

**PARKESBURG BOROUGH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Regular Meeting**  
**June 2, 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, Sheri Melton, Kenneth Knickerbocker, Charles Persch. Melinda Keen and Virginia Miller Also present were: Mayor John P. Hagan, II, Borough Manager, L. James Thomas, Borough Secretary, Wendy A. Keegan and Borough Solicitor John S. Carnes. Council Member Thomas Curtin was absent.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion to approve the agenda was made Sheri Melton and seconded by Thomas Charles Persch. All in favor.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2008, 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 Melinda Keen and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS** (Agenda Items Only)

None

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

- Request from Thomas Savage to refund filing fees for zoning hearing which was not held. A motion to refund fees in the amount of \$1250.00 to Mr. Savage was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Melinda Keen. All in favor.

**SUBDIVISIONS/PLANNING COMMISSION:**

- Parke Mansion Partners – Davis/Loue Tract (T.R. White) – Michael Shiring was present on behalf of Parke Mansion Partners to discuss the ARRO review letter and to request conditional approval. Mr. Shiring read through the letter and explained the status of each item. Engineer Mendi Lowe is

concerned with the review from the Chester County Conservation District. She believes it could change the drawings. Mr. Carnes is also concerned and would like Parke Mansion Properties to request an extension. The consensus of Council was to not grant approval at this time. Randy White will request an 90 day extension.

Regarding certain waivers requested, a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2008-11 – A Resolution of the Council of the Borough of Parkesburg, Chester County, Pennsylvania, Granting Waivers of Certain Requirements of the Boroughs Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance for Parke Mansion Partners, LP Relative to the “T.R. White Plan” was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Sheri Melton. All in favor

**MANAGER’S REPORT—L. James Thomas**

- Stormwater project is under budget;
- Third Avenue parking problem has been addressed by adding parking on West Street along the tennis courts;
- The fence at the tennis courts has been repaired;
- The old trash truck is in for repairs - Mr. Thomas is getting estimate for the work that needs to be done;
- The Borough has been awarded a Vision Partnership Grant in the amount of \$18,112.50 to pay for the services of The Grafton Association in updating the Revitalization Plan;

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT—John S. Carnes, Jr., Esquire**

- Mr. Carnes is working with the Borough Manager to get the bridge projects back on the TIP;
- Meetings were held with the property owners adjacent to the bridges;

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**Parks & Recreation—Sheri Melton**

A complete copy of the Parks and Recreation Committee report is on file in the Borough Hall.

**Progress & Development—Thomas Curtin**

No report.

**Streets & Property—Melinda Keen**

Working on spring clean-up; encouraging residents to remove trash from their yards; continuing to evaluate expenses;

**Finance—David Jones**

Meeting will be held on June 5<sup>th</sup> to review the year-to-date budget; will begin the 2009 budget process;

**Police & Fire—Charles Persch**

Mr. Persch reiterated that the Police have “zero tolerance” for vandalism; two new police vehicles will be ready for pick-up; a grant for a speed control trailer has been awarded; the Emergency Management Coordinator will be coming on-line; a click-it-or-ticket program is in progress; the Fire Company is planning for the fair which will be held July 1<sup>st</sup> through the 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Library—Melinda Keen**

The garden tour was held - despite the rain it was a success; June 23<sup>rd</sup> is the annual golf outing; flowers were planted in front of the library building.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Status of South Alley – Housing Development Corporation has contacted the homeowners along South Alley to inform them of the necessity of temporary construction easements.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- Chief of Police – A motion to approve the Police Chief’s Administrative Employment Agreement was made by Kenneth Knickerbocker and seconded by Charles Persch. All in favor.
- A motion to authorize the release of funds to pay for temporary construction easements for the West Bridge Street and State Street Bridge Projects was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Sheri Melton. All in favor.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

- Pam Pomento was present on behalf of the Parkesburg Lions Club to ask the status of their request to hold a barbeque fund raiser on the vacant lot at Routes 10 and 372. Council was concerned with traffic problems. Chief Sheller stated that there have been no problems with events held on that property in the past. Council approved the request.

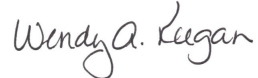
**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

- Ken Knickerbocker thanked Mr. Jones for negotiating with the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission regarding the bridge projects

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With there being no further business, a motion was made by Charles Persch and seconded by Melinda Keen to adjourn the meeting 9:00 p.m. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Wendy A. Keegan  
Borough Secretary