

**PROCEEDINGS OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019 – 5:00 P.M.**

The Town Council of Oak Grove met in regular session on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 5:00 P.M. Present for the meeting were Council Members Nevels, Gammill, Walker, Allen and Rye. Mayor Holland presided.

Invocation was led by Council Member Gammill.

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2019 council meeting. The motion passed by General Consent.

Mayor Holland stated he would like to strike item 11 from the agenda and add the following new business: (A) annual safety meeting; (B) amendment to annual leave policy; (C) executive session to discuss economic development. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Gammill to approve the changes and new business to the agenda. The motion passed by general consent.

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the October 2019 financial statements and bills for payment. The motion passed by general consent.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen and unanimously passed that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana (the “Governing Authority”), canvass the returns and declare the result of the election held in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana:

PROCES VERBAL AND PROCLAMATION OF THE CANVASS OF THE VOTES CAST AT THE SPECIAL ELECTION HELD IN THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, PARISH OF WEST CARROLL, STATE OF LOUISIANA, ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2019.

BE IT KNOWN AND REMEMBERED that on Tuesday, November 12, 2019 at 5:00 p.m., at its regular meeting place, Town of Oak Grove Council Chambers, 407 East Main Street, Oak Grove, Louisiana, the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana (the “governing Authority”), acting as the governing authority of the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana “the Town”, and being the authority ordering the special election held therein on Saturday, October 12, 2019, with a quorum being present, did examine the official certified tabulation of votes cast at the said election, and did examine and canvass the returns of said election, there having been submitted at said special election the following proposition to wit:

PROPOSITION No. 1

Shall the sale of beverages of alcoholic content containing not more than six percent alcohol by volume be permitted by package only and not for consumption on the premises in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana?

PROPOSITION No. 2

Shall the sale of beverages of alcoholic content containing not more than six percent alcohol by volume for consumption on the premises be permitted in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana?

PROPOSITION No. 3

Shall the sale of beverage alcohol containing one-half of one percent alcohol by volume and above for consumption on the premises be permitted in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana?

PROPOSITION No. 4

Shall the sale of beverages of alcoholic content containing one-half of one percent alcohol by volume and above by the package only and not for consumption on the premises be permitted in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana?

PROPOSITION No. 5

Shall the sale of beverages of high and low alcoholic content be permitted only on the premises of restaurant establishments which have been issued an "R" permit as defined by law in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana?

There was found by said count and canvass that the following votes had been cast at the said special election IN FAVOR Of and AGAINST, respectively, the propositions as hereinabove set forth, to-wit:

Proposition No. 1 – a total of 255 votes cast IN FAVOR of Proposition No. 1 and a total of 286 votes cast AGAINST the proposition, and that there was a majority of 31 votes cast AGAINST the Proposition hereinabove set forth;

Proposition No. 2 – a total of 231 votes cast IN FAVOR of Proposition No. 2 and 308 votes cast AGAINST the proposition, and that there was a majority of 77 votes cast AGAINST the Proposition hereinabove set forth;

Proposition No. 3 – a total of 229 votes cast IN FAVOR of Proposition No. 3 and 303 votes cast AGAINST the proposition, and that there was a majority of 74 votes cast AGAINST the Proposition hereinabove set forth;

Proposition No. 4 – a total of 270 votes cast IN FAVOR of Proposition No. 4 and 262 votes cast AGAINST the proposition, and that there was a majority of 8 votes cast IN FAVOR of the Proposition hereinabove set forth;

Proposition No. 5 – a total of 262 votes cast IN FAVOR of Proposition No. 5 and 275 votes cast AGAINST the proposition, and that there was a majority of 13 votes cast AGAINST the Proposition hereinabove set forth;

Therefore, the Governing Authority did declare and proclaim and does hereby declare and proclaim in open and public session that Proposition 4 hereinabove was duly passed whereas Propositions 1, 2, 3 and 5 were duly defeated by a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting at the said special election held in the Town of Oak Grove, State of Louisiana on Saturday, October 12, 2019.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED at Oak Grove, Louisiana, on this 12th day of November, 2019.

ADAM T. HOLLAND, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MELLISSA CORLEY, TOWN CLERK

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve hiring Angela Atkins as assistant water clerk. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Nevels to introduce the Louisiana Smoke-Free Air Ordinance and set a public hearing for the December meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Rye made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the annual contribution of \$500 to the West Carroll Chamber of Commerce for Shop Small Saturday. Voting in favor of the motion were Council Members Rye, Allen, Gammill and Walker. Council Member Nevels abstained. The motion carried.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to amend the travel reimbursement policy to allow the Mayor the authority to adjust the reimbursement rates for meals when necessary and allow the Mayor Pro-Temp to approve adjustments to the meal reimbursement rates of the Mayor when the Mayor is traveling alone. The motion passed unanimously.

Chief Russell gave his monthly report and during this time Brandon Lamkin with the Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control spoke about the alcohol permit process and offered assistance with that process.

Superintendent Colquette gave his monthly report.

Water Superintendent Lewis gave his monthly report.

Mayor Holland stated that the annual safety meeting would be on December 24th and that lunch would be provided. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Gammill to approve spending up to \$300 for lunch at the annual safety meeting.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to amend the annual leave policy to allow police officers to receive payment for no more than 40 hours of unused annual leave to be paid the second week of December. The motion passed unanimously.

At 5:43 p.m. Council Member Gammill made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to enter into executive session to discuss economic development. The motion passed unanimously.

At 5:58 p.m. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Gammill to reenter into regular session. The motion passed unanimously.

With no further business to discuss at 5:58 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

MELLISSA CORLEY, LCMC

ADAM T. HOLLAND, MAYOR