



Oak Grove Budget Committee
Special Session Meeting Minutes
Thursday April 30, 2026
Oak Grove Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Session of the Oak Grove Budget Committee was called to order by Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards at 9:30 a.m., in the Oak Grove Council Chambers located at 8505 Pembroke Oak Grove Road, Oak Grove, Kentucky.

ROLL CALL

The following members were present:

- Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards
- Vice Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer
- Committee Member John Campbell
- Finance Director Matt Egbert
- Police Chief Victor Lynch
- LT. Jeff Locklear
- Human Resources and Payroll Coordinator Ariel Young
- Public Works Director Brian Ahart
- Community Center Director Eric Hauser
- Fire Department Representative
- City Clerk Lorelynn Fisher

No citizens were present.

REVIEW OF MINUTES-DECEMBER 3, 2025

Motion: Committee Member John Campbell moved to approve the minutes

Second: Vice Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer

Vote: Voice vote

Results: Motion passed

AGENDA ITEMS

- 2026 Election of Chairperson
Motion: Vice Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer moved to elect Janet Edwards

Second: Committee Member John Campbell

Vote: Voice

Results: Motion passed

- **2026 Election of Vice Chairperson**

Motion: Committee Member John Campbell moved to elect Isaiah Spencer as Vice Chairperson

Second: Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards

Vote: Voice

Results: Motion passed

- **2025-2026 Budget Update-Current Fiscal Year & 2026-2027 Budget Review and Discussion**

➤ The General Fund budget for the upcoming fiscal year is projected to be tight.

Motion: Committee Member John Campbell moved to take an 8-minute break

Second: Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards

Vote: Voice

Results: Motion passed

BREAK-----

Motion: Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards moved to return to open session

Second: Committee Member John Campbell

Vote: Voice

Results: Motion passed

- Expenditure entries will be compiled in Tyler Technologies, per Director Egbert.
- Committee Member John Campbell inquired about the Local Deposit Franchise Tax; Director Egbert will research and provide clarification.
- Committee Member John Campbell also inquired about occupational taxes.
- There is minimal increase in Utility Franchise Fees. Pennyrile payments have ceased, resulting in a loss of associated revenue.
- Water Department revenue appears strong overall.
- Questions were raised regarding meters and billed parts; Director Egbert will investigate further.
- For Fiscal Year 2027, a 2% COLA is proposed, aligning with CPI.
- A property tax increase of 4% was proposed. Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards and Committee Member John Campbell considered 3.8% instead as a demonstration of good faith. Director Egbert noted the budget is already tight

and reducing the proposed tax increase would further strain finances and negatively impact projections.

- The primary options identified are to generate additional revenue or increase taxes.
- Committee Member John Campbell proposed adjustments to Capital Outlay, including removing \$65,000 allocated for City Hall repaving, as well as \$44,000 for Fire Department parking lot paving/resurfacing and \$72,000 for the front and rear apron. It was recommended that the Fire Department paving projects be deferred until completion of the 911 project and related parking lot improvements. These changes are intended to improve efficiency within the General Fund and reduce budget constraints. The reallocated funds would include \$100,000 toward long-term investments, leaving \$71,000 in the General Fund, and allocating \$10,000 to the Community Center budget for event supplies.
- Approval was granted for \$942,000 in grant funding to repave seven roads within the city.
- Vice Chairperson/Committee Member Isaiah Spencer emphasized the need to generate sufficient revenue to meet residents' expectations and support city growth and prosperity.
- The dental insurance of \$2,500 for the mayor line item will be removed due to clerical errors.
- The Community Center budget will include \$1,000 each for vehicle maintenance, motor expenses, fuel, and lubricants.
- A quote will be obtained for laptops for council members.
- Director Egbert is waiting on insurance prices for the upcoming year.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: Committee Member John Campbell moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards

Vote: Voice vote

Results: Motion passed

Adjournment: Approximately 11:30 a.m.

APPROVED:

_____/s/_____
Chairperson/Committee Member Janet Edwards

_____05.06.26_____
DATE

ATTEST:

_____/s/_____
Lorelynn Fisher, MMC, CKMC, City Clerk

_____05.06.26_____
DATE

***The minutes were approved during a Special Budget Meeting on May 6, 2026. The original signed document is available at City Hall.**