OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

September 23, 2025

TIME:

6:26 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, September 23, 2025, at approximate 6:26 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

David Mayfield, Lakeview 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 September 9, 2025 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. 2025-44 - Ordinance amending Chapter 22, Article V, "Tobacco Tax" of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Oxford

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2025-44. 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 2025-44, Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2025-44. 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 2025-44 was approved.

Ordinance No. 2025-45 – Ordinance authorizing the East Metro Area Crime Center to oversee the implementation of traffic video retrieval within the city.

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2025-45. 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 2025-45, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2025-45. 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 2025-45 was approved.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2025- 79 – Resolution awarding the bid for Plant Mix in Place purchases for FY2026 to Vulcan Materials Asphalt and Construction, LLC

Resolution No. 2025- 80 – Resolution awarding the bid for Aggregate purchases for FY2026 to APAC-Alabama, Inc.

<u>Resolution No. 2025- 81 – Resolution awarding the bid for Guardrail purchases for FY2026 to Alabama Guardrail</u>, Inc.

Resolution No. 2025- 82 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission for a comprehensive mapping program for FY2026.

Resolution No. 2025 – 83 – Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2026 Budget.

Resolution No. 2025- 84 – Resolution authorizing the City to submit an application for a Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant and to provide local cash matching funds and to comply with all applicable Federal and State laws, rules and regulations connected to the grant.

<u>Resolution No. 2025- 85 – Resolution reappointing Charlotte Hubbard to the Mainstreet Board for a three year term.</u>

Resolution No. 2025- 86 – Resolution authorizing an Easement Agreement with Alabama Power Company on Leon Smith Parkway.

Resolution No. 2025- 87 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a restaurant lease agreement with the Feed Wagon, LLC d/b/a The Nineteenth Hole at Cider Ridge and Christopher Mauldin.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2025-79 through 2025-87. 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 the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2025-79 through 2025-87, were approved.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to add to the Agenda and approve Resolution Number 2025-88, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Vehicle Loan Agreement with the Talladega Superspeedway, LLC. 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 Resolution Number 2025-88 was approved.

Council President Spurlin thanked Aimee Birchfield, Finance Director, and Amanda Wimpee, Assistant Finance Director, for all their hard work preparing the FY 2026 Budget.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for October 14, 2025, to consider the following requests which were approved by the Oxford Planning Commission at their September 2, 2025 meeting:

Zoning request from Dean Harwell to rezone property located at 120 Annie Drive from Residential 1 District (R-1) to Mobile Home District (MH).

Zoning request from John Mizzell to rezone property located at 202 Digby Road from General Business District (GB) to Residential 1 District (R-1).

Council President Spurlin stated the Council would be adjourning into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of certain public employees 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 certain public employees.

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 certain public employees. 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 6:35 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council Presiden

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

September 23, 2025: Regular Meeting