OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

September 13, 2022

TIME:

6:45 P.M.

PLACE:

Oxford City Hall Mayor Alton Craft

PRESENT:

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, September 13, 2022, at approximately 6:45 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Greg Turner, First Baptist Church of Oxford, 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 August 23, 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, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried.

<u>Proclamation</u> – Gynecologic Cancer Awareness Month

Chief Partridge, Police Department, and Sheriff Wade, Calhoun County, addressed the Council concerning their work and cooperation together and concerning the recent resolution of a kidnapping incident within the area.

Chief Partridge, Police Department, presented commendations to Sergeant Brad Young, Officer Kevin Mitchell, Officer Nick Reaves, Pilot Drew Muench, Officer Dakota Gunter, Officer Bill

Wyman, Officer Randall Gilliand, Lieutenant Don Ridley, Officer Jacqueline Willis, Sergeant Chris Stefans, and Investigator Josh Harbin.

Council President Spurlin stated they were very proud of the Police Department and they appreciated the vision that Chief Partridge had shared with the city and his dedication and commitment to the city. He thanked Sheriff Wade for attending the meeting.

Ordinance No. 2022 – 32 – Ordinance declaring real property surplus at 47 Alan Street and authorizing its sale to Jerry Crawford for \$4,000.00.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-32. 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 2022-32, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2022-32. 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 2022-32 was approved.

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

Council President Pro Tempore Waits made a motion to add to the Consent Agenda, Resolution Number 2022-106, a resolution authorizing reimbursements to Ron Allen, City Attorney, and Stanley Allen, Municipal Judge, for the cost of attending the Alabama Associates of Municipal Attorneys and Judges Fall Law Conference. 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.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2022- 101 — Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission for a Fixed Route and ADA Paratransit Services.

Resolution No. 2022- 102 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission for a comprehensive mapping program.

Resolution No. 2022- 103 – Resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2022 Budget in the total amount of \$450,000.00 to assist in the purchase of real property for the Oxford Board of Education

Resolution No. 2022- 104 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Quitclaim Deed to Hudson Properties, LLC for the sum of \$10,000.00 for real property located at 630 Hale Street.

Resolution No. 2022- 105- Resolution adopting modifications to the City's Employee Handbook.

Resolution No. 2022- 106 – Resolution authorizing reimbursements to Ron Allen, City Attorney, and Stanley Allen, Municipal Judge, for the cost of 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 2022-101 through 2022-106. 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 2022-101 through 2022-106, were approved.

Mayor Craft asked for everyone to remember Julio Barreto, OPAC, while he is in Argentina with his mother. He thanked the Police Department and Sheriff's Office for their efforts with the kidnap victim and for what they do every day.

Council President Spurlin stated he appreciated the work by the Police Department, and he felt the EMAAC Center had been money well spent. He stated he felt they had the best Police Department in the state and the nation.

Bill Bunn, Cheatwood Drive, addressed the Council and gave an update on the recycling efforts in the city. He stated they have 21 pick up locations in the city.

Council Member Henderson asked if the Street Department gave their cardboard that they picked up to them

Mr. Bunn stated if people had cardboard for pick up they could call 311 and they would let him know the location for pick up. He stated cardboard picked up by the Street Department goes to the landfill.

Council Member Hubbard stated they were going to need a place for storing plastic recyclables for the future.

Mr. Bunn stated he thought the approximate cost for a plastic baler would be \$3,000.00. he stated he would do best to make the public recycling locations would stay clean.

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 7:12 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk September 13, 2022: Regular Meeting