

**PROCEEDINGS OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE TOWN COUNCIL OF OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA  
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.**

The Town Council of Oak Grove met in regular session on Tuesday, September 9, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. Present for the meeting were Council Members Nevels, Allen, Holland and Phillips and Attorney Lancaster. Council Member Hayes was absent. Mayor Rollinson presided.

Invocation was led by Council Member Allen.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve the minutes of the August 12 2025 meeting. The motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve the August 2025 financials and bills for payment. The motion carried.

Chief Russell stated that the owner of the property at 102 East Main Street had sent an email saying that he would be at the meeting to discuss his property, so if possible, would the council hold off on discussing that property until later in the meeting to give the owner a chance to be there. Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to move the discussion of the CBO recommendation to condemn the property at 102 East Main Street to the end of the meeting. The motion carried.

Chief Russell gave an update on some of the properties that had previously been discussed as needing to be repaired or torn down. Letters had been sent to property owners letting them know that their property may be considered for condemnation. Chief Russell stated that one of the properties has now been torn down. He asked the council to look over the list of properties that were provided to them before and consider making a decision as to which properties to move forward with the condemnation process at the next meeting. No action was taken.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve Mayor Rollinson, Clerk Mellissa Corley, Mayor Pro Tem Todd Nevels and Police Clerk Heather Owens as authorized signers on a new bank account a Currency Bank. The motion carried.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve changing the back-up and on-call cell phones from Straight Talk to T-Mobile. The motion carried.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve changing the fuel account from Fuelman to Wex. The motion carried.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve the Assistant Chief's membership to the Reid Institute. The motion carried.

Chief Russell gave his monthly report to the council.

The council was presented a report from Chad Parker, CBO who had inspected the building at 102 East Main Street. The report stated that the building is unsafe for anyone to use or occupy and that his professional opinion is that the building should be condemned. Bradly Harris who is the property owner addressed the council and stated that he has invested time, money and labor into stabilizing and improving the building and he does not feel that it needs to be condemned. It was discussed that there are pieces of the building that are crumbling and falling onto the sidewalk, which is unsafe for anyone walking by. After a lengthy discussion, Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to allow Mr. Harris two months to come up with a plan to repair the building and report back to the council. The motion carried.

At 5:27 p.m. Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Holland to adjourn. The motion carried.

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MELLISSA CORLEY, LMMC

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HUBERT ROLLINSON, JR., MAYOR