



**Tuesday, October 17, 2023
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Oak Grove Council Chambers**

The Oak Grove City Council on October 17, 2023, 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 Jacqueline Oliver, Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member Richard Baker, Council Member John Campbell, Council Member Janet Edwards, and Council Member Edward Cook. Also present for the meeting were City Attorney Mark Gilbert, Police Chief Dennis Cunningham, Finance Director Bobbie Crawford, Public Works Director Brian Ahart, and City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher. There were approximately 1 individual(s) present at the meeting.

Mayor Jacqueline Oliver called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

OPENING CEREMONIES

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

OPEN FORUM

No participation

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member Richard Baker, Council Member John Campbell, Council Member Janet Edwards, and Council Member Edward Cook were present. A quorum of the city council was present.

REVIEW OF MINUTES

Mayor Jacqueline Oliver asked the city council to make a motion to approve the minutes from the regular city council meeting on October 3, 2023. Council Member Jean Leavell made a motion to approve the minutes. Council Member Isaiah Spencer seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA

N/A

CONSENT CALENDAR

N/A

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

Finance Director Bobbie Crawford presented the city council with the monthly financials.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 2023-XX An Ordinance of voluntary annexation of approximately .36 acres into the City of Oak Grove, Kentucky-2nd reading: Council Member Jean Leavell asked City Attorney Mark Gilbert to read the ordinance. Gilbert read the ordinance publicly. Council Member Jean Leavell made a motion to approve the ordinance. Council Member Isaiah Spencer seconded the motion. Discussion was held regarding the Whereas Clause stating the wrong location of the property. Gilbert stated he would fix this. Roll call vote was as follows: Council Member Edward Cook-yes; Council Member John Campbell-yes; Council Member Janet Edwards-yes; Council Member Isaiah Spencer-yes; Council Member Richard Baker-yes; Council Member Jean Leavell-yes; the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Ordinance No. 2023-XX An Ordinance by the City of Oak Grove, Kentucky Establishing Incentives for Economic Development-1st reading/Discussion: Mayor Oliver recommended that this ordinance be moved to the Committee of the Whole. Council Member Jean Leavell so moved the recommendation to move this to the Committee of the Whole. Council Member John Campbell seconded the motion. No discussion was held. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.
2. Approval of bid for paving projects: Discussion was held. Council Member John Campbell made a motion to send this out for bidding with the idea that some of the roads may need to be grounded and the addition of Segler Drive to the list. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor excluding Council Member Jean Leavell who abstained; the motion passed.
3. Installation of a flagpole at the Oak Grove Community Center-Discussion: Mayor Oliver announced that a flagpole was donated, and the installment of the pole was postponed due to the state widening project. Council Member Janet Edwards stated that she loves the idea of installing a flagpole at the center but believes it should be installed closer to the center rather than the hill for electrical concerns.
4. Emergency Action Plan: Discussion was held. Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to move this to the Committee of the Whole. Council Member Jean Leavell seconded the motion. There was no discussion. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.

LEGISLATIVE BODY MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Discussion of the Police Department-Manpower, hiring, and shift adjustments: Police Chief Dennis Cunningham stated that the department was down four officers. They are in the process of hiring. There are three candidates, and the Chief asked the city council who would like to sit in on the interview board and Council Members Janet Edwards, John Campbell, and Isaiah Spencer volunteered.

Various other topics were discussed such as the food bank, voting at the Community Center, and flags on 41-A.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 61.810

N/A

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next regular scheduled meeting is set for November 7, 2023

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member John Campbell seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:48 p.m.

APPROVED:

Jacqueline Oliver, Mayor
City of Oak Grove

DATE

ATTEST:

Lorelynn Fisher, CMC
City Clerk
City of Oak Grove

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