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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: April 24, 2018
TIME: 6:31 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. Mike Henderson, Council Member

ABSENT: 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, April 24, 2018, 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.

Dr. Ben Character, Meadowbrook Baptist Church, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Spurlin stated tonight we have Genesis Alvarez to lead us in our pledge. Genesis is a 4th grade student at DeArmanville Elementary School. Her parents are Cecilia and Alejandro Alvarez. Genesis enjoys art, gymnastics and ballet. Her favorite subject is Math and her favorite teacher is Mrs. Stacie Ray. When Genesis grows up, she wants to be a professional gymnast.

Genesis Alvarez led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Spurlin thanked Genesis Alvarez 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 April 10, 2018 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, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried.

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NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2018- 07 – Ordinance to exempt certain “covered items” from the Municipal Sales and Use Tax during the third full weekend of July, 2018 (State Sales Tax Holiday)

ORDINANCE NO. 2018-07

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, ALABAMA, TO EXEMPT CERTAIN “COVERED ITEMS” FROM THE MUNICIPAL SALES AND USE TAX DURING THE THIRD FULL WEEKEND OF JULY, 2018, AS AUTHORIZED BY ACT 2017-120, GENERALLY REFERRED TO AS THE STATE SALES TAX HOLIDAY LEGISLATION.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF OXFORD, ALABAMA, AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION ONE: In conformity with the provisions Act 2017-120 enacted by the Alabama Legislature during the 2017 Regular Session, providing for a State Sales Tax Holiday, the City of Oxford, Alabama, exempts “covered items” from municipal sales and use tax of 4 percent (4%) during the same period, beginning at 12:01 a.m. on the third Friday in July 2018 (July 20, 2018) and ending at twelve midnight the following Sunday (July 22, 2018).

SECTION TWO: This ordinance shall be subject to all terms, conditions, definitions, time periods, and rules as provided by Act 2017-120, except that the time period shall only be specified in Section One above and not for all years thereafter.

SECTION THREE: The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to certify a copy of this ordinance under the seal of the City of Oxford, Alabama, and to forward said certified copy to the Alabama Department of Revenue to be recorded and posted on the Department website.

SECTION FOUR: This ordinance shall become effective upon its passage by the Council and by advertising as required by law.

APPROVED and ADOPTED this 24th day of April, 2018.

CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA

By: /s/ Chris Spurlin, Council President

By: /s/ Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member

By: /s/ Steven Waits, Council Pro Tempore

By: /s/ Mike Henderson, Council Member

APPROVED:

By: /s/ Alton Craft, Mayor

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ATTEST:

/s/ Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk

Council Member Hubbard made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2018-07. 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.

Unanimous consent of the Council having been given for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2018-07, Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 2018-07. 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 Ordinance Number 2018-07 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 31 – Resolution reappointing Susan Miller to the Public Building Authority.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-31. 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 No. 2018-31 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 32 – Resolution authorizing an appropriation of \$5,000 to the Alabama Law Enforcement Appreciation Foundation.

Council Member Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-32. 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 No. 2018-32 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 33 – Resolution reappointing Stanley C. Allen as Municipal Court Judge.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-33. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard.

Council President Spurlin stated they appreciated Mr. Allen continuing to serve as Municipal Court Judge.

On call of the roll on Council Member Henderson's motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-33 and Council Member Hubbard's second to said motion the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Waits, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Gardner. The motion carried and Resolution No. 2018-33 was approved.

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Council Member Henderson made a motion appointing Council Member Hubbard and Council President Spurlin 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 Monday, May 21, 2018 at 3:45 p.m.; 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. 2018- 34 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement with Payment Express for credit card terminals and a payment processing system at the Oxford Performing Arts Center.

Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-34. 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 No. 2018-34 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 35 – Resolution reappointing Greg Skinner to Oxford Emergency Services Board.

Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-35. 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 No. 2018-35 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 36 – Resolution appointing Shannon Stephens to Oxford Emergency Services Board.

Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-36. 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 No. 2018-36 was approved.

Council President Spurlin stated that the Oxford High School Students participating in Student Government Day were present at the meeting and the Council wanted to recognize them.

The students present were: Caleb Lambert, Brooklyn Chatman, Dylan Nesbitt, Kendrick Foster, Marilou Jackson, Dalton Yates, Kate Love, Demond Chandler, Ashleigh Reaves, Shelby Caldwell, Carson Freeman, Matt King, Anna Bolton, Paige Stephens, Brenton ball, Sydney Osburn, Dylan Haynes, Brennan McCullough, Katana Kline, Zy'shavia Garrett, Kayla Huckeba, TeErica Taylor, Montana Humphries, Gracee Williams, Kellie Hillbun, Ethan Whitley, Bobby Love, Kurt Morphus, Alexis Hale, Mindy Owens, Emilee McWhorter, Skylar Yancy, Ashlyn Miller, Ashlyn Gallahar, Katie Jackson, Alex Hammond, Jasey Barnett, Lauren Smith, Jackson Hurst, Andrew Halpin, Drake Boyles, Hayden Williams, Olivia Achille, Hector Caceras, Makayla Kidd, Mackenzie Prater, and Heavyn Leigh Whiteside.

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Council Member Henderson stated that Student Government Day had been going on since he was in high school and he appreciated the school and the students continued participation.

Council Member Hubbard read the following letter into the record:

RE: Oxford Historic District, Main Street and Choccolocco Street, Oxford, Calhoun County

Dear Mayor Craft:

The Alabama Historical Commission is pleased to inform you that the above referenced property has been favorably reviewed and is now listed on the Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage.

The Alabama Register is a prestigious listing of historic, architectural and archaeological landmarks. These selected Alabama landmarks are worthy of both recognition and preservation. Listing on the stated register is an honorary designation imposing no benefits or restrictions on property owners.

For additional information on the other programs offered by the Alabama Historical Commission, please contact me or visit our website at www.ahc.alabama.gov

The Alabama Historical Commission appreciates your efforts to preserve Alabama's historic resources. I wish you much success in all endeavors and look forward to working with you on future preservation projects.

Very truly yours,

Hannah Garmon

Coordinator, Alabama Register of Landmarks and Heritage

Council Member Hubbard thanked Rod Harris and Hunter Gentry for their work on this project. She stated this designation puts no restrictions on property owners.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set a public hearing for May 8th, 2018 to consider a condemnation hearing on 1719 and 1723 Golden Springs Road.

Council President Spurlin stated that there would be a Public Forum on May 1, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., at the Oxford Civic Center to discuss the subject of Sunday alcohol sales.

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 6:53 o'clock p.m.

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APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
April 24, 2018: Regular Meeting