musicians for the Perkasie Summer Concert Series 2025. This is your chance to be a part of our beloved summer tradition and showcase your musical talents to a lively and an appreciative audience. For an application, please e-mail events@perkasieborough.org.

#### **STEWART'S ARCH ST. DELI**

The Arch St Deli in Perkasie has a new name and new owners Cristel and Jamison, a couple with deep





Cristel and Jamison, originally from Souderton and partners - in love and in business - for 33 years, are putting their personal touch on the deli. One of the special perks at Stewart's Arch St Deli is their commitment to local heroes, with free coffee offered daily to veterans, postal carriers, police officers, fire fighters and our first responders. Their warmth and dedication to the community shine through in every aspect of the deli's new offerings, making it a welcoming spot for locals and visitors alike.

Open for breakfast and lunch every day (closed Sunday), you'll find Stewart's Arch St Deli at 621 Arch St, at their Facebook Page, or at 215-257-3810.

# Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law Pennsylvania Vehicle Code

### **KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE**

When a School Bus is stopped on a highway or traffic way with its red lights flashing and side arm extended, a driver following or approaching must stop at least 10 feet from reaching the bus and remain stationary until the lights on the bus are turned off or the children who may have alighted (stepped down or dismounted) have reached a place of safety.

The driver of a vehicle approaching an intersection at which a School Bus is stopped shall stop his vehicle at that intersection until the flashing red signal lights on the School Bus are no longer activated.

If you are convicted of violating Pennsylvania's School Bus Stopping Law, you will receive all of the following **Penalties:** 

- FINE \$250.00
- When a school bus is equipped with a side stop arm enforcement system and you pass a school bus with its red lights flashing, you may receive a \$300 total fine in the mail.
- 60 Day Driver's License Suspension
- Five (5) points on your driving record

Your requirements and responsibilities as a licensed Pennsylvania driver are to obey the School Bus Stopping Law.

 When you meet or overtake a stopped school bus with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you MUST STOP.

- When you approach an intersection where a school bus is stopped with red signal lights flashing and stop arm extended, you **MUST STOP.**
- You **MUST STOP** at least ten (10) feet away from the school bus.
- You **MUST WAIT** until the red lights have stopped flashing and the stop arm has been withdrawn before moving.
- **DO NOT MOVE** until all the children have reached a place of safety.

### Our Children's Safety Is In Your Hands.









### MESSAGE FROM PERKASIE BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT 311 S. 9TH STREET PERKASIE, PA 18944 (215) 257-6876

The Police department routinely receives phone calls and questions on e-bikes and scooters regarding their legality when it comes to riding them on public roadways.

For a motor scooter (motor-driven cycle as defined by the Pennsylvania Vehicle Code) to be legally operated on roadways, it must be titled and registered in the commonwealth and have the proper insurance. In order to be titled and registered it must meet PA's equipment and inspection requirements Opens In A New Window for motor-driven cycles.

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Many motor scooters do not have the necessary equipment, such as fenders, turn signals, lights, etc., to pass inspection. Individuals who are looking into purchasing a motor scooter for transportation purposes should verify that there is a manufacturer's certification label affixed to the scooter indicating the scooter meets the applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) for a motorcycle and the certification label is located on a permanent part of the scooter close to the intersection of the steering post with the handlebars and should be easily readable without moving any part of the vehicle except the steering system. Those not manufactured for highway use will not have a certification label and cannot be operated on highways.

Even if a motor scooter were properly equipped and could pass inspection, it still may not be appropriate for use on all roadways if it is not powerful enough to keep up with other traffic. According to Section 3364, Pennsylvania Vehicle Code, except when reduced speed is necessary for safe operation or in compliance with law, no person shall drive a motor vehicle at such a slow speed as to impede the normal and reasonable flow of traffic. The only legal place to operate an electric scooter is on private property as they may not be operated on sidewalks or on public roadways.

Many Pennsylvanians use motorized bikes or scooters as their primary methods of transportation. However, simply because these individuals do not use motor vehicles does not mean that traffic laws do not apply to them. In fact, different laws apply depending on the type of motorbike or scooter that is used.

Electric bicycles are a popular choice among Pennsylvanians. Electric bicycles, or e-bikes for short, are motorized bicycles that have motors smaller than 750 watts. Additionally, these e-bikes cannot travel faster than 20 miles per hour. Although a license is not required to operate an e-bike, drivers must be at least 16 years of age.

