

WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL –Meeting Notes

March 4, 2026

The General Business Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday March 4, 2026. The meeting took place in the community room of the Municipal Building located at 117 Rosehill Avenue. Vice President Kristin Proto called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mrs. Kristin Proto, Vice President
Mr. Stephen Black, Mayor
Mr. Matthew Glass
Mr. Bill Temme
Ms. Leandria Hall
Mrs. Carol Severance
Mrs. Shelley Mix
Mr. Gregory McCummings, Secretary

MINUTES:

February 4, 2026: Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the February 4, 2026, meeting minutes and Mr. Glass seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORTS:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Glass seconded to approve the February 4, 2026 Financial Reports.

Motion Passed

BILLS:

Mr. Temme made a motion and Mr. Glass seconded approving the February 2026 bills, including Payroll Transfers.

Motion Passed

PERSONS SCHEDULED TO APPEAR:

Kevin Myers, Senior Urban Planner for the Chester County Planning Commission, attended the meeting. Kevin provided Borough Council, and those in attendance, with an update on the Zoning amendment project. The Zoning amendments are in response to the recently updated Comprehensive Plan. Kevin provided a slide show breakdown of all the proposed Zoning amendments, including changes to the Borough Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance. Following the presentation and questions from Council Members and audience members the following motions were made:

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the Zoning Amendments to be referred for ACT 247 Review by the Chester County Planning Commission per the Municipal Planning Code. Mrs. Severance seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Mr. Temme made a motion to approve the Subdivision and Land Development Ordinance Amendments to be referred for ACT 247 Review by the Chester County Planning Commission per the Municipal Planning Code. Mr. Glass seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Resident Molly Wood inquired about the Borough instituting proactive regulations pertaining to Data Centers.

FINANCE:

One General Fund matured on 1/27/2026, funds were reinvested the same day for 90 Days with a net rate of 3.90%

ZONING OFFICER'S MONTHLY REPORT:

- 217 E. Evergreen Street –The solicitor for the family has reached out to the Borough solicitor, so we have some movement.
- 115 South Guernsey Road – The property was sold and the Borough is awaiting the funds that were placed in a lien on the property. The Borough's lien includes mowing of the property and past due water/sewer billing and total \$3,721.

PUBLIC WORKS:

Prospect Avenue Sidewalk Project

- The quiet claim has been resolved for the small parcel at the end of West Meadow Drive. We have submitted to PennDOT for the updated HOP Permit and expect to have it by March 11, if all goes well. We anticipate construction to begin this spring to complete the sidewalk extension project on Prospect Avenue.

Evergreen Street Water Main Project

- Prebid Meeting is scheduled for March 19, 2026.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

Chief Greenwalt provided an update on Police operations in the Borough.

OLD BUSINESS:

- **Zoning Revision Project Update:**
 - Formal presentation by Kevin Myers and Borough Council approval to submit for ACT 247 Review.
- **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 Houlahan Community Project Funding Grant submitted on 4/25/2025 – **Awarded \$850,000 on 2/9/2026**
- **Comprehensive Plan Update**
 - Official Map and Historic Commission/Resource Mapping

NEW BUSINESS:

The Promulgation page approving the adoption of the Emergency Operations Plan, required by Chester County, was presented for consideration.

Mr. Temme made a motion to adopt the Promulgation page as presented and Mr. Glass seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

Ordinance 2026-01 Parking Regulation Update (Front and side lawns) with exceptions added for parties was presented for consideration for public advertisement.

Mrs. Severance made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-01 for public advertisement and Mr. Temme seconded the motion.

Motion Passed

MAYORS' COMMENTS:

Mayor Black once again recognized the effort by Borough Public Works to keep the community safe during the second significant snow event of 2026.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Public Safety Commission Meeting** – Thursday March 12, 2026 @ 7PM – New Garden Township Municipal Building
- **Daylight Savings Time** – Sunday March 8, 2026 – set clocks ahead one hour at 2AM Sunday morning.
- **St. Patrick's Day** – Tuesday March 17, 2026
- **First Day of Spring** – Friday March 20, 2026
- **Annual Easter Egg Hunt** – Saturday March 21, 2026 @ Harmony Park

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Motion Passed

Meeting adjourned at 8:34PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gregory J. McCummings, Secretary