



**Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022**  
**Regular City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Oak Grove Council Chambers**

The Oak Grove City Council met in Regular Session on July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Oak Grove Council Chambers located at 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Road Oak Grove, Kentucky. Present for the meeting were: Mayor Theresa Jarvis, Council Member Janet Edwards, Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member Tim Johnson, Council Member Jackie Oliver, and Council Member Edward Cook. Also present for the meeting was City Attorney Mark Gilbert, Police Chief Dennis Cunningham and Deputy City Clerk Lisa Beckman. There were approximately 5 individuals present for the meeting.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Theresa Jarvis called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

**INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pastor Daniel Herbster led those present in the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

**OPEN SESSION**

No one signed in for open session

**MAYOR'S REMARKS/DEPT HEAD REPORTS**

Mayor Theresa Jarvis emailed council about the Governor's local Issues Conference that is coming up. The mayor stated that if interested, please respond by the third week of July, ideally by July 25<sup>th</sup> for sure to make sure the city gets the reduced rate which only applies if notified by July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2022. This conference is on the 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> of August 2022. More information will be coming out in the next couple weeks.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Member Janet Edwards, Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member Tim Johnson, Council Member Jackie Oliver, and Council Member Edward Cook were in attendance. A quorum was present.

**APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

Mayor Theresa Jarvis asked City Council to make a motion to approve the minutes from the regular council meeting on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022. Council Member Jean Leavell made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Tim Johnson seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

N/A

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Bruce Roberts** – Fire Marshall for the State of Kentucky, Deputy Director of the Fire Commission

**Jeremy Rodgers** – Chief of the **Olive Hill Kentucky** Fire Department, Director of Operations of the Fire Commission.

Mr. Bruce Roberts who is the Fire Marshall, Deputy Director of Fire Commission for the State of Kentucky introduced himself to the council. He said that he preferred coming here personally to answer the questions that council gave him prior to the meeting. He said he brought Mr. Jeremy Rodgers to this meeting because Jeremy is the Chief of a volunteer fire department like the City of Oak Grove and that he has done a lot of work that was relative to the council questions that were submitted to him. Mayor Jarvis asked Jeremy what city he was from, and Jeremy stated that he was from Olive Hill Kentucky. Jeremy gave a short history of his career to the Council. He said that he believes Oak Grove to be in the same position he was in a year ago with his fire department. Jeremy said that the ability to get volunteers is getting harder due to people working 5-7 days a week, longer working hours for some, and the work ethics of young adults not meeting the same standards as previous generations. Jeremy spoke of his experiences obtaining volunteers and speaking of some of the solutions that worked for his city. City Council continued to ask questions and Jeremy provided a response to each one. Jeremy passed out his business card to each council member and invited them to contact him with any further questions, that he would be glad to help if he can. Mayor Jarvis and the council members all thanked these two gentlemen for coming to the meeting. Mayor Jarvis also invited Mr. Roberts and Mr. Rodgers to visit our fire department. Mayor Jarvis stated that our fire department is top notch and believes they would enjoy a visit.

## **2022-XX Ordinance Repealing Ordinance 2021-01 Establishing Non-Elected Offices**

Council Member Janet Edwards asked City Attorney Mark Gilbert to read the ordinance out loud. After the reading of the ordinance, and after some discussion, it was decided to bring this ordinance to the next city council meeting for a second reading. No roll call vote required.

## **Resolution for the CWP Grant**

Mayor Jarvis stated that they needed to get this done so that it can be submitted to the State to receive the funds. No discussion was held, Council Member Tim Johnson made the motion to approve the resolution. Council Member Jackie Oliver seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried.

## **Storm Shelter**

Mayor Jarvis started discussing the Storm Shelter for the City of Oak Grove. Mayor Jarvis said that a decision will have to be made tonight due to the deadline. Discussion was held. Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion that this shelter should be located at Wade's Way Park, in Oak Grove KY. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried.

## **LEGISLATIVE BRANCH**

Mayor Jarvis asked council if anyone had anything to discuss and Council Member Jean Leavell said that they need to update the city paid Holidays, to include Juneteenth (June 19<sup>th</sup>) as a Federal Holiday and will need to be adopted. Mayor Jarvis stated that they are working on the handbook and that it was a long process. Council member Edward Cook brought up that he seen a notice in the paper of a hearing regarding zoning to be held on July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022. Mayor Jarvis said that there is a meeting coming up and that Marty is taking care of that. Mayor Jarvis told Council Member Edward Cook that if he has any

questions about that hearing to contact Marty. Council Member Jean Leavell then asked the Mayor if she had heard from Tom Britton and the Mayor said that he called last week. Council Member Isaiah Spencer mentioned a conference in Owensboro, the 2022 KLC and Expo in Owensboro KY and that it was in September 2022. Mayor Jarvis asked if he was interested in going and if so that he will need to send Lorelynn an email so that she can look it up and talk to him about that. Council Member Janet Edwards asked a question for a resident in the audience if it would be possible to have the Code Board Members at the Committee of the Whole Meeting on Thursday July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022, to discuss the ordinances. City Attorney Mark Gilbert stated that if all code members attended, the meeting would become a quorum of the CEB and would not be allowed to discuss issues at the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** (KRS 61.810)

Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to go into Executive Session per KRS 61.810 (1)(f) Employee Personnel. Council Member Jackie Oliver seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried.

No action was taken.

Council Member Tim Johnson made a motion to return to regular session. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:37pm.

**PREPARED BY:**

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Lisa Beckman, Deputy City Clerk

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**APPROVED:**

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Theresa Jarvis, Mayor

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DATE

**ATTEST:**

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*/s/*  
Lorelynn Fisher, City Clerk

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**\*\*Minutes were approved at the August 2, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting. Original signed document is available at City Hall\*\***