

**MINUTES OF PERKASIE BOROUGH
COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING
JULY 20, 2026**

620 West Chestnut Street
Perkasie, Pennsylvania

ATTENDANCE:

Council Member:

Lilli Benner
Jaclyn Cornelius
Emma Hawkins
Kelly Laustsen
Robin Schilling
Dale Schlegel (via telephone)
Dave Weaver
Dave Worthington
Shiv Gandevia
Jeff Hollenbach (Absent)
Linda Reid
Rebecca Deemer
Lauren Moll
Robert Schurr
Harold Stone
Jeff Tulone
Jeff Garton, Esq.
Doug Rossino, P.E.

Youth Councilor:

Mayor:

Acting Borough Manager:

Finance Director:

Parks and Recreation Director:

Police Chief:

Electric Superintendent:

Public Works Director:

Borough Solicitor:

Borough Engineer:

Council President Robin Schilling convened the meeting, and the Pledge of Allegiance was performed. Ms. Schilling announced that Council Member Schlegel would be participating via telephone.

INTERVIEW COUNCIL APPLICANTS

Borough Council interviewed the four candidates who applied for the Council vacancy created by the recent resignation of Joe Green. The applicants were Scott Bomboy, Brandon Davis, Joanne Mathiasen and Evan Resnikoff. Each applicant was asked the same questions by Council President Schilling.

PUBLIC FORUM

Resident Matt Lynch expressed his support for Scott Bomboy and encouraged Council to appoint him for the Ward 3 vacancy, since the Covered Bridge project will be starting and Mr. Bomboy has extensive knowledge about the Covered Bridge.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Nothing at this time.

PRESIDENT'S REMARKS

Nothing at this time.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Solicitor announced that Council had an hour-long Executive Session prior to the start of the Council meeting to discuss a matter of pending litigation. No action was taken.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved the minutes from the Council meeting on June 15, 2026.

CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS

Engineer's Report

The Engineer informed Council that he has received the final as-built plans for construction for Constitution Square, and he can start recommending that final Certificates of Occupancy be issued; the contractor is also moving along with completing punch list items. The pre-construction meeting was held for the 2026 Road & Concrete programs, and the TASA kick-off for Phase 2 of the W. Park Avenue Improvements Project was recently held, with Phase 1 moving along.

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Benner, Council unanimously approved the Borough Engineer's monthly report.

Fire Department Report

The Fire Chief reported that it was the best year yet for the Carnival, with proceeds coming in at approximately \$23,000.

Council reviewed the Fire Department reports for the month of June, 2026.

New Business

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Public Works Superintendent reported that the Department has been working at Kulp baseball field for Legion and Connie Mack games, and also set up, worked and cleaned up for the Fire Department Carnival and Community Day.

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Public Works Superintendent's report for the month of June, 2026.

Perkasie Regional Authority Report

Council reviewed the minutes from the Perkasie Regional Authority meeting on June 8, 2026.

Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority Report

Council reviewed the minutes from the Pennridge Wastewater Treatment Authority meeting on May 18, 2026 and the flow reports for the month of May.

Consider Authorization to Place Public Works Vehicles on Municibid

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Hawkins, Council unanimously authorized the Public Works Department to place the 2011 International Packer, 2002 John Deere Tractor with Flail Mower, and the 2011 John Deere Skid Steer on Municibid.

Discuss 902 Grant Application – Horizontal Grinder

The Public Works Superintendent informed Council that there were some requirements not known at the time of this 902 Grant application submission that would cost additional money and work. It was the staff's recommendation that the application be withdrawn. Upon a motion by Laustsen, seconded by Worthington, Council unanimously concurred with the staff's recommendation to withdraw the 902 Grant Application for the Horizontal Grinder.

Review of Food Waste Diversion Study Report

Council was provided with a copy of the Food Waste Diversion Study Report, which was prepared by SCS Engineers and reviewed by Borough staff and the Technical Assistance team at DEP. The Acting Borough Manager provided a few highlights from the report.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMITTEE

Review of Superintendent's Report

The Electric Department Superintendent reported that the Department participated in a flagger recertification course, continued with AMI meter replacements and assisted with the Fire Department Carnival/Community Day events. Council President Schilling asked how close the Department is to being done with the meter replacements, and Mr. Stone stated that the Department is approximately 300-400 from being finished and hopes to be done by the end of the third quarter.

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Electric Superintendent's report for the month of June, 2026.

Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Monthly Report

The Committee reviewed the Perkasie Wholesale Power Cost Monthly Summary for the month of May, 2026.

Installed Capacity Update

Council reviewed the latest Live Wire publication from PMEA.

Review Minutes from Public Utility Committee Meeting on June 10, 2026

Council reviewed the minutes from the Public Utility Committee Meeting on June 10, 2026.

PLANNING AND ZONING COMMITTEE

Code Enforcement Administrator Report

The Committee reviewed the Code Enforcement Administrator's monthly report for the month of June, 2026.

Planning Commission Report

The Committee reviewed the Planning and Zoning Report and the Permit Report for the month of June, 2026.

