## OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

November 14, 2023

TIME:

4:46 P.M.

PLACE:

Oxford City Hall

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

ABSENT:

Mayor Alton Craft

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, November 14, 2023, at approximately 4:46 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

David Harmon, Meadowbrook 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 October 24, 2023, meeting. Council Member Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner.

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.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Spurlin stated that this was the time for the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Lydia Edwards to rezone property located at 69 Colton Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Agricultural District (AG), declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said request from Lydia Edwards to rezone property located at 69 Colton Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Agricultural District (AG).

No one addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said request from Lydia Edwards to rezone property located at 69 Colton Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Agricultural District (AG).

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Lydia Edwards to rezone property located at 69 Colton Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Agricultural District (AG), closed.

Council President Spurlin stated that this was the time for the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Hunter Graham and John T. Davis to rezone property located at 69 Reaves Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Garden Home District (GH), declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said request from Hunter Graham and John T. Davis to rezone property located at 69 Reaves Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Garden Home District (GH).

No one addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said request from Hunter Graham and John T. Davis to rezone property located at 69 Reaves Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Garden Home District (GH).

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Hunter Graham and John T. Davis to rezone property located at 69 Reaves Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Garden Home District (GH), closed.

Ordinance No. 2023- 29 — Ordinance rezoning property located at 69 Colton Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Agricultural District (AG)

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-29. 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 2023-29, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2023-29. 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 2023-29 was approved.

Ordinance No. 2023- 30 — Ordinance rezoning property located at 69 Reaves Drive from Residential District (R-1) to Garden Home District (GH)

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-30. 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 2023-30, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2023-30. 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 2023-30 was approved.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the Consent Agenda, Resolution Number 2023-131, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to appropriate funds for the purchase of an autonomous turf painter and Resolution Number 2023-132, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to appropriate funds for the purchase of two video scoreboards and one park entry digital sign all for Choccolocco Park. 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.

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

## **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Resolution No. 2023- 127 – Resolution changing second Council Meeting date of December to Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 6:30 p.m.

Resolution No. 2023- 128 – Resolution declaring certain equipment surplus and authorizing their sale/disposal.

Resolution No. 2023- 129 – Resolution authorizing an appropriation in the amount of \$286,153.00 for the purpose of acquiring a 2024 Diesel Armored Bearcat for Emergency Services.

Resolution No. 2023-130 — Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a lease agreement with Hope Christian Academy for Big Jack Stovall Field.

Resolution No. 2023-131 — Resolution authorizing the Mayor to appropriate funds for the purchase of an autonomous turf painter.

Resolution No. 2023-132 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to appropriate funds for the purchase of two video scoreboards and one park entry digital sign for Choccolocco Park.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2023-127 through 2023-132. 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 2023-127 through 2023-132, were approved.

Council Member Henderson stated that last Saturday was Veteran's Day and they appreciated the services of all their veterans. He stated that next week was Thanksgiving and that they lived in a blessed city, and he was thankful for it.

Council President Spurlin stated that Friday night would be the opening of Festival of Lights.

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 4:55 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

**AUTHENTICATED:** 

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

November 14, 2023: Regular Meeting