

Town of Oak Grove, AR
Town Council Meeting Minutes

December 6th, 2022

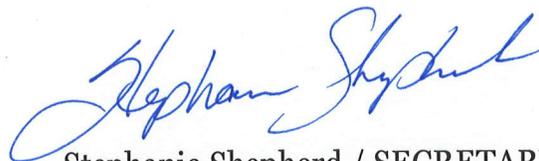
- ❖ Mayor Dwane Malotte called to order the regular meeting of the Oak Grove Town Council at 7:00pm at the Oak Grove Town Hall. All present asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ❖ Council Members present Jayme Wambold, Jackie Powers, Gary Gray, C. Elbert Standlee, and Terry Hutchison
- ❖ Stephanie Shepherd read the minutes from the November 2022 meeting. Jackie Powers made a motion to accept minutes as read, seconded by Jayme Wambold. All Agreed.
- ❖ Monthly Bills for November 2022 were presented. Motion made by Jayme Wambold to pay bills, seconded Elbert Standlee. All Agreed.
- ❖ Verified Financial Statement for October and November 2022 presented to Council. Gary Gray made a motion to approve statement as presented, seconded by Terry Hutchison. All Agreed.
- ❖ Mayor Malotte updated the Council with current progress with the Water Meter Project. Chelsea Weaver from NWAEDD provided the town with a legal advertisement that needs to be published in the newspaper once a week for two weeks. This advertisement is a Request for Qualifications for Engineering Services that is needed to comply with the grant and state requirements. The council reviewed and discussed the information sent from NWAEDD. A motion was made by Gary Gray to permit Chelsea Weaver to run ad, Seconded by Terry Hutchison. All Agreed.
- ❖ Craig Matzenbacher updated the Council with his progress towards licensing. He also stated the need for an electrician to repair a light in the well house that has become corroded and does not currently work. Mayor Malotte recommended contacting Gary Hobbs a local electrician who has done repairs for the town in the past.
- ❖ Robert Fairweather spoke before the council about security at the Playground as he had noticed recent vandalism on the walking track and surrounding buildings and bleachers.

FIRE DEPARTMENT – Storm Siren Tested at 7pm

- ❖ Fire Chief McKelvey requested the Council to consider hiring a welder to make wall brackets designed to hang the Christmas Light Decorations on when not in use. The current area used to store decorations is in an inadequate location. The town just invested in new LED light replacements, and he hopes the change in storage locations will prolong the use and prevent unnecessary damage.
- ❖ Chief McKelvey informed the council that at the start of the year the Fire Department will be providing a monthly report to them regarding the Auxiliary Funds and Spending.
- ❖ Chief McKelvey discussed with the council recent changes at the Corum court that would allow the Fire Department to have yearly Fire membership dues added to property owners tax bill. Currently the Fire department sends out yearly invoices with only 53% of dues actually collected. Gary gray made motion for Chief McKelvey to pursue, Seconded by Jackie Powers. All Agreed.
- ❖ Motion made to adjourn meeting by Jackie Powers, seconded by Terry Hutchison. All Agreed
- ❖ Meeting Adjourned 7:26pm.



Robert Fairweather / MAYOR



Stephanie Shepherd / SECRETARY