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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: August 8, 2023
TIME: 6:38 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, August 8, 2023, at approximately 6:38 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Ron Suggs, New Haven 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 July 25, 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, Henderson, and Spurlin; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Gardner; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

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

Council President Spurlin asked for a motion for the approval of Ordinance No. 2023-15.

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No one made a motion for the approval of Ordinance No. 2023-15.

Council President Spurlin stated that Ordinance No. 2023-15 had failed due to a lack of any motion for its approval.

Resolution No. 2023-85 – Resolution for the approval of a subdivision plat for Carterton Heights

Council Member Henderson made a motion to table Resolution No. 2023-85 indefinitely. 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

NEW BUSINESS

Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit

Phil Bain, Kemp and Associates, presented the Fiscal Year 2022 Audit. He stated that this was basically a clean audit. He stated that the increase in cash was mostly from the bond proceeds.

Council President Spurlin stated that this was the time for the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Stanley Bush to rezone property located at 107 Mattison Road from Residential District (R-1) to General Business District (GB), declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said request from Stanley Bush to rezone property located at 107 Mattison Road from Residential District (R-1) to General Business District (GB).

No one addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said request from Stanley Bush to rezone property located at 107 Mattison Road from Residential District (R-1) to General Business District (GB).

Council President Spurling declared the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Stanley Bush to rezone property located at 107 Mattison Road from Residential District (R-1) to General Business District (GB), closed.

Ordinance No. 2023- 21 – Ordinance rezoning property located at 107 Mattison Road from Residential 1 District (R-1) to General Business District (GB)

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-21. 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 having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-21, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance

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Number 2023-21. 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 and Ordinance Number 2023-21 was approved.

Ordinance No. 2023- 22 – Ordinance affirming Chapter 2, Section 2-6 of the City Code, City Depositories

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-22. 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.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-22, Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2023-22. 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 2023-22 was approved.

Ordinance No. 2023 – 23 – Designating Choccolocco Street as a one-way street.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-23. 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 having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2023-23, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2023-23. 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 and Ordinance Number 2023-23 was approved.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to add to the consent agenda Resolution No. 2023-96 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Change Order One agreement concerning the Oxford Recreation Complex Softball Fence Field Relocation for additional fence sleeves, shades, nets, columns and field drainage and piping with hale Building Co. in the total amount of \$17,948.00, Resolution No. 2023-98 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute documents for Economic Development Administration funding to complete the resurfacing and drainage improvements project along Bynum Cutoff Road, Resolution No. 2023-99 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a 2023 Women's Professional Fastpitch Championship Host Agreement with the WPF League, and Resolution No. 2023-100 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Construction Engineering Services agreement with Goodwyn Mills

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Cawood LLC for construction inspection and testing in an amount not to exceed \$560,000.00. 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.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2023-91 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept the bid and enter into a contractual agreement with Midsouth Paving, Inc. for additional lanes on Leon Smith Parkway in the total amount of \$5,597,727.47.

Resolution No. 2023-92 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement with the Church of the Highlands for the lease of the Civic Center for Sunday Services.

Resolution No. 2023-93 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement with Alabama Power for use of the Civic Center during periods of emergency electric service outages in the Oxford, Anniston, Munford and Heflin areas.

Resolution No. 2023-94 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Facility/Meeting Space Rental Agreement between the City and the Talladega Superspeedway LLC for the Women's Fastpitch Softball Banquet.

Resolution No. 2023-95 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a release of lien on the property located at 814 Boozer Drive.

Resolution No. 2023-96 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Change Order One agreement concerning the Oxford Recreation Complex Softball Fence Field Relocation for additional fence sleeves, shades, nets, columns and field drainage and piping with hale Building Co. in the total amount of \$17,948.00.

Resolution No. 2023-98 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute documents for Economic Development Administration funding to complete the resurfacing and drainage improvements project along Bynum Cutoff Road.

Resolution No. 2023-99 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a 2023 Women's Professional Fastpitch Championship Host Agreement with the WPF League.

Resolution No. 2023-100 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Construction Engineering Services agreement with Goodwyn Mills Cawood LLC for construction inspection and testing in an amount not to exceed \$560,000.00.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2023-91 through 2022-96 and Resolution Numbers 2023-98 through 2023-100. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded:

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ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and the Consent Agenda, , Resolution Numbers 2023-91 through 2022-96 and Resolution Numbers 2023-98 through 2023-100, were approved.

Keith Strickland, Goodwyn, Mills and Cawood, stated the current bridge widening and paving project should wrap in two to three months. He stated the project that was awarded tonight would probably start sometime in September. He stated there would be some overlap of the two projects.

Council Member Henderson stated 2023 Women's Professional Fastpitch Championship would be ongoing starting this week. He stated the Rubato International Piano Competition would also be ongoing this week.

Council Member Hubbard stated the Rubato International Piano Competition place a major emphasis on education. She stated the Steinway Piano at the Performing Arts Center had been a great addition as a teaching tool.

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.

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA


Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:


Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
August 8, 2023: Regular Meeting

