

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: January 27, 2026
TIME: 6:27 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, January 27, 2026, at approximately 6:27 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Mark Littleton, Betta View Hills Church of Christ, 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 January 13, 2026 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

Chief Gary Sparks, Fire Department administered the Oath of Office to incoming Fire Chief Ben Stewart.

Ben Stewart, incoming Fire Chief, stated he gives thanks to the Lord for making this possible. He thanked his family for their support. He thanked the Mayor and Council for their support. He stated he was honored to serve with all the men and women of the Oxford Fire Department. He thanked

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Chief Sparks and stated that Chief Sparks had laid the foundation for the department, and it was up to them to work and try to make it better.

Council President Spurlin stated they looked forward to incoming Chief Stewart continuing to build and improve the Fire Department.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2026- 05 – Resolution reappointing David Mayfield and appointing Joey Stay to the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Resolution No. 2026- 06 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a services agreement with Neumo Group, LLC (NEUMO) for Vape Products Tax Revenue Administration.

Resolution No. 2026- 07 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to accept a proposal from the Three Notch Group, Inc. for professional engineering services involving the City's USDOT BUILD Grant application for the Friendship Road Bridge Replacements Project in the total amount of \$9,500.00.

Resolution No. 2026- 08 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Lake Management Contract with Jones Lake Management dba Aqua Services for professional aquatic weed and algae control service at Oxford Lake and Choccolocco Park in the total amount of \$26,714.16 per year.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2026-05 through 2026-08. 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 2026-05 through 2026-08, were approved.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the Agenda and approve Resolution Number 2026-09, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Settlement Agreement with Garthfield Gunn and make payment from the general funds of the City of Oxford in the total amount of \$31,157.00 in carrying out the terms of said agreement. 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 Resolution Number 2026-09 was approved.

Council President Spurlin stated they need to set a public hearing for February 10, 2026, to consider the following request which was approved by the Oxford Planning Commission at their January 6, 2026 meeting:

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Zoning request from the Calhoun County Economic Development Council to rezone property located at 419 Green Acres Road from Agricultural District (AG) to General Manufacturing District (M-2)

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 6:39 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA



Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:



Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
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