CITY COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 13, 2026

MINUTES OF THE PLUM GROVE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR OPEN MEETING HELD ON THE 13TH OF OCTOBER, AT THE PLUM GROVE CITY HALL, 9485 PLUM GROVE ROAD, CLEVELAND, TEXAS 77327, IN THE CITY OF PLUM GROVE, COUNTY OF LIBERTY, STATE OF TEXAS AT 7:00 PM.

The Council met in a REGULAR session with the following council members present.

*Mary Arrendell-Mayor*

*Robert Sanchez*

*Froy Ortiz*

*Sarah Woodbury*

*Nicole Rose*

*Mildred Sowell*

*** CM denotes Council Member***

***AM denotes Audience Member***

1. Call Meeting to Order at 7:00 P.M.
2. Roll Call

***PRESENT-***

Mary Arrendell-Mayor
Robert Sanchez-CP1
Froy Ortiz-CP2/Mayor Pro Tem
Sarah Woodbury-CP3
Nicole Rose-CP4
Mildred Sowell-CP5

Melissa Pouncey-Secretary
Brandon Frazier-Chief of Police

***ABSENT-***

3. Pledge of Allegiance lead by Mayor Arrendell
4. Invocation lead by Mary Arrendell
5. **Public Comments-**
   **NO PUBLIC COMMENTS**
6. Motion to approve the following minutes;
   A. September 8, 2026 made by CM Sanchez, 2nd by CM Woodbury, passed unopposed.
   B. September 28, 2026 made by CM Sowell, 2nd by CM Woodbury, passed unopposed.
7. Motion to approve September 2026 financial report made by CM Sanchez, 2nd by Sowell, passed unopposed.
8. Motion to table Ordinance No 1013-2026A amending the city of Plum Grove, Texas Ordinance No 0929-2025A, which approved and adopted the 2025-2026 fiscal budget of the City of Plum Grove, by approving "Budget amendment 4"; providing for supplemental appropriation and transfer of certain funds; providing for severability; made by CM Sanchez, 2nd by CM Sowell, passed unopposed.
9. No Motion just discussion on the repairs and maintenance for the ceiling that the ac damaged at city hall due to lightning storm that the city would pay for the materials and Froy Ortiz would complete the work.
10. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 1013-2026B appointing Brian Stanley as Municipal judge for the city of Plum Grove made by CM Sanchez, 2nd by CM Woodbury, passed unopposed.

11. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 1013-2026C appointing Allen Goodwin as Municipal Court Associate Judge for the city of Plum Grove made by CM Sowell, 2nd by CM Ortiz, passed unopposed.
12. Motion to approve Ordinance No. 1013-2026D Authorizing participation by the Plum Grove Police Department in the United States immigration and customs enforcement Section 281(g) task force model program made by CM Sowell, 2nd by CM Rose, passed unopposed.
13. Motion to approve initiation of an Ordinance concerning commercial property clean up and maintenance requirements made by CM Ortiz, 2nd by CM Sowell, passed unopposed.
14. Motion to table the replat for O'Reilly's located in the ETJ at 79 County Road 51023 made by CM Ortiz, 2nd by CM Sowell, passed unopposed.
15. Motion to approve adding the Plum Grove Volunteer fire department to the deed for the property located at 7733 FM 1010 made by CM Ortiz, 2nd by CM Sowell, passed unopposed.
    **Discussion**- The mayor had the city secretary ask the city attorney whether the City could add the Fire Department to the deed, since the property was originally obtained through a grant. His answer was that the land and building could be placed in both parties' names. The Fire Department has maintained the building and grounds, carried the required insurance coverage, and paid the bills associated with the property for many years. No future mayor or city council should be able to hold the city's ownership of the property over the Fire Department's head or make decisions affecting the property without the Department's input and vote. The City should not be permitted to take out a loan against the property or sell the land and building without the Fire Department having a say on the matter. The only fair and reasonable way to move forward is for both the city and the Fire Department to be listed on the deed. This issue should have been addressed long ago. In addition, the Fire Department's absence from the deed limits its ability to pursue and receive future grants that could be used to improve or expand the facility. Joint ownership would not only recognize the Fire Department's long-standing contributions and financial commitments, but it would also create opportunities for future growth and development. The same naysayers who have opposed these efforts also claimed that this department would eventually be abandoned and that all members would move exclusively to the new department located in Colony Ridge. Those claims have been proven wrong time and time again. The Fire Department has continued to maintain the property, meet its obligations, and serve the community from this location. The facts clearly demonstrate the Department's commitment and dedication to this facility located within the city limits. Fear-based arguments and speculation should not determine the future of the property when the Department's actions have consistently shown otherwise. Moving forward, the city and the Fire Department need to work together as partners. Having both parties listed on the deed would help ensure fairness, protect the interests of both organizations, and prevent either party from acting unilaterally on matters affecting the property. Joint ownership would establish a cooperative relationship, provide greater opportunities for future grant funding, and ensure that decisions about the property are made together for the benefit of the entire community. It is a fair solution that recognizes the contributions and responsibilities of both parties and allows everyone to move forward in a positive and productive manner.
16. No motion to amend just discussion on the regular meeting schedule from once a month to twice a month and to schedule workshops to discuss important topics.
17. Receive reports, discuss, and provide input on reports from:
    A. the Plum Grove Police Department Report, Attached
    B. the Plum Grove Fire Department Report, Attached
    C. the Plum Grove Municipal Court, no report,
    D. Discussion of Local, County, and State Updates
    E. GLO Grant
    F. FEMA
        a. Hurricane Harvey
        b. May 3, 2024, flooding
18. Motion to Adjourn made by CM Sanchez, 2nd by CM Woodbury, passed unopposed.

