PROCEEDINGS OF MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE TOWN OF OAK GROVE, LOUISIANA TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024 – 5:00 P.M.

The Town Council of Oak Grove met in regular session on Tuesday, July 9, 2024 at 5:00 p.m. in the council chambers at City Hall. Present for the meeting were Council Members Nevels, Allen, Holland and Phillips. Council Member Walker was absent. Mayor Rollinson presided.

The invocation was led by Council Member Nevels.

Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2024 council meeting. The motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Nevels to approve adding the following new business to the agenda: (A) move DOTD and Mowing revenues from the General Fund to the Street Fund; (B) Discuss proposal for Council pay. The motion carried.

Council Member Nevels made a motion, seconded by Council Member Holland to approve the June 2024 financials and bills for payment. The motion carried.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to nominate Council Member Nevels as Mayor Pro-Tem for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. There were no other nominations. The motion passed unanimously.

Council Members and the Mayor discussed ideas for a proposed Ordinance that would address the clean-up and pick up limbs and trees cut on private property.

Chief Russell informed the council that one of the patrol vehicles had been involved in an accident that was the other driver's fault. He stated that the insurance company had made the decision to total the vehicle and that the Town could choose to take payment from the insurance company and allow them to come and get the vehicle or accept a lesser payment amount from the insurance company and keep the vehicle. Chief Russell stated that he had talked to the body shop and could get the vehicle repaired for less than the amount offered by the insurance company. Council Member Holland made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve keeping the vehicle and using the insurance money have it repaired. The motion carried.

Chief Russell gave his monthly report to the council. Chief Russell also informed the council that Officer Ebony Young had given her resignation and that applications were being accepted for that position.

Council Member Allen made a motion, seconded by Council Member Phillips to approve moving DOTD and mowing revenues from here forward from the General Account to the Street Account. The motion carried.

The Council discussed a proposal to increase Council Member and Mayor pay for the next term of office that would begin in July of 2026. Council Member Phillips made a motion, seconded by Council Member Allen to have an Ordinance with the proposed salaries drawn up for introduction at the next regular meeting. The motion carried.

At 5:21 p.m. Council Member Allen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Council Member Phillips. The motion carried.

MELLISSA CORLEY, LMMC

HUBERT ROLLINSON, JR., MAYOR