



Thursday, October 3, 2024
Regular Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes
Oak Grove Council Chambers

The Oak Grove Committee of the Whole convened in regular session on October 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the Oak Grove City Council Chambers at 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Rd., Oak Grove, Kentucky. In attendance were Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer; Committee Members Jean Leavell, Richard Baker, Edward Cook, and John Campbell; City Attorney Lee Wilson; Police Chief Dennis Cunningham; Public Works Director Brian Ahart; Community Center Director Melissa Lynch; Finance Director Matt Egbert; City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher; and approximately one other attendee.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Isaiah Spencer called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer, Committee Members Jean Leavell, Richard Baker, Edward Cook, and John Campbell were in attendance, constituting a quorum. Committee Member Janet Edwards was absent.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Committee Member John Campbell moved to approve the September 5, 2024, Committee of the Whole minutes. Committee Member Edward Cook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote.

AGENDA

1. Playground Grant Presentation:

- Bryan Noel from Gametime presented three playground equipment options for Wades Way Park to the committee via Zoom. Committee Member John Campbell moved to select option 3 and prepare a Request for Proposal (RFP) for playgrounds, intending to include it on the agenda for the upcoming council meeting, alongside details on Purchase Pros. Committee Member Richard Baker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via a voice vote.

2. Proposed Ordinance 2024-XX: Establishing Regulations for the Oak Grove Community Center:

- The committee reviewed various ordinance sections covering rentals, fees, and policy regulations. They suggested adding a clause in the rental form stating that the deposit will be forfeited if an event exceeds the scheduled time. Additionally, they recommended including a statement in the rental contract indicating that any damages would result in the forfeiture of the deposit. If damages exceed the deposit amount, the renter will be responsible for the additional costs, not the City of Oak Grove or the Community Center. The committee agreed that this ordinance and the rental fees will take effect on January 1, 2025. Committee Member John Campbell moved to send this ordinance to the city council. Committee Member Edward Cook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote.

3. Proposed Ordinance 2024-XX: Repealing Ordinance 2019-06:

- No discussion was held. Committee Member John Campbell moved to send this ordinance to the city council. Committee Member Edward Cook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote.

4. Ordinance 2001-02: Establishing a Weight Limit for Good Hope Cemetery Road:

- Discussion was held. Committee Member John Campbell moved to the city council the repealing of Ordinance 2001-02. Committee Member Richard Baker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote.

5. Discussion of Airbnb:

- The committee noted that approximately 109 Airbnbs in the city are categorized as short-term rentals. These businesses currently do not pay licensing fees or taxes. The committee discussed possible enforcement actions the city could take. Wilson mentioned that he and Traci Cunningham were exploring a program related to Airbnbs. The committee agreed that the Tourism Room Tax Ordinance should be amended and requested that it be presented at the November 5th council meeting. Committee Member John Campbell moved to enter Executive Session per KRS 61.810(1)(c) for proposed or pending litigation. Committee Member Richard Baker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote. Committee Member John Campbell moved to return to open session. Council Member Richard Baker seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote. Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer stated that no action was taken in the Executive Session.

6. Cannabis:

- Discussion was held. Committee Member Edward Cook moved to have the resolution for the zoning text amendment sent to the city council. Committee Member John Campbell seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

- Committee Member John Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting. Committee Member Edward Cook seconded the motion, which passed unanimously via voice vote. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:15 p.m.

APPROVED:

Isaiah Spencer
Chairperson

DATE

ATTEST:

Lorelynn Fisher, MMC, CKMC,
City Clerk

DATE