

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: November 24, 2015
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: Oxford City Hall
PRESENT: Mr. Steven Waits, Council President
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council President Pro Tempore
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member

ABSENT: Mayor Leon Smith
Mr. Chris Spurlin, Council Member

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.

Lem Burrell of Lakeview Baptist Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Waits stated we like to recognize students in our school system that are excelling in academics and character. Mike Tippetts fits that mold. Mike is a 4th grader at Dearmanville Elementary School. His parents are Duane and Lori Tippetts. Mike enjoys sports, playing in the woods, and doing experiments. He is working towards the Bear Rank in Cub Scout. He is also a gifted athlete in soccer, football, basketball, baseball, and swimming. Mike is a good example and role model for his three younger brothers. His favorite subject in school is Science and his favorite teacher is Ms. Hayes. When Mike grows up he wants to be a scientist (biologist/genetic engineer).

Mike Tippetts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Waits stated great job Mike and keep up the great work.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Waits stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the November 10, 2015 regular meeting. Mr. Henderson made a motion that the minutes be approved as presented. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried.

Mr. Waits stated that Mr. Spurlin is out of town and not with us tonight.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

Proclamation recognizing the month of November as Hospice and Palliative Care Month.

Mr. Waits stated with us tonight we have representatives from Alabama Hospice Care of Oxford, Alacare Home Health and Hospice and Gentiva Hospice. All three of these are extra special to us because their businesses are located in Oxford. They are representing the City of Oxford this month and we have a proclamation for each one of these hospice companies.

Mr. Waits recognized Mrs. Hubbard to read the proclamation.

Mr. Waits stated I do want to take one second to thank each of you for what you do. It is a tough, tough profession and I don't know if there is a more rewarding profession out there for you. Everyone in this is room is going to experience a family member or a close friend who is going to need you. I appreciate what you are doing and the calls I got from several of you about wanting to do this because of the goal of bringing awareness to hospice and what you can provide is critical because people don't know. So thank you for the energy and trying to make that happen. It is really, really important and also thanks to each of you for what you do because it is critical to our community to have you.

Mr. Henderson stated I can testify to that. My family has had the services of an Oxford provider and it is a very worthwhile service.

Ordinance No. 2015-21 – Ordinance amending the due date for certain Privileges and License Taxes concerning alcoholic beverages.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration permitting Ordinance No. 2015-21 to be adopted at this meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gardner.

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

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-21. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Ordinance No. 2015-22 – Ordinance accepting the deed for property on Hale Street.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration permitting Ordinance No. 2015-22 to be adopted at this meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2015-22. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-114 – Resolution appointing David Messer to the Citizens Advisory Committee.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-114. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-115 – Resolution for change order for Holmes II Excavation for the re-alignment of Boiling Springs Road in the amount of \$15,000.00 (adding sales tax to the project).

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-115. 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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-116 – Authorizing the Mayor to enter into a contractual agreement with r360, LLC for retail consulting services.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-116. 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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-117 – Resolution for an appropriation to the Northeast Alabama Entrepreneurial Center.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-117. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-118 – Resolution for an appropriation to Coosa Valley Youth Services.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-118. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-119 – Resolution for an appropriation to Children's Services, Inc.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-119. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-120 – Resolution for an appropriation to Rainbow Omega.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-120. 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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-121 - Resolution for an appropriation to Interfaith Ministries.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-121. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-122 – Resolution for an appropriation to Community Enabler.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-122. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-123 – Resolution for an appropriation to the Calhoun/Cleburne Children’s Center, Inc.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-123. 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. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Waits stated the next item on the agenda we are adding.

Resolution No. 2015-124 – Resolution approving a one time pay raise for all City employees.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-124. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

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. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2015-125 – Resolution for change order #002 for Eugene Turner for the Oxford Recreational Complex (a credit of \$66,977.82).

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-125. 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. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Mr. Waits called for Council Comments.

Mr. Henderson stated Happy Thanksgiving, War Eagle and go JSU.

Mrs. Hubbard stated the Christmas Parade has been moved to Tuesday, December 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Starting on Oak Street proceeding down Main Street and Snow Street. It is not going down Choccolocco Street.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mr. Waits stated Mayor Smith is absent.

Visitors

Mr. Waits stated City Hall will be closed on Thursday, November 26, 2015 and Friday, November 27, 2015 for Thanksgiving.

Mr. Waits stated Allied Waste will not run their regular route on Thursday, November 26, 2015 and will run one day behind through Saturday, November 28, 2015.

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

Shirley Henson, City Clerk

Steven Waits, Council President