

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: May 9, 2017
TIME: 6:30 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 meeting was called to order by Council President Chris Spurlin and Shirley Henson, City Clerk of the City, served as the Clerk of the meeting.

Scott Smith of Antioch Baptist Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Spurlin stated we have Gavin Lott who is a 4th grader at Coldwater Elementary School. His parents are Dean and Chrissie Lott. Gavin enjoys playing football, drawing, and going to church. At school he is involved in the Robotics Team, Safety Patrol, and Broadcast Team. His favorite subject is Math and his favorite teacher is Mrs. McWilliams. When Gavin grows up he wants to be a football player or an engineer.

Gavin Lott led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Spurlin stated great job Gavin and thank you for being here.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Spurlin stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the April 25, 2017 meeting. Mr. Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Mr. Waits.

Mr. Spurlin 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. Waits “Yea”, Mr. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Spurlin “Yea”. The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

Proclamation for Municipal Clerk's Week

Mr. Spurlin asked Mrs. Hubbard to read the Proclamation for Municipal Clerk's Week.

Proclamation for National Public Work's Week

Mayor Craft read the Proclamation for National Public Work's Week.

Ordinance No. 2017-09 – Ordinance mandating the placement of a traffic control device in the vicinity of 219 Puttenum Way.

Mr. Waits made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration permitting Ordinance No. 2017-09 to be adopted at this meeting. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2017-09. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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

Resolution No. 2017-55 – Resolution authorizing the Mayor to hire additional firefighters for the Friendship Fire Station.

Mr. Spurlin stated we are looking at completion date of around June 3rd for the Friendship Fire Station. This resolution will allow us to hire 6 additional firefighters for this station.

Mr. Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-55. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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

Resolution No. 2017-56 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 21 Alan Street.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-56. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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

Resolution No. 2017-57 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1494 Taylors Chapel Road.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-57. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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

Resolution No. 2017-58 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 990 Bynum Cutoff Road.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-58. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gardner.

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

Resolution No. 2017-59 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 19 Alan Street.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-59. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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

Resolution No. 2017-60 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1307 Circle Drive.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-60. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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

Resolution No. 2017-61 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 800 Ingram Street.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-61. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

Mr. Spurlin stated the property owners came in last week and paid the invoice on this property.

Mr. Spurlin called for comments or questions. On roll call the votes of the Council were as follows: Mrs. Hubbard “Nay”, Mr. Gardner “Nay”, Mr. Waits “Nay”, Mr. Henderson “Nay” and Mr. Spurlin “Nay”.

Resolution No. 2017-62 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 219 McKibbon Street.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-62. The motion was seconded by Mr. Waits.

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

Resolution No. 2017-63 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 535 Taylors Chapel Road.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-63. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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

Resolution No. 2017-64 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1419 Beck Road.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-64. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gardner.

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

Resolution No. 2017-65 – Resolution for the placement of a Municipal Lien on the property located at 1216 Jackson Avenue.

Mr. Spurlin asked if the property owners were present. They were not.

Mr. Waits made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-65. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Mr. Spurlin called for Council Comments.

Mrs. Hubbard invited everyone to the Legend of Lick Skillet Festival to be held Saturday, May 13th from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in downtown Oxford. There will be crafters, musicians and other vendors there. The Beautification Board will have a booth so please stop by. They will have information on recycling projects.

Mr. Henderson stated the Oxford Kiwanis Car Show will be held Saturday, May 13th at the Oxford Civic Center from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Spurlin thanked Mayor Craft for the National Day of Prayer services. We are lucky to have a Mayor who sees the importance of prayer and willing to participate in the National Day of Prayer.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mr. Spurlin asked Mayor Craft if he had any comments.

Mr. Craft stated the Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) Softball Championship starts Wednesday at Choccolocco Park. The Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) Track and Field Championship starts Thursday at Choccolocco Park. We expect around 900 athletes and 6,000 to 10,000 people at Choccolocco Park.

Visitors

Mr. Spurlin called for any comments or questions from anyone present.

Sue Stillwell of 4334 US Highway 78 West addressed the Council regarding yard sales. She stated that she lives on her property and was told she couldn’t have a yard sale. She stated that she had a run-in with an employee and called Mayor Craft. She stated she pays taxes and has lived here for 30 years. She stated she doesn’t appreciate being told what she can and can’t do on her property. She stated she would like to know why she was targeted.

Mike Roberts, Building Inspector informed the Council as to what happened with the employee and stated it will not happen again.

Mr. Spurlin stated that the Council was not aware of the situation and he was disappointed with the employee. We are trying to stop yard sales on the right-of-way and we will have an ordinance on it at the next Council meeting.

Mr. Spurlin stated the Council will need to go into Executive Session to discuss real estate. Mr. Spurlin asked Ron Allen, City Attorney to certify this.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to go into Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Waits.

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

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

Shirley Henson, City Clerk

Chris Spurlin, Council President