

**PROCEEDINGS OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
TUESDAY, MARCH 13, 2018 – 5:00 P.M.**

The Town Council of Oak Grove met in regular session on Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 5:00 P.M. Present for the meeting were Council Members Nevels, Rye, Walker, Haynes and Philley. Mayor Holland Presided.

Invocation was led by Council Member Haynes.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to approve the minutes of the February 20, 2018 council meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Haynes made a motion, seconded by Council Member Philley to approve the financials and the February 2018 bills for payment. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Holland stated that due to time restraints, the ordinance authorizing the lease of the Wells Lamont /Industrial Complex to Superior Uniform Group that was intended for introduction was being moved. Mayor Holland announced that at the April 10, 2018 regular council meeting an Ordinance will be introduced authorizing the lease of the Wells Lamont/Industrial Complex to Superior Uniform Group under the terms and conditions that are presently under negotiation. There will be a copy of the ordinance and the proposed lease available for inspection at the time it is introduced.

Mayor Holland stated that due to time restraints the ordinance authorizing the sale of the original water plant property that was intended for introduction was being moved. Mayor Holland announced that at the April 10, 2018 regular council meeting an Ordinance will be introduced authorizing the sale of the original water plant property. There will be a copy of the ordinance and the proposed lease available for inspection at the time it is introduced.

Mayor Holland opened bids for water meters that had been declared surplus property. One bid was received from Global Industrial Meter in the amount of \$1,120.00. Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Haynes to accept the bid from Global Industrial Meter. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Philley made a motion, seconded by Council Member Rye to adopt a resolution to transfer the grasshopper lawnmower (unit 41) from the cemetery account to the street account. The motion passed unanimously.

The need for better security at City Hall was discussed. Both Mayor Holland and Chief Russell stated that the lack of security in the building was an audit finding on the recent audit and that there is a need for better security. Mayor Holland stated that a contractor will be coming by to look at the building and give a quote and he will update the council.

Chief Russell gave his monthly report. Chief Russell stated that the police officers are in need of mobile hotspots in their units in order to more efficiently run license plates and gather information on traffic stops. He stated that the clerk had spoken to a representative from Verizon and was able to get two mobile hotspot devices at no charge to the town. He stated that if approved, the additional charge to the cell phone bill would be approximately eighty dollars to have unlimited wifi on those two devices. Council Member Walker made a motion, seconded by Council Member Haynes to approve two mobile hotspots for the police department. The motion passed unanimously.

Superintendent Colquette gave his monthly report.

The monthly water report was given and it was discussed that a smoke test is planned for the week of April 1st – 5th.

With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:27 P.M.

MELLISSA CORLEY, LCMC

ADAM T. HOLLAND, MAYOR