OXFORD CITY COUNCIL MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE:

March 9, 2021

TIME:

6:34 P.M.

PLACE: PRESENT:

Oxford City Hall

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, March 9, 2021, at approximately 6:34 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Tracy Shaddix, Antioch 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 February 23, 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

William Rozier, Cheaha Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution, made a presentation to Officer Joshua Hardeman for his life saving efforts of a one year old infant.

Chief Partridge, Police Department, made a presentation of a Lifesaving Award to Officer Joshua Hardeman for his life saving efforts of a one year old infant.

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to receive comments on the condemnation notice sent to Earl Murray for a structure located at 226 Ross

Street 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 Earl Murray for a structure located at 226 Ross Street 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 Earl Murray for a structure located at 226 Ross Street 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 Earl Murray for a structure located at 226 Ross Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, closed.

Ordinance No. 2021 – 04 – Ordinance declaring real property surplus on U. S. Highway 78 and authorizing its conveyance to Holmes and Holmes Holding LLC Series 21 for the construction of a retention pond.

Council Member Waits made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-04. 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 2021-04, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2021-04. 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 2021-04 was approved.

Resolution No. 2021 – 40 – Resolution condemning the structure located at 226 Ross Street.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution Number 2021-40. 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 2021-40 was approved.

Council Member Gardner made a motion appointing Council President Spurlin and Council Member Henderson respectively, as the Voting Delegate and 1st Alternate Voting Delegate for the Business Session of the Annual Convention of the Alabama League of Municipalities on Friday, May 14, 2021 at 3:30 p.m. 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.

Ordinance No. 2021 – 05 – Ordinance prohibiting the sale or delivery of certain dangerous substances sold and marketed as a dietary supplement affecting the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Oxford, Alabama and providing for a penalty for violation.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-05. 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.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-05, Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2021-05, an ordinance prohibiting the sale or delivery of certain dangerous substances sold and marketed as a dietary supplement affecting the public health, safety and welfare of the City of Oxford, Alabama and providing for a penalty for violation. 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 2021-05 was approved.

Mayor Craft thanked the Council and the City Department Heads for their help concerning the proposed local legislation to take a portion of the ad valorem taxes to fund the Commissioner of License and Tax Collector's Office. He thanked all the City departments for their work during the Covid pandemic and the vaccination process.

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 6:50 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

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