# OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: TIME:

April 26, 2022 6:38 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, April 26, 2022, at approximately 6:38 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Trey Pilkington, First 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 April 12, 2022 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, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Waits. The motion carried.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Mayor Craft presented the following proclamation to the Oxford High School Girls' Basketball Team.

## Proclamation - Oxford High School Girls' Basketball Team

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Ordinance No. 2022- 20 – Ordinance adopting the State Sales Tax Holiday for 2022 (July 15-17)

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-20. 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.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-20, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2022-20. 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 Ordinance Number 2022-20 was approved.

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

### CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 2022 – 35 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 1494 Taylors Chapel Road.

Resolution No. 2022 – 36 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 1144 Turner Road.

Resolution No. 2022- 37 – Resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$13,071.00 as the 20% local match for the purchase of a high roof transit van with rear wheel chair lift for the Oxford Senior Center

Resolution No. 2022- 38 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants associated with certain tracts of land at Choccolocco Park

Resolution No. 2022- 39 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Access Agreement between the City of Oxford and Muscogee (Creek) Nation

Resolution No. 2022- 40 – Resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$695.50 for the purchase recycling signs from Traffic Signs, Inc. through the Keep Oxford Beautiful Board

Resolution No. 2022- 41 – Resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of a "Pre-Engineered Metal Building – Materials Only" to ARCO Building Systems in the total amount of \$90,112.00

<u>Resolution No. 2022 – 42 – Resolution authorizing a tax abatement agreement for Kronospan LLC</u>

Resolution No. 2022 – 43 – Resolution authorizing a tax abatement agreement for Kronospan PB LLC

Resolution No. 2022- 44 — Resolution awarding the bid the Oxford Ballfield Complex Softball Fence Relocation to Hale Building Co. in the total amount of \$409,929.00

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2022-35 through 2022-44. 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 and the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2022-35 through 2022-44, were approved.

Council President Spurlin stated that representatives from Kronospan were present tonight and the City had a great history of working with them. He stated they were proud to have them invest in the community and create new jobs.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated that Kronospan has a positive impact on the city school system and they had been a partner with the school system financially now for over seventeen years.

Mayor Craft stated they had international events coming to Oxford that would be very good for the community. He stated that Leon Smith Parkway was ahead of schedule.

Council Member Henderson stated the month of May would be a busy time for Choccolocco Park.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for May 10, 2022 to consider the following requests which were approved by the Oxford Planning Commission at their April 5th, 2022 meeting:

Zoning request from Joshua Smith to rezone property located at 520 W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street from Residential District (R-1) to Agricultural District (AG)

To amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article 5, Section 5.04, CBD Central Business District and Table 5-1, Use Regulations, Nonresidential Districts

Don Herring, 912 Edgewood Drive, addressed the Council concerning a sewer cover that was raised too high near his home. He stated the Oxford Water and Sewer Board had not called him back and it had been over two weeks since he made the call. He asked if he cannot get any help from the Oxford Water and Sewer Board who could he talk to in the City government.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits asked Mr. Herring to speak with him after the meeting adjourned.

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 6:58 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk April 26, 2022: Regular Meeting