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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: November 24, 2020
TIME: 6:34 P.M.
PLACE: Oxford City Hall
PRESENT: Mayor Alton Craft
Mr. Steven Waits, Council President Pro Tempore
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council Member

ABSENT: Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council President

The City Council of the City of Oxford, Alabama, met in Regular Session in the Oxford Performing Arts Center of the City of Oxford, Alabama, on Tuesday, November 24, 2020, at approximately 6:34 o'clock p.m. Council President Pro Tempore Waits 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 Pro Tempore Waits led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the October 27th, 2020 meeting and the November 2nd, 2020 meeting. Council Member Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits 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, and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Council President Pro Tempore Waits announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Randy Cobb, Cobb's Automotive Machine Shop Inc. to rezone property located at 1714 Lake Street from Residential 2 District (R-2) to General Business District (GB), declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said zoning request from Randy Cobb, Cobb's Automotive Machine Shop Inc. to rezone property located at 1714 Lake Street from Residential 2 District (R-2) to General Business District (GB).

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No one addressed the Council either in favor of or in opposition to said zoning request from Randy Cobb, Cobb's Automotive Machine Shop Inc. to rezone property located at 1714 Lake Street from Residential 2 District (R-2) to General Business District (GB).

Council President Pro Tempore Waits declared the public hearing to consider a zoning request from Randy Cobb, Cobb's Automotive Machine Shop Inc. to rezone property located at 1714 Lake Street from Residential 2 District (R-2) to General Business District (GB), closed.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider the condemnation notice sent to Tyler Paulson for a structure located at 1010 Mountainview Circle to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council concerning said condemnation notice sent to Tyler Paulson for a structure located at 1010 Mountainview Circle to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

No one addressed the Council concerning said condemnation notice sent to Tyler Paulson for a structure located at 1010 Mountainview Circle to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits declared the public hearing to consider the condemnation notice sent to Tyler Paulson for a structure located at 1010 Mountainview Circle to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned closed.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits announced that was the time for the public hearing to consider the condemnation notice sent to Bigger is Better for a structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, declared the hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council concerning said condemnation notice sent to Bigger is Better for a structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

Larry Sims addressed the Council concerning said condemnation notice sent to Bigger is Better for a structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest and stated he had spoken to the Council previously about this property. He stated he done what was recommended and cleaned up the outside and cleaned out the inside. He stated the doors were secure. He stated very soon after the first of the year he would be able to begin some preliminary work. He stated they have to restore electrical power to the property and replace some sheet rock downstairs and install a new central heat and air unit. He stated they should be near completion by the end of July. He stated this was going to require some investment and he would have access to some money after the first quarter of next year. He stated he intends to keep the property. He stated the mortgage was current and he was paying the taxes.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated he appreciated the progress they had made on the property since coming before the Council on September 22. He asked what was the plan for the tree that had fallen on the power line.

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Mr. Sims stated he had filed an insurance claim for the tree that had fallen on the power line.

Mike Roberts, Inspections Department, stated they wanted to keep the property clean and free of trash and the property secured. He stated the Council could postpone the condemnation.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated if the Council wished they could not make any motion concerning the condemnation resolution for this property.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits asked if anyone else wished to address the Council concerning the condemnation notice sent to Bigger is Better for a structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

No one else addressed the Council concerning the condemnation notice sent to Bigger is Better for a structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits declared the public hearing to consider the condemnation notice sent to Bigger is Better for a structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned closed.

Ordinance No. 2020 – 27 – Ordinance rezoning property located at 1714 Lake Street from Residential 2 District (R-2) 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 2020-27. 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 and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2020-27, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2020-27. 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 and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 2020-27 was approved.

Ordinance No. 2020- 28 – Ordinance declaring certain real property owned by the City as surplus and authorizing its sale to Hudson Properties, LLC in the total amount of \$9,000.00

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2020-28. 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 and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried.

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Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2020-28, Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2020-28. 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 and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried and Ordinance Number 2020-28 was approved.

