

Minutes of City Council Meeting July 7th, 2015

The Oak Grove Town Council met for their monthly meeting at the Town Hall. Patsy Carlton called meeting to order due to the absence of Mayor Josh Peden and Town Secretary Linda Wandrey filled in for Patsy Carlton to take minutes. Council members present were Alderwomen Jackie Powers, Leah Morgan and Sabrina Nance, Aldermen Eugene Reynolds and Gus Wandrey.

First order of business was the reading of last month's minutes. Alderwoman Leah Morgan made a motion to accept minutes and Alderwoman Jackie Powers seconded the motion.

All bills for the month were presented to the council members for approval. Alderwoman Sabrina Nance made a motion to accept them and Alderwoman Jackie Powers seconded the motion.

Mayor Josh Peden had contacted Jerry Carlton to cut and cleanup a large tree limb that had fallen in the city ballpark and Jerry Carlton agreed to cut and remove it for the wood. Before Jerry Carlton could cut and remove it someone cut and hauled off all of the wood. Jerry Carlton cleaned up the brush and the City paid Jerry Carlton for his labor.

Secretary Linda Wandrey discussed Police Chief Jason Hunt's retirement to get council approval. After much discussion on the cost for a year, Chief Jason Hunt said he would talk to Mr. Crow to see if it is mandatory for the city to pay his retirement.

Town of Oak Grove has 2 bids on the police cars but will run a notice for bids in the newspaper and accept the highest bid at next month's meeting. Alderwoman Leah Morgan made a motion to accept and Alderman Eugene Reynolds seconded the motion.

Terry Hutchinson had asked the city to help with the cost of a new scoreboard for the ball field. He stated that the score boards are \$5000 and he wants the city to donate \$1500 as he has the rest covered. After a lengthy discussion Alderwoman Leah Morgan made a motion that everyone think about it and we will decide at next months meeting. Alderwoman Jackie Powers seconded the motion.

Alderwoman Sabrina Nance brought up the problems of people parking in by the cook shack and their trash not being picked up. These problems are to be monitored and addressed

Policy 7 procedure for the storm siren was presented by Police Chief Jason Hunt. Alderwoman Jackie Powers made a motion to accept this procedure and Alderman Gus Wandrey seconded the motion.

Alderman Gus Wandrey presented pictures and text showing information on an outdoor playscape that the United Methodist Church in Harrison is willing to donate to the city if the Town Council approves dismantling it, and removing it along with the cost of restoring it. Alderman Gus Wandrey also passed around a picture of a NEW similar playscape for comparison pricing. Alderwoman Jackie Powers made a motion to go ahead and get this playscape and all were in favor of doing so.

There were no bids received on replacing the wiring at the fire station. Police Chief Jason Hunt stated that there were more issues that needed to be addressed.

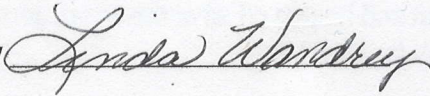
The remainder of the meeting was spent discussing and finalizing what was needed and who was going to do what at the upcoming Summer Fest on July 11th.

Alderman Eugene Reynolds made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Alderwoman Jackie Powers seconded the motion. All were in favor and Patsy Carlton closed the meeting.

Josh Peden – Mayor

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Linda Wandrey – Secretary

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