Zoning Hearing Board Report

The Committee reviewed the Planning and Zoning Report for the month of June, 2026.

Project Update – Data Center Zoning Ordinance Amendment

The Acting Borough Manager provided an update on the proposed Data Center Ordinance Amendment.

PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE

Parks and Recreation Department Report

The Parks & Recreation Director reported that there has been positive feedback from the yard sale in the park, and Menlo memberships are over 1,200 with an estimated revenue of \$355,000. There are 3 big events coming up this month, including the Pop-Up Party in the Park on July 21st, the Special Storytime on July 23rd and the Movie in the Park on July 24th. On July 25th, it will be Christmas in July all day at Menlo, and there will be a Menlo After Dark event that evening.

The Committee reviewed and accepted the Parks and Recreation Director's report for the month of June, 2026.

Consider Park Event Application and Co-Partnership Request – Healthy Kids Running Series

Upon a motion by Laustsen, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved the park event application and co-partnership request for the Healthy Kids Running Series in Lenape Park and the use of the Rotary pavilion from 11:30 am to 3:30 pm on Sundays, 9/13/26 through 10/11/26.

Consider Reservation Request – Guth Elementary Fall Fest

Upon a motion by Benner, seconded by Cornelius, Council unanimously approved the reservation request from Guth Elementary for Menlo Pavilion from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm on Friday, September 25, 2026.

PERSONNEL AND POLICY COMMITTEE

Appoint New Council Member

Nominations were opened for the vacant Council seat. Council Vice-President Cornelius nominated Joanne Mathiasen. Council Member Laustsen nominated Evan Resnikoff. Council Member Worthington nominated Scott Bomboy. Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Cornelius, the nominations were closed.

After a few rounds of voting, 4 votes were received for Joanne Mathiasen, and 4 votes were received for Scott Bomboy. The Mayor was not present and is needed to break the tie. Per Borough Code, a special Council meeting must be scheduled to break this tie vote, not less than 5 days or more than 10 days within the tie vote, so a special council meeting was scheduled for Monday, July 27th at 6:00 pm.

Council Member Weaver and Council President Schilling thanked everyone who submitted applications for the Council vacancy.

Update on Borough Council Committees

Council President Schilling stated that the Council Committee updates will be made after the new Council member is appointed.

Update on Borough Manager Search

Council Vice-President Cornelius reported that 8 candidates were interviewed for the first round of interviews for the Borough Manager position on Friday, July 17th, and 5 candidates were brought back for a second round of interviews on Tuesday, July 21st. She added that the Search Committee is on track to maintain the timeline and bring 2 candidates in for Council to interview on August 3rd.

Consider Hiring of New Public Works Employees

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved the hiring of Evan Wilcox and Kole Wireman as Permanent Part-Time Laborers at the hourly rate of \$20.45, conditioned upon their passing pre-employment physicals and drug screenings and the necessary background checks.

Accept Resignation of Electric Department Superintendent

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Laustsen, Council unanimously accepted the resignation of Harold Stone with regret and best wishes, effective August 3, 2026.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Taxes Collected Report & Taxes Collected

Upon a motion by Hawkins, seconded by Cornelius, Council unanimously approved the Taxes Collected and the Budget Status reports for June, 2026.

Consider Payment of the Bills

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously authorized payment of the bills for the month of June, 2026.

Consider Resolution #2026-40 – Green Ridge Estates East – Escrow Release #7

Upon a motion by Cornelius, seconded by Worthington, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-40, a resolution of the Perkasio Borough Council authorizing a reduction in the escrow for the Green Ridge Estates – East project, as approved by Gilmore & Associates, Inc., in the amount of \$7,885.85 to reduce the total escrow to \$116,995.97 and authorizing the signature of the Acting Borough Manager on the escrow reduction.

Consider Resolution #2026-41 – Pleasant Spring Creek Streambank Stabilization – Final Payment and Project Closeout

Upon a motion by Cornelius, seconded by Laustsen, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-41, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasio approving the application for payment for the final payment for the Pleasant Spring Creek Stabilization Project and authorizing the Acting Borough Manager to execute any and all documents related to same on behalf of the Borough of Perkasio.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Community & Economic Development Report

The Acting Borough Manager reported that Gator's Card Den has opened on West Walnut Street in the Borough.

The Committee reviewed the Community & Economic Development Report dated July 15, 2026.

Special Events Report

The Committee reviewed the Special Events Report dated July 20, 2026.

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Police Report

The Police Chief reported that Community Day went well and that there were no issues.

Upon a motion by Hawkins, seconded by Laustsen, Council unanimously accepted the Police Department report for the month of June, 2026.

Consider Resolution #2026-42 – CSX Grant Application – Pedestrian Crossing Improvements

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-42, a resolution of the Borough Council of the Borough of Perkasio, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing application for CSX Pride in Service Grant, and authorizing the Acting Borough Manager and/or Chief of Police to execute all grant documents and agreements.

Consider Resolution #2026-43 – Agreement with Law Enforcement Accreditation Services, LLC

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-43, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasio approving the Law Enforcement Accreditation Services Agreement between the Borough of Perkasio Police Department and Law Enforcement Accreditation Services LLC, and authorizing the Acting Borough Manager and/or Chief of Police to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Borough of Perkasio Police Department.

