

**ENCHANTED OAKS, TEXAS**  
**REGULAR TOWN COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MINUTES - draft version, may**  
**change subject to Council Approval**

April 9, 2024

Mayor Natalie Onate called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

**PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS-** N/A

**AGENDA**

Mayor Natalie Onate called roll. Council members in attendance: Kim Cochran, Tim Johnson, Natalie Onate, Don Agold, Bill Grissom and Shelia Hermes (absent).

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Minutes from March 12, 2024, Regular Council Meeting
- B. Financial Reports for March 2024

Kim Cochran made a motion to approve as presented. Don Agold made a second. No further discussion. All in favor. **Motion Passed.**

**REPORTS – COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Anthony Katsoulas – Chief of Police – Chief Katsoulas submitted a report to council. Calls for service: 11.

Mowing Report – Brad Neighbor – Written report submitted to council. Mowed/cleared leaves from WMS; removed deadfall in ROWs; Mowed Police Department and surrounding areas cleared PD beds; mowed other areas throughout town; performed equipment maintenance. Mowing continues to be a challenge because of wet ground.

Steve Foster – Maintenance - Not present. Written Report submitted to council. Extended west boat ramp parking by adding & distributing gravel. Sprinkler repair at 4-way intersection, removed trash behind WMS with tractor.

Jeff Onate, Board of Adjustments/Building Permits – 2 garage to living conversions, one Road Use permit.

Jacqueline Huff – Ladies Club – Plans for Independence Day Celebrations are underway & some new exciting things are being planned. Parade will be July 6<sup>th</sup>. A Silent Auction will be held as a fundraiser and donations of gently used items would be much appreciated.

Kim Cochran - Maintenance of Building, Grounds – Garage door at PD has been repaired. Working with Steve on sump pump, gutters, and other maintenance items for Town Hall.

Tim Johnson – Parks / Boat Ramps – Soccer Net has been ordered.

Don Agold – Pool/Emergency Mgt./Trailer Parking – Pool: Pool cover removal scheduled for Monday May 6<sup>th</sup> at 1pm, giving the pool company 3 weeks to prepare the pool for service.

Trailer Parking: No report

Bill Grissom – Roads & Drainage – Plans underway to perform Spring chip seal.

Shelia Hermes - Waste Management Station (WMS) – Not present. Written note provided with a big Thanks to Steve for getting the sprinklers systems fixed to support planting.

## **REPORTS – ADMINISTRATION**

Damian Decell - Treasurer Activities– Closed books with Secretary. Noted that \$150k could be moved to investment account while still allowing cushion for operating expenses. Mayor to follow-up.

Maegan Mojica– City Secretary – Activities, Coordination – Not present

Mayor Reports of Contacts for prior month – Yearly insurance review including data breach coverage; Using part of administrative budget for move to Quick Books Online; Working with Brad to update fence ordinance for council vote in May. Once ordinance is in place, actions can be taken on fences that do not meet code; Mayor will be looking at our court processes & potential Court Clerk training for Maegan – so that we may continue to enforce code.

**ACTION ITEMS AND PUBLIC HEARINGS:** Items under this section are matters to be formally considered and decided by the Town Council. Discussions and deliberations are limited to the posted matter –

A. **Consider approval of Fiscal Year 2023 Audit.**

Not available, moved to May agenda.

B. **Consider Fiber Optic Installation**

NT Wireless discussed their process for installation of Fiber internet service. They requested a resident survey to determine demand, which would be followed by an engineering survey to determine design (buried cable, cable on poles, or a combination). Based on our existing internet service options and the town demographics, they did not feel grants are a possibility. Their company makes infrastructure investments, normally with long-term contracts to support. Mayor to follow-up on survey with NT Wireless.

C. **Consider adding entrance rumble strips on Enchanted Drive- Traffic Calming Program.**

Discussion of rumble strips – both integrated & “mats”. Council was not opposed to considering if the strips do not interfere with emergency vehicles, damage vehicles, or damage roads. Bill to follow-up and present recommendations and costs.

D. **Consider the annual July 4th Parade, and Fireworks for Memorial Day and July 4th.**

July 4<sup>th</sup> is a Thursday, the parade will be Saturday.

Fireworks proposed:

Memorial Day: May 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> noon to midnight; May 27<sup>th</sup> noon to 6 pm.

Independence Day: July 3 – 6<sup>th</sup>, noon to Midnight

Tim Johnson motioned to accept timeframes as proposed, Bill Grissom Seconded, all in Favor.

**Comments by Citizens & Guests-**

One quick question about helipad – which is used by ambulance service for medical transports.

**ADJOURN** – Don Agold made a motion to adjourn. Tim Johnson made a second. All in favor. 8:01 p.m.

Attest: Natalie Onate, Mayor

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