

WEST GROVE BOROUGH COUNCIL

OCTOBER 3, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the West Grove Borough Council was held on Wednesday, October 3, 2007 in the West Grove Borough Municipal Building. The President, Richard S. Turkington, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Mr. Richard S. Turkington, President
Mrs. Barbara Wood, Vice President
Mr. Mark Johnson
Mr. Chris Ferrier
Mr. Joe Colon
Mr. Curtis Barr
Mrs. Jill Callahan-Beiler
Mr. Chris Ferrier
Ms. Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary
Mr. Timothy R Nichols, Superintendent
Alan Novak, Esquire

MINUTES:

September 5, 2007: Mr. Ferrier moved to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2007 Borough Council Meeting and was seconded by Mrs. Wood.

Motion Passed

FINANCIAL REPORT:

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

Motion Passed

TRANSFERS:

Mrs. Callahan-Beiler moved and Mrs. Wood seconded to approve the October transfers.

Motion Passed

BILLS:

Mrs. Wood moved and Mr. Ferrier seconded to approve the October bills.

Motion Passed

VISITORS:

VERIZON FRANCHISE AGREEMENT:

Alan Novak, Esquire, discussed the proposed Verizon Franchise Agreement with Borough Council. After Mr. Novak gave an overview, Borough Council members asked him several questions and had a discussion about the agreement. Mr. Novak assured Borough Council that it was an agreement that is in the Borough's favor.

PERMISSION TO ADVERTISE ACCEPTANCE VERIZON FRANCHISE

AGREEMENT: Mr. Barr moved and Mr. Johnson seconded to advertise acceptance of the proposed Verizon Franchise Agreement.

Motion Passed

Mr. & Mrs. Murillo, 135 Rosehill Avenue: Mr. & Mrs. Murillo discussed their concerns with the sewer line located at their rental property on 135 Rosehill Avenue. It was their understanding that the sewer line was sagging because the Borough's contractor had used heavy equipment at the site and caused the problem. Tim Nichols, Superintendent, did further research to try to find the source of the problem. When he used his video camera on the sewer line he did not see where it was broken; only that there was a sag in the line for the grease to become trapped to cause the blockage. Mr. Nichols has seen this problem on other houses on Rosehill and felt it was a problem with the sewer line installation. After a lengthy discussion, it was decided that the Public Works Department will clean out the sewer line on a regular basis to prevent it from backing up. Mr. & Mrs. Murillo agreed to this solution that the line is cleaned out on a regular basis.

Marshall Malloy, Avon Grove Wildcats: Mr. Malloy requested that Borough Council permit the Avon Grove Wildcats to use temporary lighting in Harmony Park until Thanksgiving. The lighting will be turned off by 8:15 p.m. and will be used from Monday thru Saturday. The Avon Grove Wildcats distributed questionnaires to residents living on Harmony Road, North Guernsey Road, and West Evergreen Street to see if they had a problem with the temporary lighting in Harmony Park. The Borough received three signed questionnaires that opposed the lighting. After a discussion, Mr. Johnson moved and Mr. Colon seconded to permit the Avon Grove Wildcats to use temporary lighting until 8:15 p.m. in Harmony Park.

Motion Passed

FINANCE ISSUES:

2008 PROPOSED BUDGET: Borough Council received a copy of the 2008 proposed budget for their review.

PUBLIC SAFETY:

HALLOWEEN – TRICK OR TREAT: The Borough of West Grove will hold Trick or Treat on Wednesday, October 31st from 6 to 8 p.m. for children 12 years of old and younger.

HALLOWEEN – HOUSE DECORATING JUDGING: On October 30th at 7 p.m., several Council Members will be driving around judging the Halloween Decorations on Borough residences. Trophies will be given to the top three houses in the Borough.

NEW BUSINESS:

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT – INTERVIEW COMMITTEE:

Mayor Black, Chris Ferrier and Curtis Barr volunteered to be on the interview committee for the Administrative Assistant position. Barbara Wood will serve as an alternate if one of the committee members is unavailable.

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STORMWATER MANAGEMENT ORDINANCE REVIEW LETTER: Borough Council members requested that the Borough Engineer, Mr. Fry, attend the next meeting to discuss his review letter.

BENDER SUBDIVISION – PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT ORDINANCE NO. 2007-06: Mr. Johnson moved and Mrs. Wood seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-06, which accepts dedication of public road rights-of-way, easements for utilities and storm water facilities, and other rights for the section of Friends Drive laid out pursuant to the “Bender” subdivision plan and an easement for access between that Friends Drive section and certain properties to the south.

Motion Passed

ADJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Wood moved and Mr. Colon seconded to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon B. Nesbitt, Secretary