OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

June 27, 2023

TIME:

6:36 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, June 27, 2023, at approximately 6:36 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Keith Graben, Antioch 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 June 13, 2023, 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

Ordinance No. 2023- 15 - Ordinance declaring real property surplus and authorizing its lease to 360 Media Group LLC

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-15. There was no second to Council Member Henderson's motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-15.

Council President Spurlin stated that Ordinance No. 2023-15 would be held over for a second reading at the next meeting of the City Council on July 11, 2023.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2023 – 76 – Resolution authorizing an Easement Agreement with Alabama Power Company on Leon Smith Parkway.

Resolution No. 2023 – 77 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Commitment Proposal with First Bank of Alabama in reference to a loan in the total amount of \$244,500.00.

Resolution No. 2023- 78 — Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a NJCAA Championship Host Agreement with the National Junior College Athletic Association for the 2025 Division II Softball World Series.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2023-76 through 2023-78. 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 2023-76 through 2023-78, were approved.

Council Member Henderson stated they were all saddened to here of the passing of former City Clerk, Shirley Henson. He stated that Ms. Henson had served the City well for 25 years and was a great lady.

Council President Spurlin stated Ms. Henson had helped all of the Council Members during her employment and she was a great lady.

Mayor Craft stated the Vipers were enjoying their time in the community and playing games. He invited everyone to come out and see the Vipers play. He thanked Crystal Hancock for her work in acquiring the Steinway piano.

Council President Spurlin stated there would be events ongoing in the city all day on the 4th of July culminating with the fireworks show at Oxford Lake that night.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for July 11, 2023, to consider the following requests which were approved by the Oxford Planning Commission at their June 6, 2023 meeting:

Zoning request from Darsham Patel to zone property located on Leon Smith Parkway as Area Shopping Center District (ASC)

Zoning request from Holmes and Holmes Holding LLC to zone property located on Leon Smith Parkway as Area Shopping Center District (ASC)

June Reaves and Cheryl Cotton stated they appreciated the work and dedication of the Health Care Authority personnel. They presented Tom Dixon, Health Care Authority, with a certificate of appreciation.

John Longshore, Performing Arts Center, addressed the Council and thanked them for their support in obtaining the Steinway piano.

Veronica Williams, Gateway Beautiful House of Prayer, addressed the Council and stated they were having a community feeding at Oxford Lake this Saturday.

Council President Spurlin stated the Council would be adjourning into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual 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 the good name and character of an individual.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Waits made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual. 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 Council adjourned into Executive Session at approximately 6:55 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk June 27, 2023: Regular Meeting