WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL –Meeting Notes

December 2, 2020

The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday December 2, 2020. The meeting took place via Zoom Conference. The President, David Prosser called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. David Prosser, President

Mrs. Kristin Proto, Vice President

Mayor Stephen Black Mr. Bill Temme Mr. Fred Boyce Ms. Karen Beltran

Ms. Elizabeth Garduno

Mr. Gregory McCummings, Secretary

MINUTES:

November 4, 2020: Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Boyce seconded to approve the minutes of the November 4, 2020 Borough Council.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Boyce seconded to approve the November Financial Report.

Motion Passed

TRANSFERS:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Boyce seconded to approve the December Transfers.

Motion Passed

BILLS:

Ms. Temme made a motion and Mr. Boyce seconded to approve the November bills.

Motion Passed

VISITORS:

Molly Wood from Edgehill Avenue inquired about Quaker Alley becoming a private alley and what responsibility and liability Friends Meeting House would have with the road being private. Friends has interest in clarifying when the alley became private and who is responsible for maintenance. Friends would be more comfortable if the alley were public. Borough Council requested to Manager McCummings look into the minutes and to reach out to the Borough Solicitor regarding the liability.

Kathy Kirk joined the meeting later to further discuss the status of Quaker Alley.

FINANCE:

Manager McCummings updated Borough Council regarding the award of the 902 Recycling Grant from the PA DEP. Contact was made to us verbally of the grant award and approval to move forward with placing orders for the equipment.

1995 International Dump Truck was sold for \$6,500 on Municibid.

2021 Budget was presented for adoption following public advertisement of availability.

2021 General Fund:

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the 2021 General Fund Budget and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

2021 Water Fund:

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the 2021 Water Fund Budget and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

2021 Sewer Fund:

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the 2021 Sewer Fund Budget and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

2021 Street Lighting Fund:

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the 2021 Street Light Fund Budget and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

2021 Liquid Fuels Fund:

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the 2021 Liquid Fuels Fund Budget and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Resolution 2020-02

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt Tax Resolution 2020-02 and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Resolution 2020-03

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt Resolution 2020-03 appropriating specific

ZONING OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT:

No Comments

PUBLIC WORKS:

Welcome Avenue stormwater repair work was completed.

Sewer system average 190,000 gallons of effluent in September with lower than average rainfall totals. Collection system camera work is in process in the Borough. Once completed quotes will be gathered for repair work for the deficiencies identified.

Hydrant flushing has been completed.

Curbside leaf collection is continuing, and public works will be decorating downtown for the upcoming holidays.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Chief Simpson provided the update from the Regional Police Department. The next and final Public Safety Commission Meeting will be Thursday December 10th.

Discussion took place regarding the composition of the PSC from the participating communities. Chief Simpson and the PSC inquired about extending the duration of tenure 1 year for the PSC members. Mr. Temme supported the idea of extending the tenure as did Mayor Black.

Lieutenant Greenwalt is scheduled to attend the FBI National Academy in the first quarter of 2021.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE

Kristen Proto updated Council on the Comprehensive Plan project. Mapping and community asset mapping have been done and a community survey has been developed and is open until January 10th.

Tuesday December 8th will be a public meeting to solicit comments.

The survey is available through both Facebook and the Borough Website as well.

Please share the upcoming meeting and survey with your friends and neighbors.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Follow up from PECO regarding the repairs needed on Prospect Avenue and the municipal contact, Scott Neuman, indicated they would put patches in place for the winter until it can be reconstructed in the spring.

President Prosser inquired about the request from Liberty Circle for additional street lighting. We requested the Borough electrician provide a quote to them for the work which has been done with no response.

NEW BUSINESS

Tree lighting was discussed, and the thought is to request Santa Clause be brought around in a fire truck for children.

Manager McCummings floated the idea of having a socially distanced lunch for the crew and elected officials down at the maintenance garage which council agreed to.

CORRESPONDENCE:

No Provided

MAYORS COMMENTS:

Mayor Black is happy to see 2020 coming to an end and expressed his appreciation for everyone's hard work and dedication throughout a tough year and lets all hope 2021 is a better year. Happy holidays and Happy New Year to everyone.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

• Public Safety Commission Meeting – Thursday 12/10/2020 @ 7:30pm (ZOOM)

ADJOURNMENT:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Boyce seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:49p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory J. McCummings, Secretary