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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: October 12, 2021
TIME: 6:29 P.M.
PLACE: Oxford City Hall
PRESENT: Mayor Alton Craft
Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council President
Mr. Steven Waits, Council President Pro Tempore
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council Member

The City Council of the City of Oxford, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Oxford City Hall of the City of Oxford, Alabama, on Tuesday, October 12, 2021, at approximately 6:29 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Pastor Greg Ford, Grace Baptist Church, prayed the Invocation.

Council President Spurlin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council President Spurlin stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the September 28, 2021 meeting. Council Member Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard.

Council President Spurlin called for any comments or questions; there being none, on roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, and Henderson; nays: none; abstentions Council Members Waits and Spurlin. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

1st Lieutenant Jacob Z. Shake, United States Marine Corp., made a presentation to the Oxford Fire Department.

Mayor Craft presented the following proclamation to 1st Lieutenant Jacob Z. Shake, United States Marine Corp.

Whereas, 1st Lieutenant Jacob Shake grew up in Oxford, AL and is the fourth son of Emmitt and Becky Shake. He attended Oxford High School where

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he played football, baseball, and wrestled. He graduated in May 2015 and attended Auburn University beginning in August 2015, where he majored in Fitness and Conditioning; and

Whereas, 1st Lieutenant Shake attended Officer Candidate School at Quantico, VA in the summer of 2018. Upon graduating from Auburn University in May 2019, he was commissioned in the United States Marine Corps. He reported to The Basic School at Quantico, VA in June 2019 where he was designated as an Infantry Officer. After graduating from Infantry Officer Course in March 2020, he was assigned to 2d Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment at Camp Pendleton, CA.; and

Whereas, 1st Lieutenant Shake served as 2nd Platoon Commander for Fox Company. In March 2021, he deployed as part of the Security Force Company for Special Purpose Marine Air-Ground Task Force, Crisis Response, Central Command, assigned to the United States Baghdad Embassy Compound in Baghdad, Iraq. While deployed, his platoon was assigned to assist with the noncombatant evacuation operation at Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan. He returned to Camp Pendleton in September 2021; and

Whereas, 1st Lieutenant Shake's dedication and professionalism reflects great credit upon himself, the State of Alabama, and the United States Marines;

Now, therefore, I, Alton Craft, Mayor of the City of Oxford, Alabama, on behalf of our citizens and members of the City Council, do hereby extend our sincere gratitude for his dedicated service to our great nation.

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Steven Landers to rezone property at 0 Peaceful Valley Road (23.15 acres) from Agriculture District (AG) to Residential District (R-1), declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said zoning request from Steven Landers to rezone property at 0 Peaceful Valley Road (23.15 acres) from Agriculture District (AG) to Residential District (R-1).

No one addressed address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said zoning request from Steven Landers to rezone property at 0 Peaceful Valley Road (23.15 acres) from Agriculture District (AG) to Residential District (R-1).

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Steven Landers to rezone property at 0 Peaceful Valley Road (23.15 acres) from Agriculture District (AG) to Residential District (R-1), closed.

Ordinance No. 2021 – 22 – Ordinance rezoning property located at 0 Peaceful Valley Road (23.15 acres) from Agriculture District (AG) to Residential District (R-1)

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Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-22. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-22, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2021-22. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 2021-22 was approved.

Council President Spurlin stated the next item on the agenda was the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2021 – 116 – Resolution authorizing the retainage of legal representation for the former Oxford Emergency Medical Services Board Members.

Resolution No. 2021 – 117 – Resolution authorizing an agreement with the Alabama Association of Fire Chiefs Mutual Aid Consortium.

Resolution No. 2021- 118 – Resolution awarding the bid for concrete pipe to Foley Products for FY2022.

Resolution No. 2021- 119 – Resolution authorizing the submittal of a Recreational Trails Program Grant Application requesting \$400,000.00 to replace the Hell's Gate Pedestrian Bridge.

Resolution No. 2021-120 – Resolution establishing a Signage Improvement Program.

Resolution No. 2021-121 – Resolution for an appropriation in an amount not to exceed \$16,307 for recycling materials.

Resolution No. 2021-122 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 218 McKibbin Street in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-123 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 218 McKibbin Street in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-124 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 165 Reaves Drive in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-125 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 165 Reaves Drive in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-126 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 25 Main Street in the total amount of \$184.00.

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Resolution No. 2021-127 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1515 Forney Street in the total amount of \$284.00.

Resolution No. 2021-128 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1321 McPherson Street in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-129 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1494 Taylors Chapel Road in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-130 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1612 Woodland Drive in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-131 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 615 Jay Street in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-132 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 92 Ada Drive in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-133 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 92 Ada Drive in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-134 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1510 Parker Lane in the total amount of \$184.00.

Resolution No. 2021-135 – Resolution authorizing the Finance Director to reimburse the City Attorney and the Municipal Judge for expenses incurred while attending the Alabama Associates of Municipal Attorneys and Judges Fall Law Conference.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2021-116 through 2021-135. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2021-116 through 2021-135, were approved.

Council President Spurlin stated there were two resolutions to be added to the agenda.

Resolution No. 2021-136 – Resolution approving an application seeking permission to incorporate an Airport Authority and authorizing such incorporation.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Resolution Number 2021-136. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried.

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Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Resolution Number 2021-136, Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2021-136, a resolution approving an application seeking permission to incorporate an Airport Authority and authorizing such incorporation and appointing directors to that authority. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2021-136 was approved.

Council President Spurlin stated they looked forward to working with the City of Anniston and building their economies together.

Resolution No. 2021- 137 – Resolution appointing Boice Turner to the Oxford Water Works and Sewer Board.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2021-137, a resolution appointing Boice Turner to the Oxford Water Works and Sewer Board. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2021-137 was approved.


The Council agreed to observe Saturday, October 30th, 2021 as the official date for trick or treat in Oxford.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Henderson made a motion to adjourn. Council President Spurlin declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:47 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA


Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:


Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
October 12, 2021: Regular Meeting

