# WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL

# **November 1, 2017**

The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday, November 1, 2017, in the West Grove Borough Municipal Building. The President, Mr. Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mr. Mark Johnson, President

Mr. David Prosser, Vice President

Mr. Christopher Freese

Mr. Brinis Miller Mr. Michael Ranieri Mr. Clyde Jacobs

Mr. Richard Turkington Mayor Stephen Black

Mr. Gregory McCummings, Secretary

## **MINUTES:**

**October 4, 2017:** Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to approve the minutes of the October 4, 2017 Borough Council Meeting.

**Motion Passed** 

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT:**

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

**Motion Passed** 

## **TRANSFERS:**

Mr. Ranieri moved and Mr. Miller seconded to approve the November transfers.

**Motion Passed** 

## **BILLS:**

Mr. Prosser moved and Mr. Turkington seconded to approve the Octobers bills.

Motion Passed

## **VISITORS:**

• Chief John Chambers and Matt Wood attended the meeting and presented the Act 172 Volunteer Firefighters Tax Relief program. Act 172 allows municipalities to offer up to a 20% credit on their property taxes. The program is designed to encourage volunteering for public safety programs such as the West Grove Fire Company. Individuals must be active members of the fire company which will be monitored and communicated to the Borough. Active member status is based upon the percentage of calls that are made, attending 6 meetings and 16 hours of

training per year. Currently there are 7 active members of West Grove Fire Company that own property in the Borough.

• Mr. Turkington moved and Mr. Freese seconded to approve advertising the ordinance to the public.

Motion Passed

# **FINANCE:**

- 2018 Budget was presented for additional discussion
- Mr. Turkington motioned and Mr. Ranieri seconded to approve the tentative adoption of the 2018 budget.

Motion Passed

 Mr. Turkington motioned and Mr. Ranieri seconded to approve the advertising of the 2018 budget.

**Motion Passed** 

# **ZOINING:**

- The following appointments to the Zoning Hearing Board were requested by President Johnson:
  - o Donna Pilson for the term of 3 years
  - o Janet Paterson for the term of 2 years
  - o Joseph Effinger for the term of 1 year
- Mr. Prosser motioned and Mr. Turkington seconded to approve the appointments to the Zoning Hearing Board.

Motion Passed

## **PUBLIC WORKS:**

## **PUBLIC SAFETY:**

# **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

- Gorman Driveway & Oakland and Evergreen turning radius is complete.
- The Resolution supporting a Citizens Commission for Legislative and Congressional Redistricting was brought back up for discussion.
- Mr. Turkington motioned and Mr. Prosser seconded to approve the resolution supporting Congressional Redistricting Reform.

**Motion Passed** 

## <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- Election Day Tuesday November 7<sup>th</sup>.
- Public Safety Commission Meeting Wednesday November 8<sup>th</sup>.
  - o 7:30PM @ New Garden Township Building

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,