OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

October 27, 2020

TIME:

6:29 P.M.

PLACE:

Oxford City Hall

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

ABSENT:

Mayor Alton Craft

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, October 27, 2020, at approximately 6:29 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 Harmon, Meadowbrook Baptist Church, prayed the Invocation.

Council President Spurlin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Spurlin stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the October 13th, 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 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, and Henderson; nays: none; abstentions: Council Member Spurlin. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Andy Green, Linda Hearn and Angie McVeigh, Calhoun County 2020 Census Complete Committee, presented Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, with a 2020 Census Champion award.

Council President Spurlin presented the following proclamation to Alan Atkinson, City Clerk;

Proclamation – Alan Atkinson Appreciation Day

Ordinance No. 2020- 24 — Ordinance declaring certain real property owned by the City as surplus and authorizing its sale to the Oxford Board of Education in the total amount of \$4,000.00

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2020-24. 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 2020-24, Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2020-24. 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 2020-24 was approved.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2020- 124 – Resolution awarding the bid and authorizing a contract for drainage improvements along Spring Branch Road, Tower Road, and Elm Street with Eugene Turner General Contracting in the total amount of \$86,850.00.

Resolution No. 2020 – 125 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to submit an Alabama Transportation Rehabilitation and Improvement II Program (ATRIP II) Application for widening and other improvements on U. S. Highway 78 from Leon Smith Parkway to Bobo Lane.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2020-124 and 2020-125. 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 2020-124 through 2020-125, were approved.

Resolution No. 2020 – 126 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to make an appropriation in the amount of \$18,097.00 for a welcome sign for downtown to be constructed by Hale Building Company, Inc.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-126, a resolution authorizing the Mayor to make an appropriation in the amount of \$18,097.00 for a welcome sign for downtown to be constructed by Hale Building Company, Inc. 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 2020-126 was approved.

Resolution No. 2020 – 127 – Resolution to suspend the rule requiring the City Council to meet on the second Tuesday of November, 2020 and to schedule a Council Meeting on Monday, November 2, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-127, a resolution to suspend the rule requiring the City Council to meet on the second Tuesday of November, 2020 and to schedule a Council Meeting on Monday, November 2, 2020, at 11:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall. 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 2020-127 was approved.

Council Member Henderson stated he wanted to congratulate Mayor Craft on a successful first term in office. He thanked the other Council Members for a productive four year term. He congratulated the Oxford High School Football Team on making the playoffs. He thanked the Mayor and Chief Partridge for providing lighting and an officer at the Meadowbrook Baptist Church Fall Festival.

Council Member Hubbard stated that Hallow Week activities would be going on all week downtown and she thanked the staff for their hard work on the Hallow Week activities.

Council President Spurlin stated he was looking forward to another four years of working with this Council.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for November 24, 2020, to consider condemnations at 1010 Mountainview Circle and 214 1st Avenue Pinecrest.

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 6:48 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

October 27, 2020: Regular Meeting