

PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Meeting
May 4, 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, Charles Persch, Thomas Curtin, Kenneth Knickerbocker, Kathleen Rick and Virginia Miller. Also present were: Mayor John P. Hagan, II, Borough Manager, James Thomas and Borough Secretary, Wendy A. Keegan. Council Member Melinda Keen was absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion to approve the agenda was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Virginia Miller. All in favor.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion to approve the minutes of the April 20, 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 bill for Longley Insurance.

PROCLAMATION:

- Mayor John Hagan proclaimed the week of May 10th through 16th, 2009 as Law Enforcement Appreciation Blue Ribbon Week to honor and support every law enforcement officer serving the Borough of Parkesburg.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Parks & Recreation—Kathleen Rick

Met with Bernie Cazillo to discuss ways to fund the summer program; contacted the county to inquire about grants; organized the block house.

Progress & Development—Thomas Curtin

Working on the community market – spoke with many vendors; a motion to authorize the use of temporary banners at the intersection of Routes 10 and 372 for borough sanctioned events was made by Thomas Curtin and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

Streets & Property—Melinda Keen

No report.

Finance—David Jones

In the process of looking at a construction loan for \$500,000; the loan would be used as cash flow for the State Street Bridge Project, First Avenue street scape and Minch Park East; the loan will be reimbursed with grant monies; the actual funds used by the Borough would be approximately \$12,000; the terms would be to pay the interest only until grant monies are received; Two vehicles will be purchased for the police department with 4 year loans; Health care benefits will be changed beginning in June.

Police & Fire—Charles Persch

Discussed the purchase of vehicles and the budget; met with 5 companies regarding the pension - has been narrowed down to 2 groups – PSAB and PLGIT

Library—Melinda Keen

Dennis Schwandt reported that a reception to honor library volunteers will be held at the Borough Hall on Tuesday, May 12th; thanked Council for the use of the hall

Emergency Management Coordinator—Robert Detweiler

No Report

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy A. Keegan
Borough Secretary