

# WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL

**MAY 4, 2005**

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The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday, May 4, 2005 in the West Grove Borough Municipal Building. The President, Richard S. Turkington, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Stephen B. Black, Mayor  
Mr. Richard S. Turkington, President  
Mrs. Barbara Wood, Vice President  
Mrs. Jill Callahan-Beiler  
Mr. Curtis Barr  
Mr. Chris Ferrier  
Mr. Mark Johnson  
Ms. Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary  
Mr. Timothy R. Nichols, Superintendent  
Chief Errol Galloway  
Glenn R. Diehl, Esq., Borough Solicitor

**MINUTES:**

**April 6, 2005:** Mr. Johnson moved to approve the minutes of the April 6, 2005 Borough Council meeting and was seconded by Mr. Barr as amended.

Motion Passed

**FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Mrs. Wood moved and Mrs. Callahan-Beiler seconded to approve the April Financial Report.

Motion Passed

**TRANSFERS:**

Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Ferrier seconded to approve the May transfers.

Motion Passed

**BILLS:**

Mr. Ferrier moved and Mr. Barr seconded to approve the May bills.

Motion Passed

**VISITORS:**

Gabe Neeld, Avon Grove Charter School teacher, along with several of his art students presented Borough Council with a proposed drawing for the Community Room wall. After the students met with Scott Steele, a local historian, the students, Avery Daddezio, Olivia Brinton, Chelsea Cirino, and Kelsey Waite developed their concept for the drawing. Borough Council approved the drawing and commended the students on their work.

**WEST GROVE BOROUGH PLANNING COMMISSION:**

The West Grove Borough Planning Commission recommended the appointment of David Beiler and George Swayne to their Commission. Mr. Barr moved and Mrs. Wood seconded to appoint Mr. Beiler and Mr. Swayne to the West Grove Borough Planning Commission.

Motion Passed

**PUBLIC WORKS:**

**AVON GROVE WILDCATS:** Mr. Nichols, Superintendent, informed Borough Council that he received requests from the Avon Grove Wildcats to move their shed to Memorial Park for equipment storage and from Avon Grove Lacrosse to permit them to leave the Coca Cola trailer at Harmony Park. Borough Council permitted both requests but wanted both groups to understand that the Borough does not take any responsibility if either unit would be vandalized.

**PUBLIC SAFETY:**

**Parking Ordinance Amendment:**

Chief Galloway recommended that Borough Council amend the parking ordinance by adding no parking on the north side of Locust Street, the section on East Harmony located behind Brandywine Apartments and a section on West Evergreen Street near Maple Avenue. Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Ferrier seconded to authorize the advertisement of the proposed no parking areas on Locust Street, East Harmony Road and West Evergreen Street.

Motion Passed

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Tax Parcel # 5-4-238, 115 Rosehill Avenue:**

After a lengthy discussion, Mrs. Callahan-Beiler moved and Mr. Barr seconded to authorize the purchase of 115 Rosehill Avenue (Tax Parcel #5-4-238) for a price not to exceed \$53,000. The Borough will make the offer to purchase the property.

Motion Passed

**LONDON GROVE TOWNSHIP – JOINT COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE:**

President Turkington updated Borough Council of an informational meeting with London Grove Township concerning a joint comprehensive plan update. He felt that it would be beneficial to the Borough by participating in the update and could include concerns such as traffic, park systems, water and sewer. Borough Council was in favor of participating but had concerns on the cost because we had recently updated our comprehensive plan. The Borough will contact Mr. Brown, Manager, to discuss the Borough's financial responsibilities to participate in the joint comprehensive plan update.

**ZONING ORDINANCE UPDATE:**

The Borough's Zoning Ordinance needs to be updated and Borough Council discussed the process to make these changes. Instead of using an outside consultant, it was recommended to set up a committee to prepare the updates with the Borough's

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consultants. The Borough will discuss this option with Mr. Lowry, Zoning Officer, to see if he would be able to participate in this process.

**CHESTER COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF BOROUGH'S DINNER:** Mayor Black announced that the CCAB dinner was a success and that the next meeting will be held on Thursday, September 29<sup>th</sup>, in Phoenixville and the Chester County Commissioner's will be the speakers. Mark your calendars.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Mrs. Johnson moved and Mr. Ferrier seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon B. Nesbitt  
Secretary