

**PROCEEDINGS OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
MAY 12, 2020 – 9:00 A.M.**

The Town Council of Oak Grove met in regular session on Tuesday, May 12, 2020 at 9:00 A.M. Present for the meeting were Council Members Nevels, Gammill, Walker, Allen and Rye. Mayor Holland Presided.

Invocation was led by Chief Russell.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Gammill to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2020 council meeting and the May 5, 2020 special council meeting. The motion passed by general consent.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to approve the following new business to be added to the agenda: (A) hours for downtown courtyard; (B) reopening City Hall. The motion passed by general consent.

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the April 2020 financial statements and bills for payment. The motion passed by general consent.

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the budget revision no. 2 for fiscal year ending June 30, 2020. The motion passed by general consent.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to introduce an ordinance for the 2020- 2021 fiscal year budget and set a public hearing for June 9, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Holland stated that Superior Group of Companies had contacted him about extending their current lease of the industrial building for ten years and paying \$1,000 per month lease. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Nevels to approve the offer. Attorney Lancaster stated that he would look over the current lease agreement and see what changes needed to be made. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Holland stated that the town had been approved for a \$35,000 LGAP grant to purchase two trucks. He stated that one truck would be for the street department and one would be for the water department and that he had obtained a state contract quote for both vehicles for a total of \$45,866.26. Mayor Holland stated that the trucks would need to be ordered as soon as the signed LGAP contract was received in our office and would like approval to do so. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to authorize the Mayor to order the trucks upon receipt of the executed LGAP contract. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Holland expressed concern over individuals being in the downtown courtyard late at night and suggested establishing hours that individuals would be allowed to use the courtyard. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Gammill to set the hours for the courtyard the same as the town park which are Sunday thru Thursday from 6:00 a.m. until 9:00 p.m. and Friday and Saturday from 6:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

The Council discussed reopening City Hall offices to the public on May 18, 2020 and establishing guidelines to protect the office staff and the public from COVID-19. Council Member Allen suggested that whatever procedures the ladies in the office felt comfortable with should be followed. No action was required.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to adjourn at 9:22 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.

MELLISSA CORLEY, LCMC

ADAM T. HOLLAND, MAYOR