



Tuesday, December 5, 2023
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Oak Grove Council Chambers

The Oak Grove City Council met on December 5, 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 Jean Leavell, Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Council Member Richard Baker, Council Member Janet Edwards, and Council Member Edward Cook. Council Member John Campbell was absent. Also present for the meeting were City Attorney Lee Wilson, Police Chief Dennis Cunningham, Public Works Director Brian Ahart, Field Operations Manager Brandy Moore, and City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher. There were approximately 4 individuals present at the meeting.

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

OPENING CEREMONIES

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

OPEN FORUM

No participation

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Council Member Richard Baker, Council Member Janet Edwards, and Council Member Edward Cook were present. Council Member John Campbell was absent. 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 November 21, 2023. Council Member Richard Baker 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

Chief Dennis Cunningham reported to the city council an update on personnel and provided insight on the flock camera systems.

Public Works Director Brain Ahart reported to the city council that the city's water loss is around 10%. He also reported to the city council that Rogers Group will be repairing Good Hope on December 11, 2023.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Reappointment of Jim Hurst to the Oak Grove Ethics Board for a three-year term: Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to table indefinitely. Council Member Jean Leavell seconded the motion. Discussion was held. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.
2. Appointment of Tim Johnson to the Oak Grove Ethics Board for a three-year term: Council Member Jean Leavell made a motion to table this indefinitely until after the new year. Council Member Janet Edwards seconded the motion. No discussion was held. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.
3. Letters of interest for the following subcommittees: Goals and Objectives, Economic Development, and Steering: After discussion amongst the city council, it was decided that the following individuals will serve on the Steering Committee: Council Member Janet Edwards, Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member Edward Cook, Director Traci Cunningham, resident Roger Joiner, resident Shelly Hawkins, and resident Theresa Jarvis. After discussion amongst the city council, it was decided that the following individuals will serve on the Economic Development Committee: Council Member Janet Edwards, Council Member Richard Baker, Council Member Isaiah Spencer, Public Works Director Brian Ahart, and Director Traci Cunningham. The following individuals are currently serving on the Goals and Objectives Committee: Council Member Jean Leavell, Council Member John Campbell, and Council Member Richard Baker. Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to table the Goals and Objective Committee until the first meeting in January 2024. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. Discussion was held. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed. Council Member Janet Edwards made a motion to table the Economic Development Committee until the first meeting in January 2024. Council Member Jean Leavell seconded the motion. No discussion was held. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.

NEW BUSINESS

N/A

LEGISLATIVE BODY MEMBER COMMENTS

1. Community Service Officer Position: The city council along with Police Chief Dennis Cunningham discussed the pros and cons of implementing this position in the city.
2. Electronic Digital Water Meters (rates/fees): The city council along with Fields Operation Manager Brandy Moore briefly discussed the implementation of cellular meters in the city. Implementing these meters will allow residents to receive notifications regarding their water usage and water leaks at their residences if the resident chooses to opt into the program. Council Member Jean Leavell made a motion to move this item to the Committee of the Whole meeting in January 2024. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. No discussion was held. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION 61.810

N/A

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next regular scheduled meeting is set for December 19, 2023

Mayor Oliver announced the following events:

1ST annual Christmas decoration contest with the citizens of Oak Grove. Individuals are encouraged to nominate a residence in the city with the best Christmas decorations. Nominations can be sent to jackie.oliver@oakgroveky.org or ann.spencer@oakgroveky.org by December 15, 2023. **Correction: This is the second annual Christmas decoration contest within the City of Oak Grove.**

December 14, 2023: Santa will be at the Oak Grove Community Center. Children will be able to decorate a Christmas ornament for Santa's special tree.

December 15, 2023: Christmas in the Grove: Christmas Parade and Tree Lighting at Valor Hall at 5:00 pm

The city council also discussed the zoning committee meeting from November 30, 2023.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Isaiah Spencer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Edward Cook seconded the motion. A voice vote was taken with all members present in favor; the motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 7:00 p.m.

APPROVED:

 /s/
Jacqueline Oliver, Mayor
City of Oak Grove

 12.21.23
DATE

ATTEST:

 /s/
Lorelynn Fisher, CMC
City Clerk
City of Oak Grove

 12.21.23
DATE

****Minutes were approved at the December 19, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting. The original signed document is available at City Hall****