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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: February 9, 2021  
TIME: 6:28 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, February 9, 2021, at approximately 6:28 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Pastor Greg Ford, Grace Baptist Church, 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 26th, 2021 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

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to receive comments on the condemnation notice sent to Bobby Glen Character for a structure located at 3263 Airport Road 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 Bobby Glen Character for a structure located at 3263 Airport Road to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

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No one addressed the Council concerning said condemnation notice sent to Bobby Glen Character for a structure located at 3263 Airport Road to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned.

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to receive comments on the condemnation notice sent to Bobby Glen Character for a structure located at 3263 Airport Road to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, closed.

Ordinance No. 2021 – 02 – Ordinance amending the City Code, Section 42.53, Three Way Stop Intersections; for the intersection of Spring Branch Road and Tower Road.

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-02. 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 2021-02, Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2021-02. 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 2021-02 was approved.

Ordinance No. 2021 – 03 – Ordinance declaring real property surplus on Hale Street and authorizing its sale to James W. Justice for \$2,500.00.

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-03. 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 2021-03, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2021-03. 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 Ordinance Number 2021-03 was approved.

Resolution No. 2021 – 30 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 3263 Airport Road.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2021-30. 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 Resolution Number 2021-30 was approved.

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

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CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2021- 31 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign an easement at Choccolocco Park with Alabama Power Company.

Resolution No. 2021- 32 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a parking lot lease with Hartwell Masonic Lodge #101, 600 Main Street.

Resolution No. 2021- 33 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a Service Agreement with Trane for the Library’s HVAC and BAS equipment.

Resolution No. 2021- 34 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute a lease agreement with Terry Warren for a restaurant at Cider Ridge Golf Course.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2021-31 through 2021-34. 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 2021-31 through 2021-34, were approved.

Resolution No. 2021- 35 – Resolution reappointing Jack Mize to the Public Building Authority.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2021-35, a resolution reappointing Jack Mize to the Public Building Authority. 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 Resolution Number 2021-35 was approved.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve a motion amending Resolution No. 2021-29, (a resolution authorizing the Mayor to negotiate the purchase of property located off Leon Smith Parkway for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00) for an amended amount authorized not to exceed \$75,000.00. 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.

Council Member Hubbard thanked the Mayor and all the staff who worked at the vaccine clinic at the Oxford Civic Center for the past two days.

Mayor Craft stated that the City staff, RMC and student nurses from JSU worked at the vaccine clinic and did an outstanding job.

Chief Sparks, Fire Department, stated he had many compliments from the EMA on the job that the City staff did with the vaccine clinic.

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Council President Spurlin stated the Council would be recessing into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual not employed by the City 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 good name and character of an individual not employed by the City.

Council Member Gardner made a motion for the Council to go into Executive Session to discuss the good name and character of an individual not employed by the City. 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 recessed into Executive Session at approximately 6:40 o'clock p.m.

The Council reconvened at approximately 7:41 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting back to order.

Resolution No. 2021- 36 – Resolution to negotiate a lease for Cider Ridge Golf Course with Cory Etter.


Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2021-36, a resolution to negotiate a lease for Cider Ridge Golf Course with Cory Etter. The motion was seconded by Council Member Gardner; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: Council Members Hubbard and Waits. The motion carried and Resolution Number 2021-36 was approved.

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 7:43 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
OXFORD, ALABAMA

  
Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

  
Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk  
February 9, 2021: Regular Meeting