

## **Town of Oak Grove Council Minutes**

**May 6, 2015**

The Oak Grove Town Council met for their monthly meeting May 6th, 2015 at the Community Building . (the Town Hall is under construction) Mayor Josh Peden called the meeting to order. Council members present were Alderwomen Leah Morgan, Jackie Powers and Sabrina Nance and Aldermen Eugene Reynolds and Gus Wandrey. Patsy Carlton, Recorder, was not present. Mayor Peden asked Linda Wandrey, Town Secretary, to take the minutes.

The first order of business the waiving of reading last month's minutes until next month due to Pat Carlton's absence.

The second order of business was the swearing in of new council member Gus Wandrey.

All bills for the month were presented to council members and approved. Leah Morgan made a motion to pay the bills, Sabrina Nance seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Next order of business was Mayor Peden stating he had asked Linda Wandrey to write a letter of termination to Attorney Dawn Allen.

Next order of business was Mayor Josh Peden reading the ordinance appointing the City Attorney. Sabrina Nance made the motion to accept the ordinance, Jackie Powers seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

Mayor Josh Peden stated that Kent Crow has signed a contract as City Attorney. Mayor Peden stated that Mr. Crow has a copy of every ordinance that he will go by and that he is not charging the city for reading all of them as it is a learning experience for him. All council members in favor.

Jason Hunt, Chief of Police, stated that he was trying to get the inmates for one more day to work on tearing out the old floor in the Town Hall. Mayor Peden explained the condition of the floors and stated that he would like to get some volunteers to help. Jason Hunt and Gus Wandrey volunteered to contact Meeks Lumber and Lowes to see if they would donate any materials for this project.

Mayor Josh Peden stated that Mr. Crow is working with the courts and Cindy Collins at the courthouse says they have money to send as soon all particulars are settled.

Jason Hunt stated that Brian King and Ron McNair informed him of no more grant money being available at this time.

Mike McKelvey stated that the town website was almost complete. Website address is: townof oakgrove ark.com. He asked all council members for their email addresses if they wanted them posted on the site. Mike also stated that he would like pictures of points of interest in town to add to the website and he would encourage local businesses to make use of the website as well.



The mandatory testing of the storm siren once a month will be done at noon on the first Tuesday of each month. All council members in favor.

Sabrina Nance presented an 'ALDERMAN CHALLENGE' handout to the council members to look over with Mayor Josh Peden and all determined that a 'FAMILY DAY' on July 11<sup>th</sup> would work. Mayor Josh Peden asked for volunteers which are Mayor Josh Peden, of the council members Sabrina Nance, Jackie Powers and Gus Wandrey, along with Steve Allen, Jason Hunt, Mike McKelvey and Linda Wandrey. Also along these lines Mayor Peden asked the council to consider if they might be interested in taking over the Blue Eye 4<sup>th</sup> of July event.

Mayor Josh Peden stated that the case concerning the condemned property is still in the Carroll County courts and that Mr. Crow is aware of this and wants to make sure the city will be reimbursed for the cleanup costs.

Mayor Josh Peden asked the council members to ask around and see if there would be enough interest to have a Farmer's Market.

Mark Nance is to take over for Jason Hunt while he is on vacation.

Eugene Reynolds made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Leah Morgan seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Linda Wandrey (secretary)



Josh Peden, Mayor

