## OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

April 12, 2022

TIME:

6:30 P.M.

PLACE:

Oxford City Hall

PRESENT:

Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council President

Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member

Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member Mr. Mike Henderson, Council Member

ABSENT:

Mayor Alton Craft

Mr. Steven Waits, Council President Pro Tempore

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 12, 2022, 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.

Blake Lowry, First Baptist Church, prayed the Invocation.

Kaylee 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 March 22, 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, Henderson, and Spurlin; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Gardner; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Council President Spurlin stated they would like to welcome and recognize the students participating in Student Government Day and stated Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, would read their names and positions into the record.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, stated the students participating in Student Government Day were:

2022 OHS Senior Government Day Election Results	
Administrative Police Clerk	Isabella Martin
Assistant Police Chief	Donovan Smith
Animal Control Officer	Hailey Smallwood
Building Inspector	Blakely Freeman
City Attorney	Megan Warhurst Gracelyn Roney
City Clerk	Ashanti Ruffin
City Council	Ella Wilson  Rylan Houck  Kneidra Beck  Nia Twyman  Jesslyne Kelly
Superintendent of Education	Anna Abernathy
City Judge	Anna Lewis
Director of Fleet Services	Mikiya Wilson
City Librarian	Mattison Sprayberry
Court Clerk	Madison Scott
City Engineer	Samuel Curlee
Finance Director	Alyssa Free
Police Chief	Coby Bonner
Jury Members	Anthony Calloway  Diarra Maull  Olivia Armstrong  Anna Tapley  Kinsley Humphries

	Kaylee Patterson
Secretary to the Mayor	Ally Munroe
Mayor	Ryan Whitley
Parks & Recreation Director	Kyle Pilkington
Police Dispatcher	Brooklyn Maddox
Police Lieutenants	Blake Johnson Brayden Kellum Christopher Perrelli
Fire Chief	Madison Sparks
Assistant Fire Chief	Cameron Bearden
Fire Inspector	Miguel Mitchell
Police Sergeants	ZaKerria Hawkins  Kyler Wright  Luke Turley  Aaron McFarland
Director of Oxford Water Department	Mattie Moore
Public Defenders	Kaleah Taylor Jada Kirksey
Street Superintendent	Aiden Bruce
IT Director	Emily Parrish
Marketing Director	Anna Marlow
Performing Arts Center Director (OPAC)	Caroline Rogers
Main Street Director	Nadajia Beck
3-11 Director	Anna Lockridge
Public Information Officer	Kinslee Nunn

City Special Event Coordinator	Ashley Lamb
Director of Oxford Healthcare Systems	Skylar Sword
Paramedic(s)	Abigail Reimer Kinley Sparks

Ordinance No. 2022- 18 – Ordinance annexing the property of Matthew and Kim Maniscalco, 4334 McIntosh Road, Talladega County.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council Members present for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-18. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried.

Unanimous consent of the Council Members present having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-18, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2022-18. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 2022-18 was approved.

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Matthew and Kim Maniscalco to zone property located at 4334 McIntosh Road as 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 zoning request from Matthew and Kim Maniscalco to zone property located at 4334 McIntosh Road as Agricultural District (AG).

No one addressed address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said zoning request from Matthew and Kim Maniscalco to zone property located at 4334 McIntosh Road as Agricultural District (AG).

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Matthew and Kim Maniscalco to zone property located at 4334 McIntosh Road as Agricultural District (AG), closed.

Ordinance No. 2022- 19 – Ordinance zoning property located at 4334 McIntosh Road as Agricultural District (AG)

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council Members present for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-19. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried.

Unanimous consent of the Council Members present having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2022-19, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2022-19. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 2022-19 was approved.

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider a resolution authorizing the City of Oxford to enter into a Project Development Agreement with TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC, declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said resolution authorizing the City of Oxford to enter into a Project Development Agreement with TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC.

Bill Bunn, 2017 Cheatwood Drive, addressed the Council in favor of said resolution authorizing the City of Oxford to enter into a Project Development Agreement with TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC and asked what businesses would go there.

Council President Spurlin stated they did not yet know what businesses would be part of this development but the Council would have final approval of the businesses going in the development.

Council President Spurlin asked if anyone else wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said resolution authorizing the City of Oxford to enter into a Project Development Agreement with TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC.

No one else addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said resolution authorizing the City of Oxford to enter into a Project Development Agreement with TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC.

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to consider a resolution authorizing the City of Oxford to enter into a Project Development Agreement with TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC, closed.

Resolution No. 2022-27 – Resolution approving a Project Development Agreement between TC-MAC, LLC, I20 Exit 185 LLC, SP, LLC and the City of Oxford and authorizing the Mayor to sign same.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2022-27. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Resolution No. 2022-27 was approved.

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

## CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution No. 2022- 28 – Resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$5,000.00 to the Northeast Alabama Bicycle Association for sponsorship of the Cheaha Challenge cycling event.

Resolution No. 2022- 29 – Resolution awarding the bid for the Christmas Lights and Decorations for the "Festival of Lights" to Mosca Design, Inc. in the total amount of \$82,918.42

Resolution No. 2022- 30 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an Engineering Services Agreement with CDG, Inc. for design of intersection improvements along U. S. Highway 78 at the Leon Smith Parkway and Sunny Eve Road intersections in the total amount of \$359,600.00

Resolution No. 2022- 31 – Resolution approving the plat of the apartment complex of Bentley's Cove on Pine Lane

Resolution No. 2022- 32 — Resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$125,573.00 to Outdoor Aluminum, Inc. for the purpose of the installation of aluminum bleachers at the Choccolocco Park Signature Softball Field

Resolution No. 2022- 33 — Resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$14,148.00 to Musco Lighting for the purpose of the installation of additional lighting at the Choccolocco Park Signature Softball Field

Resolution No. 2022- 34 – Resolution authorizing an appropriation not to exceed \$30,000.00 to Wells and Wells Septic Service and Foley Concrete Products collectively for the purpose of the installation of additional drainage structures at the Choccolocco Park Signature Softball Field.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to add to the Consent Agenda Resolution No. 2022-32, Resolution 2022-33 and Resolution No, 2022-34 and to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2022-28 through 2022-34. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Resolution Numbers 2022-28 through 2022-34 were approved.

Council Member Hubbard stated that she had been in touch with Rusty Gann, City Engineer, and the road improvements in Pine Lane area would be part of the capital projects in next year's budget and would be part of bid process.

Council Member Henderson stated that the Oxford High School Girls Basketball Team would be present and recognized at the April 26<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. He stated that the Muscogee Native Festival at Choccolocco Park last weekend had been a great event.

Council Member Hubbard thanked the teachers and administrators present with the students at the Council Meeting tonight.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for April 26, 2022 to consider a condemnation at 1494 Taylors Chapel Road and a condemnation at 1144 Turner Road.

Brandy Larch addressed the Council on behalf of her mother Linda White, 2050 Highway 78 W., and asked the City to reconsider the placement of the storm shelter that was going up next to the City barn. She stated there had been a previous agreement with the former Mayor that they would maintain a portion of the City property adjacent to their property. She stated they had maintained the property all her life. She asked if they could put the storm shelter somewhere else on City property. She stated it would be right outside her mother's home. She stated they did not know the storm shelter was going there until just recently.

Council President Spurlin stated the City was trying to put the storm shelter in a location that would benefit that area. He stated they had not considered the location being a problem.

Ms. Larch stated that the City had never maintained this adjacent property over the years. She stated they have cut where the storm shelter is going but not the rest of the City property.

Council President Spurlin stated that the City was not trying to infringe upon Mrs. White or depreciate the value of her land with the placement of this storm shelter.

Chief Sparks stated when they got the grant for the storm shelter they wanted the storm shelter in a central location and the City had to submit certain documentation to FEMA concerning the proposed location of the storm shelter. He stated that Public Works had wanted to place the storm shelter in the proposed location because the land was flat there. He stated the company building the storm shelter had started work today. He stated he had spoken to the Mayor about the location and was told to move forward.

Council President Spurlin stated the Council would be adjourning into Executive Session to discuss a possible sale or purchase of real estate and asked Ron Allen, City Attorney, to certify said purpose of the Executive Session.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, stated he did certify that the Council was adjourning into Executive Session to discuss a possible sale or purchase of real estate.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Gardner made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss a possible sale or purchase of real estate. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and the Council adjourned into Executive Session at approximately 7:03 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

**AUTHENTICATED:** 

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk April 12, 2022: Regular Meeting