

WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL –Meeting Notes

August 6, 2025

The General Business Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday August 6, 2025. The meeting took place in the community room of the Municipal Building located at 117 Rosehill Avenue. President David Prosser called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

- Mr. David Prosser, President
- Mrs. Kristin Proto, Vice President
- Mrs. Shelley Mix
- Mr. Matthew Glass
- Mr. Bill Temme
- Ms. Leandria Hall
- Mr. Andrew Toolan
- Mr. Gregory McCummings, Secretary

MINUTES:

July 2, 2025: Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the July 2, 2025, meeting minutes, and Mr. Glass seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Glass seconded to approve the July Financial Reports.

Motion Passed

BILLS:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Glass seconded approving the July bills, including Payroll Transfers.

Motion Passed

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Property owner Donald Klump expressed concern regarding recent stormwater events in and around his property. The Borough will meet with Mr. Klump to review his property and see if there are any obstructions in the system that may be causing problems.

Business owner Tony Huang inquired about the possibility of limiting the parking in front of the commercial building at 121 Rosehill Avenue. Currently the parking is limited to 2 hours, the same as other spaces in the downtown area.

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve 15-minute parking on the two public spaces in front of 121 Rosehill Avenue and Ms. Hall seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

FINANCE:

- Update to the Ford Utility Body was provided by Manager McCummings. The dealership we initially ordered the vehicle from is now in litigation with Ford Motor Company and General Motors. Ford Motor Company recommended that we do not issue payment to them and that we wait for the vehicle to be transferred to Tom Masano Ford. We are currently still in a waiting period.
- General Fund 90 Day CD Matured on 7/29/2025 yielding \$2,801 in net interest. Reinvested the same day for another 90 Day terms at a net rate of 4.40%.

ZONING OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT:

- 217 E. Evergreen Street – A deadline of Friday August 8, 2025, for action at the property, has been communicated with the lawyer. If there is no movement the Borough will begin to clean up the brush and debris and initiate a lien against the property.

PUBLIC WORKS:

- PennDOT's contractors fog sealed and reinstalled traffic lines on 841 through the Borough. The Borough has requested an update on when the crosswalks and other markings will be reinstalled.
- 2025 Paving in the Borough is scheduled to take place in September.
- Seal Coating or other solutions to address the cracking in the roads in West Meadows – Council Member Hall
 - The Borough will look at options, including rental of equipment.

CONSTRUCTION PROJECT UPDATES:

The following updates were provided for the two road construction projects in the Borough:

- Oakland Avenue:
 - Currently Oakland Avenue is complete. In the future the Borough would like to pave the intersection at Oakland and Rosehill. We attempted to have the contractor pave that for us, but they were not able to at the time.
- Prospect Avenue Sidewalk Extension:
 - We need to perform a "Quiet Claim" for a small portion of land at the beginning of West Meadow Drive.
 - **Resolution 2025-03** Authorization from Borough Council to move forward with acquiring the parcel in question.

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt Resolution 2025-03 and Mr. Glass seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

- PennDOT has given their approval for us to move forward with the project, excluding the parcel in question. Engineering is working with G&B Construction to organize starting times.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Chief Greenwalt provided a recap of the two National Night Out events that took place on Tuesday August 5, 2025 from 6-8pm. The events in Avondale and West Grove were both well attended and no issues were reported. Borough Council did bring up the lack of a dunk tank in West Grove. Chief Greenwalt provided Council with the 2nd quarter statistics for the Borough.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Zoning Revision Project Update:**
 - Still some clarification between Kevin and professional services
- **Park Master Planning Project Update:**
 - Chester County Municipal Park & Trail Improvement Grant - the grant must be utilized by 5/31/2027 and is designated for Memorial Park Phase I. – **Awarded \$100,000**
 - The Borough submitted a PA Statewide Gaming Fund Local Share Grant on 11/26/2024. **No Award**
 - Chester County Community Revitalization Project Grant submitted on March 20, 2025 – **Awarded \$425,000 on 7/23/2025**
 - 2026 Representative Houlihan Community Project Funding Grant submitted on 4/25/2025
 - The Borough submitted a Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) request through Senator Fetterman – **No Award**
- **Comprehensive Plan Update**
 - Official Map and Historic Commission/Resource Mapping

NEW BUSINESS:

Manager McCummings presented 3 quotes to pave the walking trail in Harmony Park. Public Works asked Council to consider the upgrade because of the amount of time and energy it takes to restore the track after any significant rainfall. Much of the rubber mulch gets washed out of the track during hard rains.

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the lowest responsible bid from R. Smith Paving in the amount of \$50,250 and Mr. Glass seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

MAYORS COMMENTS:

Mayor Black was unable to attend the meeting.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Public Safety Commission Meeting** – Thursday August 14, 2025, at 7:00pm at the West Grove Borough Municipal Building.
- **Labor Day** – Monday September 1, 2025
- **Avon Grove Homecoming Parade** – Saturday September 27, 2025
- **Fall Festival** – Saturday October 4, 2025

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Motion Passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:35PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Gregory J. McCummings, Secretary