

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: November 26, 2019
TIME: 5:44 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 Council Chamber in the City Hall of the City of Oxford, Alabama, on Tuesday, November 26, 2019, at approximately 5:44 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Ben Character, Meadowbrook Baptist Church, prayed the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Spurlin stated tonight we have Kyla Burke to lead us in our pledge. Kyla is a 5th grader at C. E. Hanna Elementary School. Her parents are Michael and Marilyn Burke. Kyla enjoys cheer, art and singing. At school, she is a member of the jacket Sing-sations. Her favorite subjects are Science and Social Studies and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Troup. When Kyla grows up, she wants to be a Veterinarian or something else where she can work with animals.

Kyla Burke led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Spurlin thanked Kyla Burke for leading the Pledge of Allegiance and thanked her for being an outstanding student.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Council President Spurlin stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the November 12th, 2019 meeting. Council Member Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner.

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

Council President Spurlin stated the next item on the agenda was Resolution No. 2019-31.

Resolution No. 2019- 131 – Resolution amending the FY 2020 Budget authorizing a monthly appropriation to Oxford EMS in the amount of \$25,000.00.

Council President Spurlin stated the Council had discussed this proposed resolution during their work session earlier that evening. He stated that he thought Oxford EMS had made a lot of changes and were trying to serve their citizens the best they could. He stated they had discussed letting Oxford EMS implement some of their changes and then they could look at the results of those changes.

Council President Spurlin asked if there was a motion for the adoption and approval of Resolution No. 2019-131. No one made a motion for the adoption and approval of Resolution No. 2019-131.

Council President Spurlin stated that without a motion Resolution No. 2019-131 would die.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2019- 132 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with The Nine for the design and hosting of the City website.

Resolution No. 2019- 133 – Resolution appointing Bill Bunn, Nancy Burnell, Robin Leonard, Leigh Ann Beshears, Lorraine Busby and Shawn Jones to the Keep Oxford Beautiful Board.

Council President Spurlin stated that Bill Bunn, Leigh Ann Beshears and Shawn Jones were at the meeting tonight and the Council appreciated that they were taking pride in their city and that they were willing to serve on this board.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2019-132 through 2019-133. 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 2019-132 through 2019-133, were approved.

Council Member Hubbard stated the Keep Oxford Beautiful Board had completed the litter survey and she thanked the people on the board for their willingness to serve. She stated they

would be looking for more team members to help keep their city looking beautiful and they would love to have more membership.

Council Member Henderson encouraged everyone to support the Oxford Football Team on Friday night in the semi-finals of the State Playoffs.

Council President Spurlin stated that tomorrow night would be the grand opening of the Magic of Lights for their citizens.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for December 10th, 2019, to consider a zoning request from the City of Oxford to rezone property located at 70 E. 6th Street, 110 E. 6th Street, and 1102 Luttrell Street from Residential R-2 District (R-2) to Neighborhood Shopping Center District (NSC).

Council President Spurlin stated the Council would be adjourning into Executive Session to discuss the 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 the possible sale or purchase of real estate.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Henderson made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss the possible sale or purchase of real estate and possible litigation. 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 5:52 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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