

PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
October 5, 2009 – 7:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice-President Thomas Curtin

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by all present.

Council members present were: Thomas Curtin, Charles Persch, Kenneth Knickerbocker, Kathleen Rick and Melinda Keen. Also present were: Mayor John P. Hagan, II, Borough Manager, James Thomas, Borough Secretary, Wendy A. Keegan and Solicitor John Carnes. Council President David Jones and Council Member Virginia Miller were absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: After adding Comcast and Verizon negotiations to New Business and Brandywine Valley Association to the Parks and Recreation Report, a motion to approve the agenda was made by Melinda Keen and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes of the September 21, 2009, Regular Meeting was moved by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: A motion to approve the bills submitted was moved by Charles Persch and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Agenda Items Only)

Beverly Ely of West Street questioned the bills for police uniforms.

SUBDIVISIONS/PLANNING COMMISSION:

- A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2009-17 – A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Granting Waiver of Certain Subdivision Requirements Identified in the Borough Engineer's Review Letter Compliance with Which Was a Condition of Preliminary/Final Approval of the Subdivision and Land Development Plan of Kevin Wilson for 604–608 West Second Avenue, Parkesburg Pennsylvania was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Melinda Keen. All in favor.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation—Kathleen Rick

Brandywine Valley Association presented plans to plant a riparian buffer consisting of trees and shrubs in Minch Park. Planting of trees would begin in November and shrubs will be planted in the Spring. This will be completed through a grant and will require no funds from the Borough. A motion to accept the plan and to allow Brandywine Valley Association to plant a riparian forest was made by Melinda Keen and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

Progress & Development—Thomas Curtin

Met with the YMCA regarding possible properties in which to locate. Met with a developer to look at properties in the Borough for rehabilitation and development. The properties examined were the ACME shopping center, Brandywine Quarry and the old shopping center on Main Street.

Streets & Property—Melinda Keen

Community Day was a success.

Finance—David Jones

No report.

Police & Fire—Charles Persch

A copy of the Police and Fire Report are on file in the Borough Hall.

Library—Melinda Keen

Book sale did well. Christmas in Parkesburg is scheduled for December 5th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A motion to adopt Resolution No. 2009-18 – A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Pursuant to Section 505(m) of the Local Tax Enabling Act, as Amended by Act 32 of 2008, to Designate the Lancaster County Tax Collection Bureau as the Lancaster County Tax Collection Committee for the Purposes of the Local Tax Enabling Act was made by Melinda Keen and seconded by Kathleen Rick. All in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

- Comcast and Verizon Negotiations. Mr. Carnes reported that negotiations are moving forward and that he and Mr. Thomas believe they have enough information to present it to Council. The general terms were explained to Council and a request was made to move forward on preparing an agreement to be presented to Council. A motion to authorize the Solicitor and Manager to move forward to prepare said agreement was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Barry Wengart of Maple Street asked when Westminster Place will be ready;
- Harry Reath of Main Street voiced his concerns of the condition of the 600 block of Main Street;
- Beverly Ely reported that there is trash again on West Street.

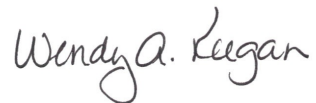
COUNCIL COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

With there being no further business, a motion was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Kenneth Knickerbocker to adjourn the meeting 7:40 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Wendy A. Keegan
Borough Secretary