



Thursday, April 13th, 2023
Volunteer Fire Department Sub-Committee Regular Meeting Minutes at 6:00pm
In the Oak Grove Council Chambers

The Oak Grove Volunteer Fire Department Sub-Committee met in Regular session on Thursday, April 13th, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. in the Oak Grove City Council Chambers located at 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Rd Oak Grove, Kentucky. Attending the meeting were: Chairman/Committee Member John Campbell, Committee Member Isaiah Spencer, and Committee Member Edward Cook. Also attending were the Oak Grove Finance Director, Miss Bobbie Crawford, Chief Dennis Cunningham - Oak Grove Police Department, Chief Bill Johnson - Oak Grove Fire Department and Lisa L Beckman, Deputy City Clerk. There were no citizens present.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chairman/Committee Member John Campbell.

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

N/A

ROLL CALL

Chairman/Committee Member John Campbell, Committee Member Isaiah Spencer and Committee Member Edward Cook were present. A quorum was present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chair/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer made a motion to approve the February 3rd, 2023, Special Volunteer Fire Department Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes. It was seconded by Committee Member Edward Cook. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried.

AGENDA

Volunteer Fire Department Sub-Committee to discuss various matters relating to the department to include personnel, numbers for a paid department, contract between Oak Grove and Hopkinsville, draft report to city council. Chair/Committee Member John Campbell started the meeting by saying that he believes that everything is leaning toward a paid full-time Fire Department, which he agrees with, and that the draft from Hopkinsville would be drastically different due to their numbers having been based on big items (fire trucks, etc.). The Committee went on to discuss personnel. Questions arose about the number of lieutenants and captains for a full-time paid fire department, along with a numbers draft that our Finance Director Bobbie Crawford explained, based on a forty (40) hour work week to include a Lieutenant and a Captain on the payroll. Bobbie Crawford suggested that it would be better to review this after the budget meetings, as she would have building blocks with the knowledge that comes from that meeting and would better serve the purpose here. Committee member Edward Cook suggested that all the possible grants/monies should be added up to help with the overall decision on this issue. With the Fire Department remodeling and so forth, the budget will need to be reviewed first and the

Committee agreed. Finance Director Bobbie Crawford stated that she would love to create a five (5) year **Capital Improvement Plan** with Council. Finance Director, Bobbie Crawford included a couple of drafts that she discussed with the Committee that are to be filed with these minutes.

ADJOURNMENT

Committee member Isaiah Spencer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Committee member Edward Cook seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all in favor; the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:05pm.

PREPARED BY:

Lisa Beckman, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVED:

_____/s/_____
John Campbell, Chairman/Committee member

DATE

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Lisa L Beckman, Deputy City Clerk

DATE

****Minutes were approved at the July 13, 2023, Regular Fire Committee Meeting. Original signed document is available at City Hall****