

**OAK GROVE COUNCIL  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
Monday, July 11, 2022**

The Regular Meeting of the Oak Grove City Council was called to order by Mayor Denno at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 11, 2022. Pledge of Allegiance was said, and roll call taken.

Present: Dan Denno, Mayor  
Weston Rolf, Council Member  
Mike Wylie, Council Member  
Paul Tradewell, Council Member  
John West, Council Member

Also Present: Loren Wickham, City Administrator  
Jessica Rieland, City Clerk

**1. PUBLIC FORUM**

Brady Carlson 20160 Poppy Street NW submitted a petition with an additional signature and requested that Poppy Street NW be added back to the assessment project because a majority of the residents along Poppy Street are in favor of paving the road.

Administrator Wickham confirmed that five of the nine residents on Poppy Street NW have signed the petition.

Scott Miller 19947 Poppy Street NW voiced support for the paving of Poppy Street NW and described the increase in traffic and the dust it creates.

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRADEWELL, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER WYLIE TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 22-099 ACCEPTING PETITION AND ORDERING FEASIBILITY REPORT AND RESOLUTION 22-100 ACCEPTING FEASIBILITY REPORT AND ORDERING THE IMPROVEMENT HEARING. All in favor.**

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Mayor Denno announced that Ron Braastad passed away. He noted that Ron was 87 and had lived in Oak Grove his entire life. Mayor Denno offered his condolences to the Braastad family and mentioned that Ron's funeral will be held on Wednesday at the Cedar Methodist Church at 5:00.

**3. SETTING OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROLF, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER WEST TO APPROVE THE REGULAR AGENDA. All in favor.**

**4. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING FOR JUNE 27, 2022**

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRADEWELL, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER WYLIE TO APPROVE THE WORK SESSION AND REGULAR MEETING MINUTES. All in favor.**

**5. CONSENT AGENDA**

*The Consent Agenda contains several items, which are acted upon by the Council in one motion. Upon request by any one Councilmember, City staff, or the public a consent agenda item may be removed and put on the regular agenda for discussion and consideration.*

- A. Claims and Accounts
- B. Resolution 22-094 IUP renewal for Justin Lubrant
- C. Resolution 22-095 IUP renewal for Shane Swedeen
- D. Resolution 22-096 appointing Election Judges
- E. Resolution 22-097 closing escrow accounts
- F. Resolution 22-098 Summarizing Administrator Performance Review

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER WEST, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER ROLF TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. All in favor.**

**7. PARKS**

Administrator Wickham noted that North Valley installed the base for the pickle ball court, and it has to set for 30 days before the surface is installed.

Council Member West inquired about the Veteran's Memorial project.  
Administrator Wickham replied that the Parks Commission is ready to engage a designer.  
Council Member West voiced interest in moving forward with the project.  
Administrator Wickham mentioned that he would bring a plan to the August 29<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**8. PLANNING DEPARTMENT**

Administrator Wickham noted that the July meeting has been canceled and the commission will meet again on August 18<sup>th</sup>.

Brad Johnson 3865 193<sup>rd</sup> Lane NW mentioned that the planning commission has discussed the new round cul de sacs that have been constructed in the city recently and requested that the design and setback requirements for cul de sacs be reviewed and amended.

Administrator Wickham replied that he would bring a revised cul de sac ordinance to the next planning commission meeting for them to consider.

**9. CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS**

A. Administrator Updates

Administrator Wickham mentioned that he received a draft of the Sheriff's contract for 2023. He noted that there is a 9.58% increase due to labor negotiations for union contracts. There is also an option to renew the contract for two years.

The council would like the Sheriff to present the contract.

Administrator Wickham noted that there will be a budget work session before the next meeting at 6:00. He mentioned that he has made application to Minnesota Rural Water for a \$250,000 loan for the 2022 assessment projects. He added that he will look for financing options for the remaining balance of the project.

Administrator Wickham mentioned that the AC at City Hall had to be repaired this week and will need to be replaced.

**6. MAYOR/COUNCIL REQUESTS/UPDATES**

Council Member Rolf inquired about the Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) draft ordinance.  
Administrator Wickham replied that the council requested a work session to discuss it further and suggested scheduling a special meeting for it. Another option would be to add it to the regular agenda.

The council agreed to add it to the August 29<sup>th</sup> agenda instead of scheduling a special meeting.

Brad Johnson 3865 193<sup>rd</sup> Lane NW mentioned that the planning commission is also in favor of moving forward with the ADU discussion.

Council Member Wylie mentioned that his neighbor, who is a movie producer, is interested in filming a scene in the council chambers.

Council Member West inquired about the Poppy Street project that is being done by St. Francis.  
Administrator Wickham replied that there was a preconstruction meeting last week that the city engineer attended and the project will begin in August and paving is scheduled for October.

***The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for Monday, July 25, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. and there will be a budget work session at 6:00 p.m.***

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER WYLIE, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER TRADEWELL TO ADJOURN. Motion carried 4-0. Council Member West opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jessica Rieland  
City Clerk