PROCEEDINGS OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2026 – 5:00 P.M.

The Town Council of Oak Grove met in regular session on Tuesday, October 13, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. Present for the meeting were Council Members Russell, Ruffin, Allen, Holland, and Phillips. Mayor Rollinson presided.

Invocation was led by Council Member Holland.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Rollinson.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the minutes of the September 8, 2026, meeting and September 21, 2026, special meeting. The motion carried.

Council Member Ruffin made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve the September financial and bills for payment. The motion carried.

Linzi Jemerson asked the Town Clerk to speak on her behalf for approval of a Communications Board for the Town Park that will help children with autism or non-verbal children communicate. She has a foundation providing the board and the town will pay $910.00 for the framing of the board and installation. Council Member Holland, seconded by Council Member Allen, approved purchasing the board. The motion carried.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Russell to approve Whitny Benton's application for proposed changes to her property in the Historic District. The motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve the zoning board's recommendation to re-zone 601 East Main Street to commercial permanently. The motion carried.

Council Member Russell made a motion, seconded by Council Member Holland to adopt Ordinance Amending Chapter 8 of the Town's Code of Ordinances. The motion passed unanimously. The Ordinance was recorded in Ordinance Book No.4; page 36 as Ordinance No.635.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to adopt Budget Ordinance for Sales Tax and Street Fy 2026-2027. The motion passed unanimously. The Ordinance was recorded in Ordinance Book No.4; page 41 as Ordinance No 636.

Council Member Phillips made a motion, seconded by Council Member Holland to introduce Ordinance amending and supplementing Chapter 7 of the Town's Code of Ordinances, and set a public hearing for the November meeting. The motion carried. A public hearing was set for November 10, 2026, at 5 p.m. to hear public comment of the proposed Ordinance. A copy of the proposed Ordinance is available in the Clerk's office at Town Hall.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Russell to move James Philley from a Part time to Full-Time Police Officer. The motion carried.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Russell to accept Mudworks Paint and Drywall, LLC quote for the Police Chief and Asst. Clerk's closets in the amount of $4904.75. The motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Russell to approve the updated Travel Policy for the Town. The motion carried.

Council Member Russell made a motion, seconded by Council Member Holland to accept the Blue Cross Blue Shield Insurance Plan #1 with a $1500 Deductible. The motion carried.

Council Member Phillips made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve Swift Recreation's quote of $62,016.54 for the Courtyard Canopy. Council Member Holland asked the Superintendent if the anchors were there for the Christmas Tree. Superintendent Moody said he would make sure they were put back down. The motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to form a committee to review Employee Salaries. The committee consists of Mayor Rollinson, Council Member Holland, Council Member Russell, Resident Erin Gates, and Resident Blake Aaron.
The motion carried.

With no further business to discuss at 5:33 P.M., Council Member Allen made the motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to adjourn. The motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer McCallie, Clerk

Hubert Rollinson Jr., Mayor