

**Town of Oak Grove, AR**  
**Town Council Meeting Minutes**  
**February 4, 2025**

- ❖ Recorder Stephanie Shepherd called to order the regular meeting of the Oak Grove Town Council at 7pm at the Oak Grove Town Hall. All presents asked to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ❖ Council Members present Gary Gray, Lajunta Plumlee, and Aaron Curtis.
- ❖ Terry Hutchison was present as a candidate for Council Position 5. Gary Gray made a motion of approval for Mr. Hutchison to fill the council seat. The motion was seconded by Lajunta Plumlee. Aaron Curtis agreed. Terry Hutchison to be sworn in by Mayor Fairweather at March Meeting.
- ❖ Stephanie Shepherd read the minutes from the January 2025 meeting. Motion made by Lajunta Plumlee to approve minutes as read, motion seconded by Aaron Curtis. All agreed.
- ❖ Preliminary Financial Statements for January 2025 presented. No bank statement has yet been received.
- ❖ Bills for January 2025 presented for Council approval. Aaron Curtis made a motion to approve, seconded by Gary Gray. All Agreed.

**Water Dept**

- ❖ Nothing to report.

**Fire Dept**

- ❖ Fire Chief McKelvey informed council that Tyson's has reimburse the fire department for the replacement cost of Fire equipment damaged in the January fire. They have provided a check in the amount of \$61,434.56 to cover all the estimates costs for replacement gear.
- ❖ The council was informed that the Christmas lights have been taken down and the fire department will have them gathered and stored soon.

**Public Comments**

- ❖ Next event held by the Parks Committee will be held on Friday, February 21, 2025, from 6-8pm. This event is "An Old-Fashioned Pie Supper". Everyone is encouraged to attend.
- ❖ Lajunta Plumlee requested the Council consider purchasing additional tables and chairs for the Community Building. The tables and chairs currently used are in good condition, but additional tables and chairs would be of great value during private and public events. Terry Hutchison suggests looking at the ones purchased from Sams club by Stephanie last time, his phone shows a 4 table and 32 chair set for around \$1500.00 and individual tables can be purchased as well. Stephanie Shepherd stated that the last tables and chairs were purchased in 2020 for around the same price. She estimated the last time the town spend \$1800-2000 for the current 6 8-foot-long tables and 48 folding chairs. Aaron Curtis made motion to purchase additional tables and chairs. The Motion was seconded by Gary Gray. All Agreed. Stephanie Shepherd agreed she would order the table/chair set and extra tables, if unable to stay below the estimated \$2000.00 she would inform the council prior to purchase.
- ❖ Gary Gray informed the council of possible funding available for towns wanting to develop public wastewater services. He was not sure of the details but thought that it was worth considering. Lajunta Plumlee volunteered to take the lead in gathering information regarding the grant funding and if this might be something the town would like to pursue. She would love to see the town have public sewer services and is excited to see what might be possible.
- ❖ Gary Gray informed the council of the report he received about a property in Oak Grove. This issue has already been reported to ADEQ.

Gary Gray made a motion to adjourn the meeting seconded by Aaron Curtis. All Agreed.  
Meeting Adjourned at 7:21 PM



Robert Fairweather / MAYOR



Stephanie Shepherd / RECORDER