

WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL

March 3, 2010

PUBLIC HEARING:

A proposed West Grove Borough Zoning Ordinance Amendment to add a definition of “Youth Activity Center, which is a building within which supervised youth participate in various academic, social, music and other activities. The “Youth Activity Center” would be permitted in the C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District.

President Turkington opened the public hearing for the Zoning Ordinance amendment for the C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District. After the invitation for public input several questions were answered and following a general discussion of the ordinance; President Turkington announced that the public hearing was concluded.

The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday, March 3, 2010, in the West Grove Borough Municipal Building. The President, Richard S. Turkington, called the meeting to order at 7:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Stephen B. Black, Mayor
Mr. Richard S. Turkington, President
Mrs. Barbara Wood, Vice President
Mr. Chris Ferrier
Mr. Mark Johnson
Mr. Clyde Jacobs
Mr. Christopher Freese
Mr. David Prosser
Ms. Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary
Mr. Timothy R Nichols, Superintendent

ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT NO. 2010-01:

Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Prosser seconded to adopt the Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. 2010-01, which adds a definition of “Youth Activity Center and permits the use in the C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District by conditional use.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Officer Jason Ward introduced the new part-time police officer, Justin Fonock, to the West Grove Borough Council.

MINUTES:

February 3, 2010: Mrs. Wood moved to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2010 Borough Council Meeting and was seconded by Mr. Freese.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Ferrier moved and Mr. Jacobs seconded to approve the February Financial Report.

Motion Passed

TRANSFERS:

Mr. Ferrier moved and Mr. Jacobs seconded to approve the March transfers.

Motion Passed

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BILLS:

Mrs. Wood moved and Mr. Prosser seconded to approve the March bills.

Motion Passed

VISITORS:

Rev Richard Nazario, Cristo Rey United Methodist Church, discussed with Borough Council his application to hold an outdoor concert on August 7th from 4:00 pm to 7:00 p.m. Borough Council approved Reverend Nazario's request to hold the concert in the West Grove Memorial Park.

Nancy Hable, Country Station Gift Shop, asked for the limited timed parking to be enforced on Exchange Place after 4:00 p.m. Mayor Black will discuss the matter with Chief Galloway.

FINANCE ISSUES:

Backhoe Purchase: The Borough will be purchasing a new backhoe in 2010 and the estimated cost through CoStars is approximately \$92,000. The money to purchase the backhoe will primarily be taken from the Motor License Fund with the balance from the Water and Sewer funds. The old backhoe will be sold.

Chester County Tax Collection Committee: Act 32 requires sweeping changes to the collection of local earned income tax. The Committee is in the development of a request for proposal (RFP) for the appointment of a single tax collector to oversee the collection of earned income tax for all the school districts and municipalities within the Chester County Tax Collection District. The Chester County Tax Collection Committee has advertised the RFP and the goal is to appoint a tax collection service for the period starting January 1, 2011.

PUBLIC WORKS:

The Public Works Employees were commended on the snow removal in the Borough of West Grove.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Mayor Black announced the oral exams were completed and the top three candidates will have a background check conducted by Chief Galloway. Borough Council will hire for the full-time police officer position after everything is completed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION CALLED:

President Turkington called an Executive session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter. The Executive Session ended at 8:39 p.m. and President Turkington called the regular meeting back to order.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Wood moved and Mr. Prosser seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary

