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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: June 8, 2021
TIME: 6:30 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, June 8, 2021, at approximately 6:30 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 Trull Hill, 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 May 25, 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, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation of Fire Department Awards

Chief Sparks, Fire Department, made the following presentations:

Bill Dempsey – Martin Boyles Volunteer Firefighter of the Year

Ethan Borchard – Capt. Lynn Elliott Full Time Firefighter of the Year

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Ben Stewart – Chief Dewey Webb Officer of the Year

Shane Calvert – C.E. “Sparky” Sparks Humanitarian of the Year

Wayne Lancaster – Earl Haynes Award of Excellence

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to receive comments on the condemnation notice sent to Margaret Dempsey for a structure located at 316 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council on the condemnation notice sent to Margaret Dempsey for a structure located at 316 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned. No one addressed the Council on the condemnation notice sent to Margaret Dempsey for a structure located at 316 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

No one addressed the Council concerning the condemnation notice sent to Margaret Dempsey for a structure located at 316 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to receive comments on the condemnation notice sent to Margaret Dempsey for a structure located at 316 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, closed.

Ordinance No. 2021 – 13 – Ordinance amending the City Code, Chapter 2, Article IV – Boards and Commissions, Division 3 – Keep Oxford Beautiful Board, Section 2-328 – Composition and Appointment.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-13. 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 2021-13, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2021-13. 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 Ordinance Number 2021-13 was approved.

Resolution No. 2021 – 70 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 316 W. 5th Street.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2021-70. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded:

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ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2021-70 was approved.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2021- 71 – Resolution appointing Gwen Parrish to the Keep Oxford Beautiful Board.

Resolution No. 2021- 72 – Resolution authorizing Alton Craft, Mayor, and Alan Atkinson, City Clerk as signatories for the safety deposit box at BBVA Bank.

Resolution No. 2021- 73 – Resolution authorizing the Defeasance of Taxable General Obligation Warrants, Series 2019A.

Resolution No. 2021- 74 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an easement on Leon Smith Parkway with Alabama Power Company.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2021-71 and 2021-74. 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 2021-71 and 2021-74, were approved.

Council Member Henderson stated there was an article published in *The Homewood Star* praising the success of the State High School Softball Tournament at Choccolocco Park last month. He stated the success of the tournament was a tribute to all City employees and volunteers who worked and assisted with the tournament. He stated the way our staff and volunteers treat people make the difference.

Council President Spurlin stated he had heard a lot of positive comments about our staff and volunteers.

Mayor Craft stated that the Junior College Championship had been a huge success and they had received compliments on the whole area for their hospitality. He thanked the Council for their actions concerning Big Time Entertainment.

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 6:57 o'clock p.m.

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APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA

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Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Alan B. Atkinson", written over a horizontal line.

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
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