Mopeds are different from e-bikes. To be labeled a moped, the bike must have a motor and pedals that propel it. The motor must be smaller than 50 CC and is limited to 5 brake horsepower. Mopeds also may not exceed 25 miles per hour and must have automatic transmissions.

To operate a moped on a public road, Pennsylvania requires drivers to have a Class C driver's license. Moped owners must also register their mopeds for a \$9 fee. Once a moped is registered, an owner will receive a special license plate that is affixed to the moped.

Pennsylvania defines scooters as "motor-driven cycles." Scooters must have no more than 5 brake horsepower. Though similar, one major difference between scooters and mopeds is that scooters must be inspected. To pass inspection, the scooter must have the proper equipment, such as lights and turn signals.





# **PERKASIE FIRE COMPANY**

Hello Perkasie Borough Residents,

We have many new residents to the Borough. We welcome you and you made a great choice moving to Perkasie! We are still an all-volunteer company responding to roughly 400 calls per year. We operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

I would like to take a moment to thank all of you for your continued support. Here are a few reminders to help keep you safe during the winter months.

If you have a wood or coal fireplace or stove, please remember that those used coals can stay hot for many days after you remove them from the cleaning process. Please do not put them into containers that can combust, and also keep the containers away from your house or garage.

Please make sure you have working carbon monoxide detectors in your home if you have any fossil burning fuels or an attached garage to your home (if it's all electric).

Please make sure you have working smoke detectors and practice an escape plan with your family, in case of an emergency.

We are often at the station at the corner of 5th and Arch Streets, so if you see us, please stop in to say hi and have a look at the apparatus if you wish.

If you recently moved into the area, or if you have been thinking about joining the Fire Company, please reach out. We are always looking for Fire Fighters, Drivers, Fire Police and Contributing Members.

We look forward to seeing you, and please follow our Facebook page as we keep that updated with news and upcoming events!

Thank you,

Jason Trotter Perkasie Fire Chief



# **PERKASIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY**

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# The Perkasie Historical Society is looking forward to seeing you at our Spring 2025 events!

#### PERKASIE CAROUSEL:

The 2025 Carousel season begins on Mother's Day! We look forward to seeing you at the carousel! The carousel is located in Menlo Park at West Park Avenue and 3rd Street, adjacent to the Menlo Aquatic Center.



#### **SPEAKER SERIES/MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS:**

# There are no Perkasie Historical Society meetings in January or February. We look forward to seeing you in March 2025!

The Perkasie Historical Society has regular dinner meetings featuring a speaker or program. Meetings are held at 6:30 PM at the St. Stephen's UCC, 110 N. 6th Street, Perkasie. Reservations for dinner are necessary. For reservations, please call Pat (215) 257-9624. Dinners are \$15.00 per person.

Our Spring series begins on Tuesday, March 4, 2025, with "The Presbyterian Church of Deep Run Three Centuries of Faith: 1725 – 2025."

Encouraged by the early 1720's invitation of William Penn promising freedom for all religions and driven by economic and religious persecution, Scots Irish Presbyterians fled to Pennsylvania in great numbers. By 1725, they built a log structure along Deep Run Creek. To this day, Deep Run Presbyterian Church remains true to its historical roots and features including the Irish Meeting House and the Red School House.

The Presbyterian Church of Deep Run will be celebrating their 300th anniversary throughout 2025 with such activities as an egg hunt, strawberry festival, various musical offerings and a catered dinner.

#### PERKASIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY SELF-GUIDED WALKING TOUR

Our Perkasie Historical Society website has a wealth of information sharing our local history. Consider taking our awardwinning Perkasie Historical Society Self- Guided Walking Tour of Perkasie Borough. An additional location is added monthly and the tour now encompasses more than 65 locations and is accessible from our website: https://www.perkasiehistory.org/ perkasieselfguidedwalkingtour.html

Watch for our additional tour locations identified by the Walking Tour QR Code window films!

