

PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
August 17, 2009 – 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, Kathleen Rick, Thomas Curtin, Virginia Miller, Melinda Keen, Charles Persch and Kenneth Knickerbocker. 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.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes of the August 3, 2009 Regular Meeting was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT—Wendy A. Keegan

A complete copy of the July 2009 Treasurer's Report is on file in the Borough Hall. A motion to approve the Treasurer's Report was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A Motion to approve the bills submitted, excluding the bill to the Emergency Management Coordinator, Robert Detweiler, was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Kenneth Knickerbocker. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only):

- Beverly Ely of West Street questioned the Solicitor's bill

PRESENTATION:

- George Thompson of Pennsylvania American Water Company presented Fire Chief Raymond Stackhouse a \$500 grant to purchase a Sawzall.

PLANNING COMMISSION/SUBDIVISIONS:

- Kevin Wilson – 604 W. Second Avenue Subdivision Plan; A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2009-13 – A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Granting Conditional Preliminary/Final Plan Approval of the Subdivision and Land Development Plan of Kevin Wilson for 604-606 West Second Avenue, Parkesburg Pennsylvania was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Melinda Keen. All in favor.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

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

- The Winter Services Agreement with PennDOT is ready to be signed. A motion to authorize the Borough Manager to sign the 5-year contract was made by Melinda Keen and seconded by Thomas Curtin. All in favor.
- Mr. Thomas and Phillip Brath met with the Chester County Conservation District Manager to discuss the stormwater problems on West 7th and 8th Avenues in the Parkesburg Knoll development; the inspector contact DEP who sent letters to the developers; repairs will be this week with our engineer present.
- Met with PECO to get estimate costs for the revitalization project on West First Avenue.
- The water company project on East 1st and 2nd Avenues is underway.

POLICE CHIEF'S REPORT—Chief Brian Sheller

A complete copy of the Police Chief's 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.

PUBLIC WORKS REPORT—Melinda Keen

A complete copy of the Public Works Report is on file in the Borough Hall. Delinquent trash bills are continuing to be paid.

FIRE CHIEF'S REPORT—Raymond Stackhouse

A complete copy of the Fire Chief's Report is on file in the Borough Hall. Received a \$5000 grant through DCED for knox boxes; the annual fair made between \$15,000 to \$19,000.

PABA—Eric Jameson

Steve Mellinger was present on behalf of Mr. Jameson. He reported that the Community Day in Minch Park is scheduled for September 26th along with the Community Yard Sale.

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

- Sent a letter to Mr. Ippolito regarding the stormwater problems in Parkesburg Knoll;
- Negotiations are taking place with Verizon and Comcast regarding the cable franchises;

- Municipal liens are being filed for overdue trash accounts and property maintenance;
- Moving forward with the Davis tract;
- There have been developments with the Phillips' subdivision - several matters need to be tended to.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

- A letter of resignation from Robert Detweiler as Emergency Management Coordinator was read. A motion to accept said resignation was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Thomas Curtin. All in favor.
- A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2009-10 – A Resolution of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Eliminating Police Officer's Contribution to the "Police Pension Plan" as Adopted by Borough Ordinance No. 429 was made by Kathleen Rick and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor
- The non-uniformed pension plan will require funding in the amount of \$16,405. A motion to approve such funding was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Jamie Longenacre of West 8th Avenue asked Council if anything can be done regarding dirt bikes riding on a property on West 7th Avenue. He questioned whether the Borough had a "Noise Ordinance". Mr. Jones explained that the Borough is currently looking into adopting such an ordinance but there are many issues to consider.
- Jerry Treadway of Strasburg Avenue reported there are also dirt bikes riding on a property on the North Side.
- Beverly Ely asked council what could be done about speeders and skateboarders on 1st Avenue.

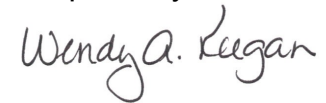
COUNCIL COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, President Jones adjourned the meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Wendy A. Keegan".

Wendy A. Keegan
Borough Secretary