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# PLUM GROVE
# Police Department

## ACTIVITY REPORT

**To:** The City Council & Mayor, Plum Grove
**Re:** Monthly Updates and Activities (August 2026)
**Date:** September 08, 2026

### ENFORCEMENT & ACTIVITY STATISTICS *(may not be exact)*

**Citations Issued:**

- **72** total offenses cited

**Incident / Offense Reports Initiated:**

- Motor Vehicle Accidents (MVA): **1**
- Criminal Trespass: **1**
- Tow: **2**
- Assist other Agency: **4**
- Area Patrol: **16**
- Build/Business Check: **9**
- Public/Motorist Assist: **3**
- Livestock: **1**
- Welfare/MHMR: **1**
- Fraud/Forgery/Debt Card Abuse**: 1**
- Disturbance: **1**
- DWI/Intox: **1**
- Warrant Arrest: **1**

### DEPARTMENT PROJECTS & COMPLIANCE

**CJIS and Network Security:**

Reviewed the need for a VPN and determined that it is not mandates. So we will not need to allocate funding for it and our current configuration is CJIS compliant. *Remaining projects include an AT&T-required internet router upgrade and transition of Department email services to the Microsoft Government Community Cloud (GCC) environment as part of the Department's continuing efforts to strengthen cybersecurity and support applicable CJIS security requirements.*

**Accountability and Documentation:**

The Department deployed the new application/program to assist with operational related information tracking. It is currently in the testing phase. The officers and some municipal staff are learning how to operate it. So far, the application/program seems to be well received by everyone and we are seeing what areas of the software needs to be improved.

## FLEET STATUS

### PD108

- Air-conditioning needs a more detailed inspection. Functional but having issues.
- Oil Change Completed as part of the maintenance schedule.
- During a detailed inspection there was a control arm bolt not secured. It was replaced/repaired at no cost in-house.

### PD109

- Set to return from body work this week. (Frame, fenders, bumper, and hood repair.
- Other replacement parts pending order (Headlights, splash shield, etc.)
- Will need decal replacement on its return.

### Fleet Maintenance – Upcoming

- Tires need to be ordered as part of annual fleet maintenance.
- TPMS sensors needed to improve tire monitoring, officer safety, and tire longevity.
- Driver-seat covers needed to reduce wear and extend the service life of the vehicle interiors.

## ADMINISTRATIVE UPDATES

### Training:

A mandatory county-wide active-shooter training exercise is currently being planned by Liberty County Sheriff's Office. We are awaiting the date to be announced.

### MOU/Agreements:

The Department is working with Liberty County Sheriff's Office to identify any MOU's/Agreements between Liberty County and the Municipal Police Department that need to be reviewed, updated, or completed relating arrests, communications, and mutual assistance.

# Plum Grove Volunteer Fire Department

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# MONTHLY REPORT

**From:** Chief B. Frazier
**Date:** October 13, 2026
**Re:** Monthly Report (September 2026)

**Call Volume & Response Data**

| CALL TYPE | IN DISTRICT | Mutual Aid |
|---|---|---|
| Fire Suppression Calls | 14 | 0 |
| Vehicle Accident | 1 | 0 |
| Landing Zone/Traffic Control | 0 | 0 |
| Search and Rescue | 0 | 0 |
| Medical | 62 | 0 |
| Alarm | 2 | 0 |
| Hazmat | 4 | 0 |
| OTHER | 3 | 0 |

**FLEET UPDATES**

- **Engine 871** – Still awaiting air-tank replacement part. There is currently no estimated return-to-service date.
- **Booster 871** – The wrong mobile radio antenna was sent and we are awaiting the replacement connector to arrive.
- **Squad 871** – The wrong mobile radio antenna was sent and we are awaiting the replacement connector to arrive.

**Upcoming Fleet Projects**

The Department's working with supports to locate a replacement motor for Watercraft 871 and a replacement truck for the Heavy Rescue so that the rear compartment can be transferred.

**GENERAL DEPARTMENT UPDATES**

- The FY2027 Emergency Service Agreement with the county was signed with no change in county related funding to the department. ($100,000.00 annually)
- Chief Frazier attended an Emergency Services meeting with the county to express concerns in current and future emergency resources and planning.