

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: March 22, 2016  
TIME: 6:30 P.M.  
PLACE: Oxford City Hall  
PRESENT: Mr. Steven Waits, Council President  
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council President Pro Tempore  
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member  
Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council Member  
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member

ABSENT: Mayor Leon Smith

The meeting was called to order by Council President Steven Waits and Shirley Henson, City Clerk of the City, served as the Clerk of the meeting.

Ben Character of Meadowbrook Baptist Church gave the invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mr. Waits stated tonight we are recognizing Amaya Cook. Amaya is a sophomore at Oxford High School. Her parents are Salena and Anthony Cook. Amaya enjoys dance, writing, and singing. At school Amaya is a member of the Ambassadors, Honor Society, and HOSA Club. Her favorite subject is Health and her favorite teacher is Ms. Webb. Upon graduating from Oxford High, Amaya wants to be a Speech Therapist. We are recognizing Amaya tonight for her character and her academics in the school system. We appreciate you and everything you have done.

Amaya Cook led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Waits thanked and congratulated Amaya. Mr. Waits stated keep up the good work.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mr. Waits stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the March 10, 2016 regular meeting. Mr. Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Spurlin.

Mr. Waits called for any comments or questions; there being none, on roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: Mrs. Hubbard "Yea", Mr. Gardner "Yea", Mr. Spurlin "Yea", Mr. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mr. Waits called for any old business; there was none.

## NEW BUSINESS

### Resolution No. 2016-33 – Authorizing the Mayor to issue payment to the Anniston Star in the amount of \$1,000.00 for promotion of the City in the Relocation Guide.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-33. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gardner.

Mr. Waits called for comments or questions.

Mrs. Hubbard thanked Emil Loeken, Marketing Director for his work on this. We look forward to our presence in that magazine which will be at the rest stops and other areas throughout the county welcoming people to the County and Oxford.

On roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: Mrs. Hubbard “Yea”, Mr. Gardner “Yea”, Mr. Spurlin “Yea”, Mr. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

### Resolution No. 2016-34 – Change order for Hurst Construction on the Special Operations Facility at the Oxford Police Department in the amount of \$64,535.70.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-34. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

Mr. Waits called for comments or questions.

Mr. Waits stated this is a change order for the Special Operations Building for some dirt work.

On roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: Mrs. Hubbard “Yea”, Mr. Gardner “Yea”, Mr. Spurlin “Yea”, Mr. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Waits stated I would like to recognize Robin Leonard for a presentation from the Beautification Board.

Mrs. Leonard stated she is representing the Beautification Board along with Bill Bunn. We started the Beautification Awards Program in 2015 to recognize property in the city limits that we felt enhanced the appearance of Oxford and made it a more inviting place for people. We have made several awards but our more recent award we would like to award to the Home Owners Association of Meadow Lakes for the entrances to the subdivision. I would like to recognize their members here Terry Russell, Tony Moyer and Gene Boyd. We actually went out in December and took the signs to them so they could have them installed and we wanted to make an official presentation at a Council meeting.

Mr. Waits stated what a beautiful neighborhood.

Mrs. Hubbard stated I would like to say thank you to Robin and the other Beautification Board members that could not be here for this effort on behalf of the City. You are doing an excellent

job locating properties and just really noticing things across the City. I have had several comments on our Facebook page and it is really getting some likes and some looks. I am excited about our next presentation which will be in the spring. Just a reminder anyone can nominate people in their neighborhood or some place you just drive by in the City that you would like to be recognized. If you have any of those ideas you can find Robin at work in Dorsey's downtown or you can let me know at a Council meeting. It is also on the City's website.

Mr. Waits stated thank you gentleman and it is a beautiful neighborhood.

### **COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS**

Mr. Waits called for Council Comments.

Mr. Henderson stated Happy Easter.

### **MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

Mr. Waits stated Mayor Smith is absent.

### **Visitors**

Mr. Waits called for any comments or questions from anyone present. There were none.

Mr. Waits asked for a motion to go into Executive Session to discussion real or possible litigation and asked Ron Allen, City Attorney to certify this.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gardner.

Mr. Waits called for comments or questions. On roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: Mrs. Hubbard "Yea", Mr. Gardner "Yea", Mr. Spurlin "Yea", Mr. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Waits stated we will go to the conference room and adjourn from there.

Mr. Waits stated City Hall will be closed Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> for Good Friday.

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mr. Gardner made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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Shirley Henson, City Clerk

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Steven Waits, Council President