

## **WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL –Meeting Notes**

**April 5, 2023**

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The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday April 5, 2023. The meeting took place in the community room of the Municipal Building located at 117 Rosehill Avenue. 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  
Mr. Stephen Black, Mayor  
Ms. Lauren McDevitt  
Ms. Leandria Hall  
Mr. Bill Temme  
Mr. Fred Boyce  
Mr. Gregory McCummings, Secretary

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:** President Prosser announced an executive session took place from 7:19pm to 7:29pm to discuss personnel matters.

### **MINUTES:**

**March 1, 2023:** Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the minutes from March 1, 2023, and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

### **FINANCIAL REPORTS:**

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the financial reports from March 2023 and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

### **PAYROLL TRANSFERS:**

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the April payroll transfers and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

### **BILLS:**

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the payment of the March invoices and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

### **VISITORS:**

No visitors were scheduled to appear.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comments were recorded.

**FINANCE:**

Manager McCummings provided an update on the status of the Borough Investment Plan. Mr. McCummings and President Prosser met with representatives from Fulton Bank and determined that the CD Purchase Program with PLGIT was the best opportunity. Mr. McCummings indicated that new accounts had been established with PLGIT and reserve Money Market funds currently held in Fulton Bank will be moved over to PLGIT for investment. President Prosser indicated that he is currently seeing 4.9% on one year CD's and asked that we look at longer term investments to see what they offer.

**ZONING OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT:**

No comments were made regarding the code officials report.

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

The UV Upgrade project is behind schedule due to an incorrect control panel being installed. Hanover Engineering is working to correct the issue.

The LED Street Light Upgrade Project has been completed. Council Member Temme indicated that the lights on Chambers Way are brighter than he and the neighbors would like them to be. Mr. McCummings indicated he would contact the Borough electrician and work on having the light levels reduced.

Oakland Avenue is scheduled to have the final wearing course installed on Monday April 10, 2023. The road will be closed for the day and overnight and reopened early Tuesday morning.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

Acting Chief Joe Greenwalt provided an update on Regional Police operations and initiatives, including providing details on recent incidents that occurred in the Borough. The Sargent promotion process has been completed and the list of candidates will be provided to the Public Safety Commission for consideration on Thursday April 13, 2024.

**NEW BUSINESS**

The topic of banning Single use plastic bags was discussed further. The Borough solicitor confirmed there are no state statutes currently in place that would prohibit the Borough from moving forward with a ban on single use plastic bags. Mr. Temme indicated that he would like the Borough to do some further investigation into the impact this action would have on our local business. Further analysis and discussion on the topic are needed.

105 Woodland Avenue, commonly known as the Old Knitting Mill, is currently on the market for sale.

Girl Scout Troop 4492 will be power washing the playground equipment and painting the soccer goals and the fencing around the Tot Lot at Memorial Park on Sunday April 16, 2023.

The Park Master Plan RFP closed, and the following 3 proposals were received and discussed:

- Theukauf Design & Planning
- Engineering & Land Planning Associates, Inc.
- Laird Landscape Architecture and Land Planning

Following a discussion Vice President Proto recommended awarding the project to Engineering & Land Planning Associates, Inc. in the amount of the revised proposal amount of \$45,165.

Mr. Temme made a motion to award the Park Master Planning Project to Engineering & Land Planning Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$45,165 and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

**OLD BUSINESS:**

No discussion

**MAYORS COMMENTS:**

Spring has sprung, get out and enjoy it!

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**


- **Public Safety Commission Meeting** – Thursday April 13, 2023, at 7:00pm at the West Grove Borough Municipal Building.
- **Primary Election Day** – May 16, 2023, polls open from 7AM to 8PM

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mr. Temme made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15PM and Mr. Boyce seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Respectfully submitted,

  
Gregory J. McCummings, Secretary