Resolution No. 2020 – 130 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 1010 Mountainview Circle.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-130. 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, and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-130 was approved.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated the next item on the Agenda was Resolution No. 2020-131.

Resolution No. 2020 – 131 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits asked if there was a motion concerning Resolution No. 2020-131.

No one made a motion concerning Resolution No. 2020-131.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated that Resolution No. 2020-131 was dead for lack of a motion.

Resolution No. 2020- 132 – Resolution approving a Project Development, Funding and Cooperation Agreement between Phoenix Real Estate, LLC and the City of Oxford and authorizing the Mayor to sign same.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-132 subject to amending the Project Development, Funding and Cooperation Agreement, Article III, Section C, to change “and one (1) tenant opening for business to the public” to “and two (2) tenants opening for business to the public”. 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, and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-132 was approved as amended.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-135, a resolution to postpone the demolition of the structure at 61 Alan Street, Bynum, Alabama (PIN NO. 10546) for 21 days to allow the property owner an opportunity to sell the property with the condition that the requirements pass to the buyer that are in place for the

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condemnation. 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, and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-135 was approved.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated the next item on the agenda was the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2020- 133 – Resolution awarding the bid and authorizing a contract for Pest Control Services with Extermco Pest Control

Resolution No. 2020 – 134 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute Change Order for the Oxford Festival of Lights with Mosca Design, Inc. in the total amount of \$77,957.73.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2020-133 through 2020-134. 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 and Henderson; nays: none; absent: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried and the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2020-133 through 2020-134, were approved.

Council Member Henderson wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Council Member Hubbard stated that the Festival of Lights at Choccolocco Park was now open. She stated the soft opening had been very impressive. She stated they appreciated everyone's work out there. She stated they also have citizen volunteers at the Festival of Lights. She stated she was happy they were going forward with the Christmas Parade, also.

Mayor Craft stated that Hunter Gentry, Main Street Director, had secured a grant for the old cemetery across from Lowe's.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated he appreciated the effort of the City employees in pulling the Festival of Lights together and he appreciated the Mayor's leadership in that effort.

Council President Pro Tempore Waits stated they needed to set public hearings for December 8, 2020 to consider the following requests which were approved by the Oxford Planning Commission at their November 3rd, 2020 meeting:

1. Zoning request from Peggy Dabbs to zone undeveloped property located off Reaves Drive as Planned Development 1 (PD-1)

Zoning request from Kenny Stratton/McIntosh, LLC to zone undeveloped property located off Reaves Drive as Planned Development 1 (PD-1)

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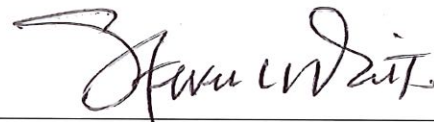
2. Zoning request from Kenny Stratton/McIntosh, LLC to rezone property off Reaves Road from Planned Development (PD) to Planned Development 1 (PD-1)
3. Zoning request from Kenny Stratton/McIntosh, LLC to rezone property off Reaves Road from Residential 1 District (R-1) to Planned Development 1 (PD-1)
4. Zoning request from City of Oxford to rezone property at and around Oxford Lake Park from Flood Plain and Conservation District (FC), Residential District (R-1) and Planned Development (PD) to General Business District (GB)
5. To amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article 6, Section 6.03, Planned Development District,
- 6. *Property Development Standards.*

Fred Denney, Project Manager, stated he felt that Randy Cobb, Cobb's Automotive Machine Shop Inc. would be willing to bring into the City additional property adjacent to 1714 Lake Street.

Joyce and Johnny Roszell, 2026 Hinton Drive, addressed the Council and stated they had an issue with the Lighthouse Baptist Church. She stated the music on Sunday mornings from 10:00-10.20 a.m. and Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. was so loud she could hear over her earbuds. She stated it was also disturbing her neighbor. She stated she had notice the police present there but that they come after the music has stopped. He stated that this has been going on for three months. He stated they call the police but the music has stopped by the time they get there.

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 7:00 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA



Steven Waits, Council President Pro Tempore

AUTHENTICATED:



Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

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