Consider Resolution #2026-44 – Memorandum of Understanding – Legal Blood Draw Services with Chal-Brit Regional EMS

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-44, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasio approving the Memorandum of Understanding between Chalfont Emergency Medical Services, Inc. d/b/a Chal-Brit Regional EMS and

Perkasie Borough for the purpose of enhancing the safety of law enforcement officers, detained subjects, and hospital Emergency Department personnel by enabling trained Chal-Brit paramedics to perform clinical blood draws in the controlled environment of the Perkasie Borough Police Station or at the scene of a DUI or drug-suspected motor vehicle accident, thereby substantially reducing the need to transport subjects through hospital Emergency Departments and authorizing the Council President and/or the Acting Borough Manager to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Resolution #2026-45 – General Order 5.4.1 – Paramedic Blood Draws

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-45, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Perkasie Borough Police Department Paramedic Blood Draws Policy – General Order 5.4.1 – and authorizing the Borough Police Chief to execute the policy on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Resolution #2026-46 – Memorandum of Understanding – Pennridge School District

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-46, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Memorandum of Understanding between Pennridge School District and Perkasie Borough Police Department for the purpose of establishing procedures to be followed when certain incidents occur on school property, at any sponsored activity, or on a conveyance as described in the Safe Schools Act (such as a school bus) providing transportation to or from a school or school-sponsored activity and authorizing the Borough Police Chief to execute the Memorandum of Understanding on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Resolution #2026-47 – Policy 3.4.2 – Use of Artificial Intelligence

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-47, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Perkasie Borough Police Department Use of Artificial Intelligence Policy – General Orders 3.4.2, and authorizing the Borough Police Chief to execute the policy on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Resolution #2026-48 – Policy 4.11.2 – Law Enforcement Audio & Video Requests (Act 22)

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-48, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Perkasie Borough Police Department Law Enforcement Audio & Video Requests Policy – General Orders 4.11.2, and authorizing the Borough Police Chief to execute the policy on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Resolution #2026-49 – Policy 4.11.3 – Crime Victims' Right of Access Law (Act 134)

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously approved Resolution #2026-49, a resolution of the Council of the Borough of Perkasie approving the Perkasie Borough Police Department Crime Victims' Right of Access Law (Act 134) – General Orders 4.11.3, and authorizing the Borough Police Chief to execute the policy on behalf of the Borough of Perkasie.

Consider Resolution #2026-50 – JAG Byrne Grant – Bucks County Co-Responder Program

Upon a motion by Worthington, seconded by Weaver, Council unanimously and retroactively approved Resolution #2026-50, a resolution of the Borough Council of the Borough of Perkasie, County of Bucks, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, authorizing application for 2026/27 JAG Single Solicitation Local

Initiatives Grant.

Discuss Speed Limit Reduction on W. Callowhill Road

Upon a motion by Weaver, seconded by Laustsen, Council unanimously authorized the Borough Engineer to conduct the appropriate study to consider reducing the speed limit from 35 mph to 25 mph on W. Callowhill Road from N. 5th Street to Ridge Road.

Discuss Change to EMS Box Cards

Upon a motion by Laustsen, seconded by Worthington, Council unanimously permitted the Chief of Police to contact Bucks County Emergency Services to update the Box Card for EMS dispatches to be determined by GIS/GPS location, allowing for the closest ambulance to be dispatched to EMS calls for service.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE

Covered Bridge Rehabilitation Project Update

Council Member Hawkins reported that the Covered Bridge project has now been fully obligated by FEMA, then summarized the memo provided by the Finance Director about the project.

Perkasie Historical Committee Update

An update was provided to Council by Historical Committee Chair Scott Bomboy on the South Perkasie Covered Bridge and the Perkasie Historic District nomination status.

REPORT FROM YOUTH COUNCILOR

Youth Councilor Shiv Gandevia provided his last report to Council, since he will be moving on to college. Shiv served as Youth Councilor to Council and Youth Delegate to the Parks & Recreation Board. Council President Schilling thanked Shiv for his service and Council Member Worthington thanked Shiv and wished him a lot of success.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS

Council Member Laustsen informed Council that Pennridge FISH now has a new cooling center available for ages 18 and over.

Council Member Schilling explained her reasoning behind the vote she cast for a new Council member.

PUBLIC FORUM

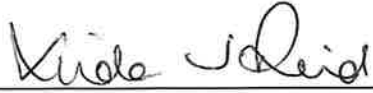
Resident Kim Bedillion asked about the \$125,000 spent on the feasibility study for the behind-the-meter solar project, adding that it was not budgeted and was taken out of the \$120,000 surplus. Ms. Bedillion further asked where the additional \$5,000 will come from. Council President Schilling stated that she will have that information for Ms. Bedillion at the next meeting.

PRESS FORUM

Nothing at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Linda J. Reid", is positioned above a horizontal line.

Linda J. Reid
Acting Borough Manager/Interim Secretary