

WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL

December 2, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday, December 2, 2015, 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. Clyde Jacobs
Mr. Brian Knezek
Mr. David Prosser
Mr. Michael Ranieri
Ms. Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary

MINUTES:

November 4, 2015: Mr. Prosser moved to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2015 Borough Council Meeting and was seconded by Mr. Ranieri.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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

Motion Passed

TRANSFERS:

Mr. Freese moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to approve the December transfers.

Motion Passed

BILLS:

Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Ranieri seconded to approve the December bills.

Motion Passed

VISITORS:

Jim McLimans and Chuck Freese, AGREM representatives, presented Tim Nichols with a recognition plaque for recommending the use of an AM radio station for emergency notification to the local residents.

Patrolman First Class Jason L. Ward received a Commendation Award at the Borough Council Meeting. He was recognized for his life saving efforts when, in early November, he provided CPR to an unresponsive elderly female who had no pulse. He continued chest compressions until relieved by EMS personnel from the West Grove Fire Co. Medics were eventually able to revive the patient on scene and transport her to the hospital. It was noted that the early CPR administered by Pfc. Ward undoubtedly played a

role in resuscitating her on scene. Ward had recently received CPR / First Aid re-certification training from the West Grove Fire Company.

Regional Police Information: Chief Jerry Simpson, New Garden Twp Police Department, gave a Regional Police Information Presentation to the Mayor and West Grove Borough Council Members. Chief Simpson gave an overview of the pros and cons of the Borough of West Grove and the New Garden Township Police Departments to join together and form a Regional Police Department. There was an opportunity for members of Borough Council to ask Chief Simpson questions after the presentation. After a lengthy discussion; Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to proceed to explore the possibility of joining with New Garden Township to form a Regional Police Department.

Motion Passed

FINANCE:

2016 Tax Rate Ordinance No. 2015-02: Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-02, the 2016 Borough of West Grove Tax Rate Ordinance.

Motion Passed

2016 Budget Resolution No. 2015-05: Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2015-05, the 2016 Borough of West Grove Budget Resolution.

Motion Passed

2016 Police Pension Resolution No. 2015-06: Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to adopt Resolution No. 2015-06, the 2016 Borough of West Grove Police Pension Resolution to waive contributions for the calendar year 2016.

Motion Passed

2016 West Grove Fire Company Contract: Mr. Turkington moved to approve the 2016 West Grove Fire Company Contract and Mr. Freese seconded.

Motion Passed

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Chief King gave an overview of the police activity for November 2015.

The Police Committee will schedule a meeting to meet with Chief King.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Habitat for Humanity Subdivision Plan: Mr. Chip Huston, Executive Director, signed a plan extension for the review of the Habitat for Humanity Subdivision until January 4, 2016.

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130 Prospect Avenue Subdivision Approval: Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Prosser seconded to approve the 130 Prospect Avenue Subdivision Plan with the conditions as listed on the Borough Engineer's letter dated November 17, 2015.

Motion Passed

Reminder: January 4, 2016 – Borough's Reorganizational Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

Public Safety Committee: Mr. Prosser asked if Borough Council wanted to change the members of the Public Safety Committee. Mr. Ranieri volunteered to be a member and Vice President Turkington offered to resign from the Committee effective January 2016.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon B Nesbitt

Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary