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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: April 27, 2021  
TIME: 6:31 P.M.  
PLACE: Oxford Performing Arts Center  
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 Performing Arts Center of the City of Oxford, Alabama, on Tuesday, April 27, 2021, at approximately 6:31 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 Dell Kimberly, Betta View Hills Church of Christ, prayed the Invocation.

Kaylee 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 April 13, 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 stated they would like to welcome and recognize the students participating in Student Government Day and stated Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, would read their names and positions into the record.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, stated the students participating in Student Government Day were:

*Administrative Police Clerk, Hayden LeFoy, Animal Control Officer, Trenton Lott, Assistant Police Chief, Trey Mooney, Building Inspector, Tucker Starling, City Attorney, Ceilia Reaves*

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*and Savanna Lambert, City Clerk, Ivonne Camacho, City Council, Kaylee Spurlin, Emma McCullough, Channing Gallahar, Heather Wright, Emily Lott Superintendent of Education, Ashleigh Whatley, City Judge, Donovan Miller-Lowe, Garage Foreman, Austin Sanderson, City Librarian, Jamyia Massey Court Clerk, Aniya Wilson, Department of Transportation, Xanthia Bradford Finance Director, Gabby Austin, Police Chief, Brock Killian Jury Members, Lindley Thompson, Mikyia Gray, Trinity Dalrymple, Aaliyah Williams, Ajiela West, Haylee McGuffie, Ceanna Dickerson, Secretary to the Mayor, Alexis Bates Mayor, Trey Higgins, Parks & Recreation Director, Jackson Ray Police Dispatcher, Jazmine Young, Police Lieutenant, Ariel Childers, Will Spurlin and Landon Howell, Fire Chief, Caitlin Miller, Assistant Fire Chief, George Cole, Fire Inspector, Kerrion Curry, Police Sergeants, Nathan Robbins, Josh Whaley, Cade Hilbun and Gavin Orcut Superintendent of Water, Antonia Marquez, Public Defender, Victoria Perry and Lisa Montgomery, Street Superintendent, Arianna Curry, IT Director, Brayden Dutton Marketing Director, Hannah Wilder Performing Arts Center Director (OPAC), Desman Threatt and Gabrielle Robersshaw Main Street Director, Lauren Gallahar, 3-11 Director, Deloise Smith*

Amy Henderson, Library Director, made a presentation concerning the Alabama Virtual Library.

Ordinance No. 2021- 09 - Ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance, Article 4, Section 4.01, General Use Regulations. (Second Reading)

Council President Spurlin asked if there was a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2021-09. No one made a motion concerning Ordinance No. 2021-09. Council President Spurlin stated that Ordinance No. 2021-09 was dead for lack of any motion.

Ordinance No. 2021- 10 – Ordinance adopting the State Sales Tax Holiday for 2021 (July 16-18)

Council Member Henderson made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2021-10. 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 2021-10, Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance

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Number 2021-10. 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 2021-10 was approved.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2021- 60 – Resolution reappointing Alyssa Enzor Baxley and Ronnie Higginbotham to the Zoning Board of Adjustments.

Resolution No. 2021- 61 – Resolution declaring certain equipment surplus and authorizing their sale/disposal.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2021-60 and 2021-61. 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 2021-60 and 2021-61, were approved.

Resolution No. 2021- 62 – Resolution authorizing the appropriation of funds in the total amount of \$58,475.00 to GRIDSMART Technologies Inc. for equipment to make traffic signal modifications at Leon Smith Parkway.

Council Member Waits made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2021-62, a resolution authorizing the appropriation of funds in the total amount of Fifty Eight Thousand Four Hundred Seventy Five Dollars and no/100 (\$58,475.00) to GRIDSMART Technologies Inc. for equipment to make traffic signal modifications at Leon Smith Parkway. 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 the Consent Agenda, Resolution Number 2021-62 was approved.

Resolution No. 2021- 63 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the purchase of a storage building from the Shed Shop in an amount up to \$3,000.00.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to add to the agenda and approve Resolution No. 2021-63, a resolution amending the budget and authorizing the Mayor to execute the purchase of a storage building from the Shed Shop in an amount up to Three Thousand Dollars and no/100 (\$3,000.00). 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 Number 2021-62 was approved.

Council Member Henderson thanked the Mayor for the paving done near the Civic Center and stated the new Welcome to Oxford signage looked good.

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Council Member Hubbard stated there had been several positive comments about the Welcome to Historic Downtown Oxford sign. She thanked Adam Clark, Oxford High School, for his work with Student Government Day.

Mayor Craft stated that the State of Alabama was repaving U. S. Highway 78 from the western bypass to the eastern bypass.


Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set a public hearing for May 11, 2021 to consider a zoning request from Shawn Curry to rezone property at 5776 Highway 78 W. from Neighborhood Shopping Center (NSC) to Agriculture District (AG).

Bill Bunn addressed the Council and stated they had a very successful litter cleanup recently along Airport Road.

John Longshore, Director, OPAC, addressed the Council and stated that the City had applied for Federal grant monies for entertainment venues recently and thanked everyone for their help. He thanked the Mayor and Council for their support of OPAC and the staff. He introduced Julio Barreto, a new OPAC staff member.

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 7:12 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED  
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
OXFORD, ALABAMA

  
Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:



Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk  
April 27, 2021: Regular Meeting