OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

January 28, 2020

TIME:

6:32 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. Mike Henderson, Council Member

ABSENT:

Mr. Phil Gardner, 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, January 28, 2020, at approximately 6:32 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Clint McCall, Meadowbrook Baptist Church, prayed the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Spurlin stated tonight we have Ada Champion to lead us in our pledge. Ada is a 4th grader at Oxford Elementary School. Her parents are Reese and Cindy Champion. Ada enjoys softball, basketball and archery. At school, she is a member of the Safety Patrol, Broadcast Team, Jacket Sing-sations and 4-H. Her favorite subject is Math and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Calvert. When Ada grows up, she wants to be a teacher or baker. Ada is the youngest of three girls. She is the proud aunt to Lillian. She greatly loves her sisters and brother-in-laws.

Ada Champion led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Spurlin thanked Ada Champion 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 January 14th and 21st, 2020 meetings. Council Member Hubbard made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Waits.

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, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2019- 145 – Resolution awarding the bid for the Concessions/Catering Sales for the Parks and Recreation Department to Sasha Lawley.

Council President Spurlin stated the Council wished to discuss In Executive Session the good name and character of an individual in reference to this resolution and asked for a motion to table this resolution.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to table Resolution No. 2019-145. The motion was seconded by Council Member Waits; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Craft presented the following proclamation to Misty Gardner, Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Northeast Alabama.

<u>Proclamation</u> – National Mentoring Month

The Council recognized and commended the Oxford High School Football Team, Cheerleaders and Band.

Recognition – Oxford High School Football Team – 6A State Champions

Coach Etheredge stated they had plaques to present to the Council and Mayor from the football team.

Council Member Waits stated he appreciated the way Coach Etheredge had treated the players throughout the season. He stated the team had made an impressive comeback in the championship game. He also stated that the band story at the championship game was very impressive. He stated he was proud of all of them and the crowd support.

Jackie Swinford, Talladega County Commission, presented proclamations to the football team and to the coaches. He presented a check for the Oxford City Schools Education Foundation.

Resolution No. 2020- 03 – Resolution authorizing an advertising contract in the amount of \$5,000.00 with Jacksonville State University for Softball Fan Day.

Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-03. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-03 was passed and adopted.

Resolution No. 2020- 04 — Resolution authorizing an appropriation in the total amount of \$22,000,00 to the Oxford City Schools Education Foundation.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-04. The motion was seconded by Council Member Waits; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-04 was passed and adopted.

Resolution No. 2020-05 – Resolution awarding a bid for the purchase of a Heavy Duty Lowboy Tractor to Nextran Truck Center in the total amount of \$125,967,00

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-05. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-05 was passed and adopted.

Resolution No. 2020-06 – Resolution awarding a bid for the purchase of a Heavy Duty Chassis with Dump Body and Third Axle to Nextran Truck Center in the total amount of \$154,208.00

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-06. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-06 was passed and adopted.

Mayor Craft stated that at the Green Power event at Choccolocco Park he heard many comments and compliments about the friendliness of Oxford.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set public hearings for February 11, 2020, to consider a zoning request from Word Alive International Outreach to rezone property located at 167, 154, 313, 122, 250, 229 and 322 Allendale Road and 259, 265, 267, and 275 Coldwater Road from Residential (R-1) to Residential (R-3) and to consider a zoning request from H & H Property Rentals to rezone property located at 804 Hale Street from Residential (R-2) to Neighborhood Shopping Center (NSC).

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set a public hearing for February 11, 2020, to consider the request from RaceTrac Petroleum, Inc., and Jay Mahraj, LLC to vacate Berry Street between Elm Street and Grace Street.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set a public hearing for February 11, 2020, to consider condemnation at 3093 U. S. Highway 78 West.

Aaron Sexton addressed the Council and thanked the coaches and football team for their hard work and dedication this past season.

Council President Spurlin stated the Council would be going into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual 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 going into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual.

Council Member Waits made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and the Council went into Executive Session at approximately 6:57 o'clock p.m.

The Council reconvened at approximately 8:09 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting back to order.

Council Member Waits made a motion to remove from the table Resolution No. 2019-145. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried.

Resolution No. 2019- 145 – Resolution awarding the bid for the Concessions/Catering Sales for the Parks and Recreation Department to Sasha Lawley.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2019-145. The motion was seconded by Council Member Waits; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2019-145 was passed and adopted.

Council President Spurlin stated they were going to add the following resolution to the agenda and recognized Council Member Henderson.

Resolution No. 2020-07 – Resolution authorizing a loan to Oxford Emergency Medical Services Board in the amount of \$175,000.00 with a one year single pay note with 2% interest and the note can be renegotiated at the end of one year.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2020-07. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin;

nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2020-07 was passed and adopted.

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 8:09 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

January 28, 2020: Regular Meeting

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