



Tuesday, June 17, 2025
Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
Oak Grove Council Chambers

The Oak Grove City Council convened on June 17, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. The session took place at the Oak Grove Council Chambers, located at 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Road, Oak Grove, Kentucky. Mayor Jacqueline Oliver, along with Council Members Jean Leavell, Richard Baker, John Campbell, Isaiah Spencer, Janet Edwards, and Edward Cook were in attendance. City Attorney Lee Wilson, Police Chief Dennis Cunningham, Public Works Director Brian Ahart, and City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher were also present. There were approximately nine individuals present.

CALL TO ORDER

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

OPENING CEREMONIES

Pastor Nicholson led those in attendance in the Invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

OPEN FORUM

- John Carter addressed the mayor and city council, inviting them to a Meet and Greet scheduled for June 27, 2025, from 5 to 6pm at the Oak Grove Community Center. The goal of this gathering is to continue building awareness around Pursuing Life Center, invite community members to ask questions, and offer opportunities for those interested in volunteering.

ROLL CALL OF ATTENDANCE

Council Members Jean Leavell, Richard Baker, John Campbell, Isaiah Spencer, Janet Edwards, and Edward Cook were in attendance, constituting a quorum.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Jacqueline Oliver requested the minutes from the meeting on June 3, 2025, be approved. Council Member Isaiah Spencer moved to approve, with Council Member John Campbell seconding the motion. A voice vote was conducted, and the motion passed.

REPORT OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, & COMMITTEES

- Public Works Director Brian Ahart provided updates on several projects: the Carter/Grant waterline extension is now operational; the RFP for paving has been sent out; and construction on the hotel is expected to break ground within 1–2 weeks. He

also reported that the TC21 form he submitted some time ago has resulted in the city receiving a \$54,000 grant to pave Oak Tree. He plans to submit the form again for additional opportunities. Ahart also discussed traffic on Highway 115 and requested city council approval for a waterline extension from Carneal to 115. Council Member Richard Baker moved to approve the waterline extension from Carneal to 115 with Council Member Edward Cook seconding the motion. Discussion was held. Roll call vote was as follows: Council Members Cook, Campbell, Edwards, Baker, and Spencer voted in favor; Council Member Jean Leavell abstained from voting. The motion passed.

- Police Chief Dennis Cunningham gave an update on departmental personnel and expressed his satisfaction with the recent construction work completed on Stateline Road at the railroad crossing.
- Economic Development Committee Chairperson Janet Edwards provided an update on the June 11, 2025, meeting. She asked the city council whether they would like to renew memberships with both the Chambers of Commerce and the South Western Kentucky Economic Development organization. The committee recommended renewing the memberships and requested that Mayor Oliver contact both organizations to see if they could provide quarterly updates and attend EDC Committee meetings.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- N.A.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Proclamation for Juneteenth 2025:** Mayor Oliver read aloud said proclamation proclaiming June 19, 2025, as Juneteenth Day in the City of Oak Grove. Council Member Isaiah Spencer stated he would like to see the Oak Grove Steering Committee oversee a celebration for Juneteenth next year.

LEGISLATIVE BODY MEMBER COMMENTS

- **Discussion on Upgrading Ordinance 2008-08-Floodplain Management-Sponsored by Council Member Cook:** Council Member Cook stated he would like this ordinance to be reviewed and moved to send Ordinance 2008-08 and the Stormwater Ordinance to the Zoning Committee with Council Member Janet Edwards seconding. Discussion was held. A voice vote was conducted, and the motion passed. Mayor Oliver suggested that the city consult Alex VanPelt, KY NFIP Coordinator, and Alex Henry, TTL Engineer, for their expertise in reviewing the ordinances.
- Council Member Janet Edwards requested that her absence from meetings be excused for the next 30–60 days under Ordinance 2020-14(21), due to an upcoming surgery. All council members verbally expressed their agreement.
- Council Member Janet Edwards provided an update to the council and attendees regarding the Steering Committee's initiative, Template of Stars, which allows

individuals to check out stencils at the Oak Grove Community Center and spray stars in their yards from now until July 4, 2025.

- Council Member Janet Edwards also announced that flags will be placed on the hill at the Community Center on June 23, 2025, and invited anyone interested to come and help with the effort.
- Council Member Isaiah Spencer believes the city should build a better relationship with Fort Campbell.
- Council Member Jean Leavell advised that council was sent an email from an individual regarding a concern, and that the issue has since been resolved.

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- N.A.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Isaiah Spencer moved to adjourn the meeting, with Council Member John Campbell seconding the motion. A voice vote was conducted, and 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
City Clerk
City of Oak Grove

DATE