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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: December 17, 2018
TIME: 6:36 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 Monday, December 17, 2018, at approximately 6:36 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

Chief Sparks, Fire Department, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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 December 11, 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, Gardner, Waits, and Henderson; nays: none; abstentions: Council President Spurlin. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2018 – 20 – Ordinance amending the City Code, Article VIII – Hotel, Transient Lodging and Occupancy Tax, Section 22-254 – Tax levied within corporate limits; amount, application and Section 22-255 – Tax levied within the police jurisdiction of city; amount, application.

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Council Member Gardner made a motion for the unanimous consent of the Council for the immediate consideration of Ordinance Number 2018-20. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: Council Member Waits. The motion failed.

Council President Spurlin stated that Ordinance Number 2018-20 did not receive unanimous consent for immediate consideration and would have to be held over till a later meeting.

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to receive comments on the proposed condemnation sent to WAC Properties LLC for a structure located at 505 Quintard Avenue to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council concerning said proposed condemnation.

Barry Farmer, 171 Ossington Avenue, Anniston, addressed the Council concerning said proposed condemnation for a structure located at 505 Quintard Avenue and stated he had purchased the property and was in the process of having the structure demolished and stated thirty days should be sufficient time to complete the demolition.

Council President Spurlin asked if anyone else wished to address the Council concerning said proposed condemnation.

No one else addressed the Council concerning said proposed condemnation.

Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to receive comments on the proposed condemnation sent to WAC Properties LLC for a structure located at 505 Quintard Avenue to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned closed.

Resolution No. 2018- 154 – Resolution condemning the structure at 505 Quintard Avenue.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-154 with the stipulation that the City would take no action concerning the property for thirty days. The motion was seconded by Council Member Waits; 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 No. 2018-154 was approved.

Council President Spurlin announced that was the time for the public hearing to receive comments on the proposed condemnation sent to Deborah Waddell for a structure located at 305 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned, declared the public hearing open and asked if anyone wished to address the Council concerning said proposed condemnation.

No one addressed the Council concerning said proposed condemnation.

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Council President Spurlin declared the public hearing to receive comments on the proposed condemnation sent to Deborah Waddell for a structure located at 305 W. 5th Street to show cause, if any, as to why the structure located on the property should not be condemned closed.

Resolution No. 2018- 155 – Resolution condemning the structure at 305 W. 5th Street.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-155. 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 Resolution No. 2018-155 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018 – 156 - Resolution authorizing a tax abatement for Doncasters Southern Tool LLC, dba Southern Tool.

Council President Spurlin stated this addition for Southern Tool was supposed to add approximately fifty new employees.

Council Member Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-156. 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 No. 2018-156 was approved.

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

CONSENT AGENDA:

Resolution No. 2018- 157 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 917 County Line Road in the amount of \$300.00.

Resolution No. 2018- 158 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 148 U. S. Highway 78 W. in the amount of \$289.00.

Resolution No. 2018- 159 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1301 Jackson Avenue in the amount of \$289.00.

Resolution No. 2018- 160 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 2105 Sue Drive in the amount of \$1,818.79.

Resolution No. 2018- 161 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1412 Dogwood Drive in the amount of \$289.00.

Resolution No. 2018- 162 – Resolution declaring equipment surplus at the City of Oxford Library.

Resolution No. 2018- 163 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute an easement with Alabama Power at the EMACC Center.

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Resolution No. 2018- 164 – Resolution awarding the bid for the Concessions/Catering Sales for the Parks and Recreation Department to the Grid Iron.

Resolution No. 2018- 165 – Resolution authorizing the sale of a surplus Fire Department Pumper Truck to the Quad Cities Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$17,000.00.

Resolution No. 2018- 166– Resolution adopting the 2018 Calhoun County Hazard Mitigation Plan update.

Resolution No. 2018- 167– Resolution appropriating \$8,000.00 for drainage repairs on South Main Street.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, Resolution Numbers 2018-157 through 2018-167. 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 Numbers 2018-157 through 2018-167, was approved.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set a public hearing for January 8, 2019, to amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article 9, Section 9.06, Signs Permitted in Nonresidential Districts.

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 6:49 o'clock p.m.

APPROVED
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
OXFORD, ALABAMA

Chris Spurlin, Council President

AUTHENTICATED:

Alan B. Atkinson, City Clerk
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