Town of Oak Grove, AR Town Council Meeting Minutes

May 10th, 2022

- Mayor Dwane Malotte called to order the regular meeting of the Oak Grove Town Council at 7:03pm at the Oak Grove Town Hall. All present asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- Council Members present Jayme Wambold, C. Elbert Standlee, Terry Hutchison, Gary Gray and Jackie Powers.
- Stephanie Shepherd read the minutes from the April 2022 meeting. Jackie Powers made motion to accept minutes, seconded by Jayme Wambold. All Agreed.
- Monthly Bills for April 2022 were presented. Motion made by Jayme Wambold to pay bills, seconded Terry Hutchison. All Agreed.
- Verified Financial Statement for March and April 2022 were presented to Council. Motion Made by Elbert Standlee to accept balance sheets as presented, seconded by Jamie Wambold, All Agreed.
- Mayor Malotte requested the Council consider pulling from the LOPFI CD as its renewal date draw close in order to replenish the LOPFI monthly payment account and to avoid any fees that might occur when drawn at later date. The increase of enrolled fire department members in LOPFI has raised the monthly payment. He suggests a draw of \$10,000.00 from the LOPFI CD that would be deposited into the LOPFI payment account. This would not be needed again for several years and would leave \$13585.75 to be invested back into the CD. Motion made by Gary Gray to proceed with transfer of funds, seconded by Terry Hutchison, All Agreed. Stephanie Shepherd to inquire with Anstaff bank about transfer.
- * Two applicants have applied for the open Water and Parks Superintendent position.

EXECTIVE SESSION called at 7:13pm for Council to review and discuss applicants' REGULAR session resumed at 7:35pm (Council member Jayme Wambold abstained from discussion and review of candidates)

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Storm Siren Tested at 7pm

- Fire chief Mike McKelvey informs Council of Storm Siren issues and the public notice he posts on the department Facebook page regarding when the storm siren will be sounded and what it means for the public.
- ❖ Pump test was completed 4/25/2022 in Green Forest. All trucks passed. There were two valves in need of replacement that occurred at testing.
- Council discussed with Fire chief the need to remove the old concession stand located by the ballpark. Fire department member to take care the building.
- Fire chief discussed with council the new picnic tables that are being stored at Fire station #2 and possible time to meet together to assemble and place the tables around park area.
- Chief McKelvey proposed to Council the possibility of a new town facility that could function as Fire Station, Water Department, and Town Hall that could be located on the property near the town ballpark. The sale of the 3 separate lots currently used have the potential to fund most or all of the needs for such a facility, especially with the added assistance of any grants.

EXECTIVE SESSION called at 7:51pm for Council to review and discuss applicants' REGULAR session resumed at 8:09pm (Council member Jayme Wambold abstained from discussion and review of candidates)

- * Mayor Dwane Malotte announced the Council's decision as they have decided to hire Craig Matzenbacher for the position of Water and Parks Superintendent. He is to work part time with Rodney Newman until the end of October 2022 paid an hourly rate until Rodney's retirement.
- * Motion made to adjourn meeting by Jayme Wambold, seconded by Terry Hutchison. All Agreed

Meeting Adjourned 8:10pm.

Dwane Malotte / MAYOR

Stephanie Shepherd / RECORDER