

# Town of Oak Valley

2211 Oak Valley Lane  
Corsicana, Texas 75110

April 11, 2023

## MINUTES

Workshop held from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Workshops are to discuss current events and brainstorming for the Town of Oak Valley not on the regular agenda. Meeting will be called to order early if the workshop ends before 6:00 p.m.

### In attendance

Mayor **Jarrett Greer**. Aldermen - **Jim Barrington, Dean Barclay, Amy Taylor, Norma Finnen, Bill Horton**. Secretary - **Kelli Burkey**

**Jarrett Greer** called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.  
**Jim Barrington** gave the invocation.

### Agenda

#### **Last Meeting:**

Minutes for March were reviewed and discussed. Motion made to accept March Minutes by **Jim Barrington** and seconded by **Norma Finnen**. Motion carried and approved by majority vote.

#### **Bills:**

Bills to be paid were discussed and reviewed as follows:  
Electronic debits for Corbet Water, Hudson Energy (both accounts) and Corsicana Glass repair expense for kitchen window.

New lawn service bid from Steve Robinson for \$250/month was discussed and reviewed by the board. No signature required to continue with this service with the new rate beginning on May 1, 2023 thru May 1, 2024. Motion made by **Jarrett Greer** and seconded by **Dean Barclay** to accept the new lawn care bid. All agreed to continue on a month-to-month basis.

Motion made to approve all bills as discussed by **Jim Barrington** and was seconded by **Norma Finnen**, carried and approved by majority vote.

**Financial Report:**

Board reviewed and discussed the Financial Statement as provided by **Kelli Burkey**. Motion was made to accept the Financial Report as reviewed and discussed by **Jim Barrington** and seconded by **Bill Horton**, carried and approved by majority vote.

Additional financial topics:

The City of Oak Valley is responsible for covering 5% of the \$350K drainage grant which is \$17,500. Recently, the city was required to take out a local ad requesting bids for the drainage work. Question came up if this city expense, \$1,100, could be applied to the 5%.

**Jarrett Greer** will follow-up with Grant Works.

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds that the city received in 2021 & 2022 for a total of \$9,900 was also discussed. We have until 2026 to do something with these funds. Annual reporting, due 4/30, is required to identify anything that has been spent to date and **Bill Horton** submitted this report on 4/5/23. To date, no ARP funds have been spent as there are limited ways to use these funds.

**Permits:**

Max Taylor presented a request for a building permit at 1245 Pin Oak Ln. This is an 1,188 SF addition to the existing barn. Motion was made to issue the Permit as submitted by **Bill Horton** and seconded by **Jim Barrington**, carried and approved by majority vote. \$25 fee collected.

Billie Ogdon will be moving in a mobile home across the street from Town Hall. A 911 address will need to be issued and coordinated with Osha Joles of Navarro County.

Additional Permit discussion:

There seems to be lots of building going on with no permits. **Jim Barrington** mentioned that several campers had also been moved in.

Currently, we do not have a way to enforce ordinances. Max Taylor mentioned that there is a list of Texas Process Servers which usually charge approximately \$85/citing. A possible option for ordinance violation notifications. We could also send out letters to some landowners that might encourage ordinance compliance. Ordinances also need to be reviewed and some possibly rewritten.

**Roads:**

Board discussed purchasing additional road patch materials. County Commissioner **David Brewer** has a dump trailer pulled by 1-ton that is easier to work out of. He can also get the crews scheduled. Motion was made to purchase ~12 yards of road material by **Dean Barclay** and seconded by **Norma Finnen**, carried and approved by majority vote.

**Building Rental:**

Seth Douglas has requested the building rental for April 15th. Kristin Horton will meet with him April 13th.

There is also a building rental request for May 26th by Blanca Goyan for a graduation party.

**Grant Updates:**

The grant is currently in the bidding phase. **Jarret Greer** will follow-up on how the bidding works and when it can be awarded after bids are received.

**Open Forum:**

N/A

Meeting adjourned at approx. 6:57 PM. Motion made by **Jim Barrington** and seconded by **Dean Barclay**.

Next meeting scheduled for May 9, 2023