

PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
April 19, 2010 – 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Melinda Keen.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by all present.

Council members present were: Melinda Keen, Kathleen Rick, Charles Persch, Willard Marsh, Mark Agen and Thomas Curtin. Also present were Mayor, John P. Hagan, II, Borough Manager, L. James Thomas, Secretary, Wendy A. Keegan, Police Chief Brian Sheller and Solicitor John Carnes. Council Member Andrew Hertzog was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: After moving the Police Chief's report, a motion to approve the agenda was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes of the March 15, 2010 Regular Meeting was made by Kathleen Rick and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Wendy A. Keegan

A complete copy of the March 2010 Treasurer's Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A motion to approve the bills submitted was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items):

- Ken Knickerbocker of Main Street voiced his support for naming the North Side Park Hery Park. Mr. Knickerbocker also stated he would like the Borough Council to send a thank you letter to the federal government for the stimulus money received for the State Street Bridge Project;

PRESENTATION:

- Douglas Brown of Representative Tom Houghton's office was present to update Council on the Octorara Regional Planning Commission. He welcomed Council to attend the next meeting scheduled for May 12th at 6:30 pm at the district office in Cochranville. Mr. Brown stated that he will be sending a letter to West Sadsbury Township regarding a stop sign at North Limestone Road and Strasburg Avenue.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Correspondence from the VFW requesting approval to hold the annual Memorial Day Parade on May 23rd. A motion to approve the parade was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Thomas Curtin. All in favor.

PLANNING COMMISSION/SUBDIVISIONS:

- Parkesburg Knoll Phase IIA – Joseph Ippolito presented two new models for Council’s consideration. A motion to approve the Woodward was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor. Consideration of the Clarkstown model will be tabled until the next meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Police Chief’s Report—Chief Brian Sheller

A complete copy of the Police Chief’s report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Fire Chief’s Report—Raymond Stackhouse

A complete copy of the Fire Chief’s Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Engineer’s Report—Mendi Lowe

A complete copy of the Engineer’s Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Manager’s Report—L. James Thomas

- East Second Avenue is now in the restoration process; met with representatives of Pennsylvania American Water Company to discuss how the repairs shall be made; most yards have been raked and re-seeded; work should be completed by the end of next week
- The issue on 7th Avenue with motorcycles is moving forward; the police are having trouble enforcing; the property is on a public right-of-way; a motion to allow the Solicitor and Mr. Thomas work with the Zoning Officer to draft an appropriate letter to cease and desist was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

Public Works Report—Melinda Keen

A complete copy of the Public Works Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Zoning Officer’s Report—ARRO Consulting

A complete copy of the Zoning Officer’s Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Mayor’s Report—John P. Hagan, II

No report. Mayor Hagan thanked Council for their thoughts on the passing of his mother.

PABA—Eric Jameson

No report.

Solicitor's Report—John S. Carnes, Jr.

A complete copy of the Solicitor's Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation—Kathleen Rick

A complete copy of the Park & Recreation Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Progress & Development—Thomas Curtin

The Community Farm Market has been advertised and banners have been purchased; vendors are beginning to apply.

Streets & Property—Melinda Keen

Mowers are being repaired; the bushes around the Government Services Center have been pruned.

Finance—Charles Persch

No report.

Police & Fire—Charles Persch

A complete copy of the Police & Fire Committee's Report is on file in the Borough Hall.

Library—Melinda Keen

The golf outing is scheduled for June 21st; Christmas in Parkesburg is moving forward.

Emergency Management Coordinator—Richard Irwin

No report.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- Motion to Enact Ordinance No. 486 – An Ordinance of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania Adopting the 2009 Edition of the International Property Maintenance Code, with Certain Identified Changes and Amendments, Regulating and Governing the Conditions and Maintenance of All Property, Buildings and Structures; by Providing the Standards for Supplied Utilities and Facilities and Other Physical Things and Conditions Essential to Ensure That Structures Are Safe, Sanitary and Fit for Occupation and Use; and the Condemnation of Buildings and Structures Unfit for Human Occupancy and Use, and the Demolition of Such Existing Structures in the Borough of Parkesburg ; Providing for the Issuance of Permits and Collection of Fees Therefor; Repealing All Other Ordinances and Parts of the Ordinances in Conflict Therewith was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.

- Motion to Adopt Resolution no. 2010-05 – A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Authorizing and Approving the Supplemental General Reimbursement Agreement for Federal Aid Projects (West Bridge Street Bridge over Amtrak – Agreement 062492A) Thomas Curtin and seconded by Mark Agen. All in favor.
- Motion to Adopt Resolution No. 2010-06 – A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Authorizing and Approving the Adoption of the Chester County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan Thomas Curtin and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.
- Trash & Recycling Ordinance – Motion to advertise was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor
- Municipal Solutions, Inc. – A motion to sign the Building Code Enforcement Services Agreement was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Featherwood Drive, Woods Lane, Oaklawn Drive – Discussion of problems with Borough and emergency service vehicles navigating the streets.

Several residents from Featherwood Drive, Woods Lane and Oak Lawn Drive were present to discuss access to their properties by the trash truck and emergency vehicles.

- Cindy Mammarella of Oak Lawn Drive advised council that she had contacted PECO, Verizon and Comcast regarding moving their wires; there are trees that need to be cut or trimmed; She is willing to bring her trash to Woods Lane for collection; Ms. Mammarella requested a commitment from the Borough regarding snow plowing;
- Fire Chief Ray Stackhouse met with residents and stated that the Fire Company will work with the residents to come up with solutions;
- Sheri Melton of Woods Lane wants the trash picked up at each residence;
- Claire Sieracki of Oak Lawn Drive stated that he house was brought up on trucks and believes large trucks maneuver her street;
- Larry Constable of Featherwood Drive believes that weight should not be a problem; he will take care of snow plowing;

- Dan Daprix of Featherwood Drive questioned the turning radius of the trash truck;
- Karen Stoltzfus of Woods Lane asked if the Borough will help with the utility companies;
- Mike Martorana of Woods Lane wants the Borough to compromise and continue to bring services to the residents;
- Stephanie Wentzel of Woods Lane asked which trees needed to be cut;

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Beverly Ely of West Street asked Council how to stop speeders.

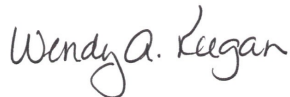
COUNCIL COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, a motion to adjourn at 10:00 pm was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy A. Keegan
Borough Secretary