

PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
October 20, 2008 – 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President David Jones.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by all present.

Council members present were: David Jones, Charles Persch, Thomas Curtin, Melinda Keen, Virginia Miller, Kenneth Knickerbocker and Sheri Melton. Also present were Mayor, John P. Hagan, II, Borough Manager, L. James Thomas, Secretary, Wendy A. Keegan, Solicitor John Carnes, Police Chief, Brian Sheller and Engineer, Mendi Lowe.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: After adding the Octorara Area Community Council under New Business, a motion to approve the agenda was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Thomas Curtin. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: After one minor change to the minutes, a motion to approve the minutes of the October 6, 2008 Regular Meeting was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Sheri Melton. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Wendy A. Keegan

A complete copy of the September, 2008 Treasurer's Report is on file in the Borough Hall. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Thomas Curtin. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A Motion to approve the bills submitted was made by Sheri Melton and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

None

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

ENGINEER'S REPORT—Mendi Lowe

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

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT—Chief Brian Sheller

A complete copy of the Police Chief's Report is on file in the Borough Hall. Smooth Operator will be complete in October; Citizen's Police Academy is going well; meetings with the contracted municipalities have been positive; working with the school district on a bus program. Mr. Jones clarified a statement made in the Parkesburg Post regarding the police contracts.

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-Mendi Lowe

A complete copy of the Zoning Officer'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. There was discussion about allocating millage in the 2009 budget for the Fire Company. The finance committee will discuss the issue at their next meeting.

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT REPORT—Robert Detweiler

No report.

MAYOR'S REPORT—John P. Hagan, II

A complete copy of the Mayor's Report is on file in the Borough Hall. Mayor Hagan presented Gerald Treadway of Strasburg Avenue with the "Mayor's Fedora Award" for his contribution to the borough and his demonstration of civic pride.

PABA—Eric Jameson

No report.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT—John S. Carnes, Jr., Esquire

- Two draft ordinances have been prepared – parking and trash/recycling;
- Has been working with Bob Longley to review the insurance contract. There will be a savings of \$23,500 to the Borough with switching insurance.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

- A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2007-26 – A Resolution of Parkesburg Borough, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Authorizing the President and Secretary of the Parkesburg Borough Council to Sign an Agreement to Authorize Electronic Access to PennDOT Systems was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Sheri Melton. All in favor
- Octorara Community Council — Mr. Knickerbocker requested Council to sign a letter of support for the Octorara Community Council which consists of the municipalities in the Octorara Area School District who encourage economic

development. A motion to sign a letter of support was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Evelyn Townsend of E. 2nd Avenue asked Council what could be done about Avon catalogs being thrown onto yards and driveways;
- Beverly Ely of West Street had a property maintenance complaint;
- Renata McNeil of S. Gay Street questioned the bill for Pennsylvania One Call;

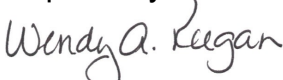
COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- David Jones reassured the Fire Company of the Borough's support

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, a motion was made by Virginia Miller and seconded by Melinda Keen to adjourn the meeting 8:15 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,


Wendy A. Keegan
Borough Secretary