#### **MEMORIES OF PERKASIE**

Sharing interesting connections between Perkasie's people, places and events. Perkasie Historical Society Museum volunteer curators and archivists work diligently to prepare descriptive topics adding articles monthly. (Perkasie Historical Society - Memories of Perkasie (perkasiehistory.org)

#### JOIN US IN PRESERVING PERKASIE'S HISTORY!

Membership dues of \$10.00 per year, are used to support our community activities. New Members: Please complete and submit the membership form on our Support Us page (https://www.perkasiehistory.org/supportphs.html) and mail your check to: Membership, Perkasie Historical Society, 513 W. Walnut St., Perkasie, PA 18944



# **BOROUGH COUNCIL APPROVES 2025 BUDGET**

Perkasie Borough faced some challenging circumstances as we worked towards a budget for 2025. The article on the cover of this newsletter describes how PJM installed capacity charges will impact electric users across 13 states and D.C. Perkasie Borough's 2025 bill for installed capacity alone will increase from \$284,913 to \$1,010,655. Energy costs will also increase, and the Perkasie Borough Electric Company continues to maintain and invest in Perkasie's electric infrastructure while maintaining their current levels of service, safety and reliability. The Borough's Public Works Department is dealing with an increase in the disposal costs of both trash and recycling, while they too remain committed to maintaining and replacing outdated equipment and providing an excellent level of service to our residents.



#### ELECTRIC RATES:

These factors have led to an increase in fees for Electric and Trash as the Borough seeks to offset increased costs.

From the February billing cycle, all electric customers will see an increase in the customer charge, energy rates and a new PJM Installed Capacity pass-thru line item charge. Specifically, residential electric customers will note a \$2 increase in the customer charge, a 2.0c per kilowatt hour installed capacity charge, and a 1.25c per kilowatt hour increase in the energy rate. Similar increases take effect for commercial electric accounts. An updated Electric Rate Schedule is available on our website at: https://perkasieborough.org/departments/electric-department/current-electric-rates/

#### TRASH RATES:

All residents who use a Borough trash toter will see an increase in the quarterly toter fee of \$5 per quarter, bringing the quarterly fee to \$87.50/quarter, which is in line with, or lower than, private haulers in the region. From January 1st, residents who use the Pay-As-You-Go trash bag program will see an increase of \$1 on all bag sizes, bringing bags to \$4.75 (large) and \$3.75 (small). The Pay-As-You-Go bag program remains very cost effective for smaller households, and those that consistently recycle, compost, donate, and otherwise divert items from the trash stream.

Guidelines for Bulky Waste collection will change later in 2025, when residents will be asked to pay a nominal fee for curbside collection of larger bulky waste items. See the article on page 9 for more information, and for resources to help with the disposal of unwanted items.

#### **RESIDENTIAL ELECTRIC RATE INCREASE:**

What:	Why:
<ul> <li>\$2 increase on the customer charge</li> <li>0.02 increase per kilowatt installed capacity charge</li> <li>0.0125 per kilowatt hour increase on the energy charge</li> <li>No increase on transmission</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintaining service levels in the face of increasing costs</li> <li>Continuing to invest in the infrastructure and maintenance of the Electric Company</li> <li>See the cover article about PJM Interconnection and increasing capacity charges</li> </ul>

#### **HOW TO HELP:**

US DoE: "Tips on Saving Money & Energy in Your Home": https://www.energy.gov/energysaver/energy-saver-guide-tips-saving-money-and-energy-home

PA Power Switch: https://www.papowerswitch.com/understanding-energy/ways-to-save-energy/

Energy Star: https://www.energystar.gov/rebate-finder

Resources for help with paying your Electric bill: https://www.buckscounty.gov/1373/Utility-Assistance

#### TRASH BILLS ARE GOING UP:

#### What:

- Quarterly toter fee is increasing from \$82.50 to \$87.50
- Bag fees are increasing by \$1 per bag
- No change to the annual trash fee, remains at \$50 for all residents

#### Why:

- Maintaining service levels in the face of increasing disposal costs for trash & recycling
- Recycling is mandated by the state and we are prohibited from charging for recycling service, but the cost of disposal is way higher than the cost of trash disposal
- Our toter fee remains lower than regional prices, and the pay-as-you-go bag system remains very cost-effective for customers who recycle

#### What:

• Bulky waste guidelines are changing later in 2025

Lots of ways to help reduce trash & recycling disposal costs, making the system more sustainable. Some of these ideas will reduce your trash bill too, especially when the new bulky waste guidelines come online:

Keep items out of the trash stream:

Dispose of things correctly and responsibly

Switch from disposable to reusable

#### Why:

- Read the article on page 9
- Sell, gift, donate or "freecycle" items:
- Donate to thrift and Consignment Stores
- Use local "For Sale" and "Buy Nothing" Facebook groups
- Compost (20% of trash weight is food): https://ecocycle. org/eco-living/composting-101/how-to-compost-inyour-backyard/
- Separate your cardboard and paper for collection on Fridays
- Keep trash out of your recycling (recycling disposal costs are higher than trash)
- Follow guidance on disposing of Household Hazardous Waste and eWaste: https://www.buckscounty.gov/444/ Household-Hazardous-Waste-Recycling
- · Use refillable, reusable bottles & containers
- Take reusable bags to the grocery store



Thunder and lightning storms happen all the time. Know what to do to keep you and your family safe when storms strike!

