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OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: January 23, 2018
TIME: 6:25 P.M.
PLACE: Oxford City Hall
PRESENT: Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council President
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council Member

ABSENT: Mayor Alton Craft
Mr. Steven Waits, Council President Pro Tempore

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, January, 2018, at approximately 6:33 o'clock p.m. Council President Spurlin called the meeting to order.

Ron Allen, City Attorney, was present.

Alan Atkinson, City Clerk, was present.

John Ross, Betta View Hills Church of Christ, gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council President Spurlin stated tonight we have Carson Freeman to lead us in our pledge. Carson is a senior at oxford High School. His parents are Brandon and Laurie Freeman. Carson enjoys golf, swimming and hunting. At school he is involved in Scholars Bowl, FBLA, Swim Team and is a member of the Key Club. His favorite subject is history and his favorite teacher is Mr. Chris Pope. Carson graduates in the top 10% of his class in May and plans to attend Auburn University to major in Business.

Carson Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Council President Spurlin thanked Carson Freeman for leading the Pledge of Allegiance and thanked him 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 January 9, 2018 meeting. Council Member Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard.

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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, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried.

Council President Spurlin stated that Council Member Waits was out of town tonight on a business trip. He stated that Mayor Craft and Chief Partridge were absent tonight because they had been invited to attend a Council of mayors for small cities and they would be meeting with the President of the United States tomorrow.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2018- 05 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into an agreement to purchase property at 518 Central Avenue.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-05. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hubbard.

Council Member Henderson stated that this property had an assessed value of \$48,000 and was adjacent to City property at Oxford Lake.

On call of the roll on Council Member Gardner's motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-05 and Council Member Hubbard's second to said motion the votes of the Council were as follows: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Resolution No. 2018-05 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 06 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 2100 Douglas Drive.

Council Member Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-06. 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: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Resolution No. 2018-06 was approved.

Resolution No. 2018- 07 – Resolution opposing HB110 and SB130.

Council President Spurlin stated that if these bills were passed by the State Legislature they would cause considerable revenue loss to municipalities in Alabama and the City of Oxford would lose almost \$1 million dollars per year in tax revenue if these bills were passed.

Council Member Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-06. The motion was seconded by Council Member Henderson; and on call of the roll the following vote was recorded: ayes: Council Members Hubbard, Gardner, Henderson and Spurlin; nays: none; absent: Council Member Waits. The motion carried and Resolution No. 2018-06 was approved.

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Council Member Henderson congratulated the Oxford High Boys Basketball Team for their performance in Calhoun County Basketball Tournament as the runner-up in the tournament and congratulated the High School Wrestling Team for their success this season.

Council Member Hubbard stated that the Oxford High School would be unveiling “The Wall” this Friday that would honor Oxford students attaining a score of 30 or better on their ACT.

Council President Spurlin stated that Cub Scout Pack 9 was attending the Council Meeting tonight and thanked them for their interest in government.

Council President Spurlin stated they needed to set a public hearing for February 13th, 2018 to consider the following request which was approved by the Oxford Planning Commission at their January 2nd, 2018 meeting: To amend the Zoning Ordinance, Article 6, Special Districts, Section 6.02, FC Flood Plain and Conservation District.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Council Member Henderson made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Spurlin declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 6:35 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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