

WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 5, 2014

The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, in the West Grove Borough Municipal Building. The President, Mark Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Stephen Black
Mr. Mark Johnson, President
Mr. Richard S Turkington, Vice President
Mr. Christopher Freese
Mr. Brian Knezek
Mr. David Prosser
Mr. Clyde Jacobs
Mr. Michael Ranieri
Ms. Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE APPOINTMENT: Mr. Turkington recommended appointing Michael P King as the Interim Chief of Police of the Borough of West Grove Police Department. Mr. Turkington informed Borough Council that Mr. King is retired from the PA State Police after 20 years of service and feels that he has the ability to rise to the challenge of the administration of the West Grove Borough Police Department. Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Ranieri seconded to appoint Michael P King as the Interim Chief of Police of the West Grove Borough Police Department.

Motion Passed Unanimously

INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE - ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE: District Justice Seavey administered the Oath of Office to the appointed Interim Chief of Police, Michael P. King.

Chief Michael King thanked Mayor Black and the West Grove Borough Council for the appointment as Chief of Police of the West Grove Borough Police Department. He looks forward to the challenge to develop a Community Police Department from his experiences from working as a PA State Police Officer and as a part-time New Garden Township Police Officer.

MINUTES:

October 1, 2014: Mr. Turkington moved to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2014 Borough Council Meeting and was seconded by Mr. Ranieri.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Freese seconded to approve the October Financial Report.

Motion Passed

TRANSFERS:

Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to approve the November transfers.
Motion Passed

BILLS:

Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Jacobs seconded to approve the November bills.
Motion Passed

VISITORS:

Kathy Ditchfield: Ms. Ditchfield expressed her concern about the speeding in the parking lot of Harmony Park and requested that speed bumps be installed to slow traffic down. She also questioned as to why there are no swings in Harmony Park as we have in Memorial Park.

FINANCE ISSUES:

Borough Tax Collector Appointment: Mr. Ranieri moved and Mr. Freese seconded to appoint Wanda Prosser as the Borough Tax Collector as of January 1, 2015.
Motion Passed Unanimously

Junior Council Member Appointment: Mr. Ranieri moved and Mr. Jacobs seconded to appoint Olivia Smalley as the Junior Council Member.
Motion Passed Unanimously

ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE – TAX COLLECTOR AND JUNIOR COUNCIL MEMBER: Mayor Black administered the Oath of Office to Wanda Prosser as Borough Tax Collector effective 1/1/2015 and to Olivia Smalley as the Junior Council Member effective immediately.

2015 TENTATIVE BUDGETS ADOPTION:

General Fund: Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Freese seconded to tentatively adopt the 2015 General Fund Budget in the amount of \$1,391,144.
Motion Passed

Street Light Fund: Mr. Ranieri moved and Mr. Jacobs seconded to tentatively adopt the 2015 Street Light Fund Budget in the amount of \$50,350.
Motion Passed

Water Fund: Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Freese seconded to tentatively adopt the 2015 Water Fund Budget in the amount of \$630,750.
Motion Passed

Sewer Fund: Mr. Freese moved and Mr. Knezek seconded to tentatively adopt the 2015 Sewer Fund Budget in the amount of \$690,650.
Motion Passed

Motor License Fund: Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Jacobs seconded to tentatively adopt the 2015 Motor License Fund in the amount of \$125,600.

Motion Passed

2015 West Grove Fire/Ambulance Contract: Borough Council decided to table the approval until the December 3, 2015 Borough Council Meeting.

2015 SPCA Contract: Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Prosser seconded to approve the 2015 SPCA Contract – Option 1.

Motion Passed

General Code Codification Division Proposal: Mr. Ranieri moved and Mr. Freese seconded to approve the proposal from General Code Codification Division in the amount of \$16,900.

Motion Passed

PUBLIC WORKS:

Curbside Leaf Pickup: The Superintendent, Mr. Nichols, informed Borough Council that curbside leaf pickup will continue until December 12, 2014.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Public Safety Committee Meeting: There will be a Public Safety Committee Meeting on Thursday, November 13, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. with Officer Ward.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Ranieri seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon B Nesbitt

Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary

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