# **Indoor Safety**

Turn off computers. Stay off corded phones, computers, and other things that put you in direct contact with electricity or plumbing. You **can use** a cell or cordless phone.

**Do not** wash your hands, bathe, shower, do laundry, or wash dishes. Safety Tips

### **Outdoor Safety**

- ))) If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance of lightning. Look for shelter inside a home, large building, or a hard-topped vehicle right away.
- >>> Do not go under trees for shelter. There is no place outside that is safe during a thunderstorm.
- Wait at least 30 minutes after hearing the last clap of thunder before leaving your shelter.
- ))) Stay away from windows and doors. Stay off porches.
- >>> There is no safe place outside. Places with only a roof on sports fields, golf courses, and picnic areas are not safe during a lightning storm. Small sheds should not be used.
- ))) If a person is struck by lightning, call 9-1-1. Get medical help right away.

Lightning may strike as far as 10 miles from any rain.







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Perkasie Police Department 311 S. 9th Street Perkasie, PA 18944 (215) 257-6876

Perkasie Fire Department 100 North 5th Street Perkasie, PA 18944 (215) 257-6950

#### Perkasie Borough Public Works Phone (215) 257-6860 Fax (215) 257-2704 Email publicworks@perkasieborough.org Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM

Perkasie Borough Electric Department

Phone (215) 257-5065 Email electric@perkasieborough.org Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 7:00 AM – 3:30 PM

#### Perkasie Borough Parks and Recreation

Phone (215) 257-5065 Email Parkandrec@perkasieborough.org Website www.PerkasieRec.com Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM



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Please be sure to check www.PerkasieBorough.org for holiday hours and schedule changes

### **MEETING DATES**

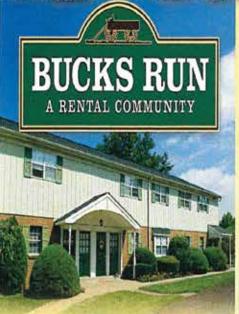
Borough Council	. 1st and 3rd Mondays, Borough Hall   7:00pm
Perkasie Regional Authority	. 2nd Mondays, PRA   5:30pm
Planning Commission	. 4th Wednesday, Borough Hall   7:00pm
Parks & Recreation Board	. 3rd Tuesday, Borough Hall   7:00pm
PWTA	. 4th Monday, PWTA   7:00pm
Zoning Hearing Board	. 4th Monday, Borough Hall   7:30pm

For agendas or schedule updates, please visit PerkasieBorough.org or email admin@PerkasieBorough.org

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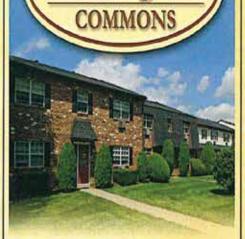
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Parking Included

Grounds

### **Apartment Features**

- · Wall to Wall Carpeting
- Ceiling Fans
- Over-the-Range Microwave
- Dishwasher
- Garbage Disposal
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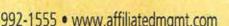
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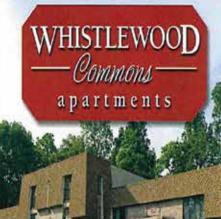
### **Apartment Features**

- · Wall to Wall Carpeting
- Ceiling Fans
- Walk-in Closets in Select Units Some Units with Front Porch
- Cable Television Available
  - Include:
    - Over-the-Range Microwave
    - Dishwasher
    - Upgraded Refrigerator & Stove
    - New Kitchen Cabinets & Countertops (Select Units)
    - Air-Conditioning Unit(s)
    - Customized Closets
    - Refurbished Bathrooms

- **Building Features & Services**
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- Garbage Disposal
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### 1 and 2 Bedroom Apartments

### Apartment Features

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- Dishwasher & Garbage
- Disposal
- Refrigerator and Stove
- Some Walk-in Closets
- Central Heating and Air-Conditioning
- Washer and Dryer in Unit Patio

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