

OXFORD CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING

DATE: September 23, 2014
TIME: 6:30 P.M.
PLACE: Oxford City Hall
PRESENT: Mayor Leon Smith
Mr. Steven Waits, Council President
Mr. Phil Gardner, Council Member
Mr. Mike Henderson, Council President Pro Tempore
Mrs. Charlotte Hubbard, Council Member
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.

Harold Mooneyham of Meadowbrook Baptist Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Waits stated at each Council Meeting we like to recognize a student who is excelling in character and academics and tonight we recognize Ms. Reyna Lopez. Reyna is an 8th grader at Oxford Middle School. Her parents are Rimalda Estaban and Jose Romero. She enjoys playing soccer and volleyball and her favorite classes are Career Prep and Power Math. Her favorite teacher is Mr. Phillips. She is a member of the National Honor Society. When Reyna finishes school she wants to be a doctor or registered nurse.

Congratulations Reyna and we appreciate what you do.

Reyna Lopez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Waits thanked Reyna and Ms. Estaban for being here.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Waits stated each member of the Council had previously received a copy of the minutes of the September 9, 2014 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. Spurlin "Abstain", Mr. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

Public Hearing

Mr. Waits declared the public hearing to update and adopt certain International Building Codes open. Mr. Waits recognized Mike Roberts, Building Inspector for comments.

Mr. Roberts stated our current Building Codes are from 2006. Mr. Waits called for questions or comments. There were none. Mr. Waits declared the public hearing closed.

Ordinance No. 2014-18 – Ordinance to update and adopt certain International Building Codes.

Mr. Spurlin made a motion to suspend the rules for immediate consideration permitting Ordinance No. 2014-18 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. Gardner “Yea”, Mr. Spurlin “Yea”, Mr. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Ordinance No. 2014-18. The motion was seconded by Mr. Spurlin.

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.

Presentation of the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget

Mr. Waits recognized Alton Craft, Finance Director for the presentation of the budget.

Mr. Craft thanked the Mayor and Council budgeting a \$833,247.30 surplus. In this budget we have over \$1 million in paving, a five percent raise for the employees, we have other capital projects that we will discuss later.

Mr. Spurlin stated I appreciate your and Aimee’s hard work. I was a little concerned in the work session but I know this is a little different from the way we have been approving the budget. I appreciate your hard work and we will just get with the department heads and work with them on the items they submitted on their wish list. I appreciate your work on the budget and you are doing a good job.

Mr. Waits thanked Mr. Craft for working on this so hard. You, Aimee, your whole department and all of the department heads for working hard on this and getting this to us.

Resolution No. 2014-70 – Approval of the Fiscal Year 2015 Budget.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-70. 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. Spurlin "Yea", Mr. Henderson "Yea" and Mr. Waits "Yea". The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2014-71 – Resolution extending the garbage contract with Allied Waste/Republic Services.

Mr. Spurlin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-71. The motion was seconded by Mrs. Hubbard.

Mr. Waits stated this will be at the same rate as our previous contract. We are actually just extending the contract.

Mr. Henderson stated the contract is actually with BFI, a subsidiary of Allied Waste so the resolution needs to be with BFI. Not that it is a big deal, it just might have been a typo or something.

Mr. Waits stated the resolution has been changed to BFI. Mr. Waits stated it needs to read Resolution No. 2014-71 – Resolution extending the garbage contract with BFI. Mr. Waits called for a motion.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-71. 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.

Resolution No. 2014-72 – Resolution authorizing Continuing Education for City Officials, Employees and Other Affiliated Personnel.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-72. The motion was seconded by Mr. Spurlin.

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.

Resolution No. 2014- 73 – Awarding the bid for aluminized steel type 2 corrugated metal pipe.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-73 to award the bid to Wells and Wells. 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.

Resolution No. 2014- 74 – Awarding the bid for concrete.

Mrs. Hubbard made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-74 to award the bid to Webb Concrete. The motion was seconded by Mr. Henderson.

Mr. Waits stated just to make a clarification so when the motion is made that item number 4 should say Webb Concrete Company instead of Webb Concrete.

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.

Resolution No. 2014- 75 – Awarding the bid for concrete pipe.

Mr. Gardner made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-75 to award the bid to Wells and Wells. 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. Spurlin “Yea”, Mr. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2014- 76 – Awarding the bid for guardrails.

Mr. Spurlin made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-76 to award the bid to Alabama Guardrail Incorporated. 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. Spurlin “Yea”, Mr. Henderson “Yea” and Mr. Waits “Yea”. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 2014- 77 – Awarding the bid for HDPE corrugated side drain pipe

Mr. Waits stated we are going to hold this resolution while further review is done on it.

Resolution No. 2014- 78 – Awarding the bid for traffic striping and pavement markers.

Mr. Henderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2014-78 to award the bid to Ozark Striping. 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.

COUNCIL REPORTS/COMMENTS

Mr. Waits called for Council Comments.

Mr. Henderson stated I want to remind everyone that this is Homecoming Week at Oxford High School. Thursday night is the community pep rally for the high school at the football stadium.

Mrs. Hubbard stated that will be preceded by the parade in Downtown Oxford at 6:00 p.m.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS

Mayor Smith stated he has no comments.

Mr. Waits stated we will set a Public Hearing for October 28, 2014 for the following: (A) to approve the condemnation of a structure located at 1419 Beck Road (B) to hear comments regarding a Historical Commission.

Visitors

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

Mr. Bill Bunn stated I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Mayor, Council, Finance Department and City Clerk for all of your hard work on the budget. I came down and got to witness firsthand how you manage our money and take care of our people and our citizens. Thank you for keeping this City in the position that it is in as a leader.

Mr. Henderson thanked Mr. Bunn for coming to the meetings and showing an interest in our City by being here. Mrs. Hubbard stated he serves on the Beautification Board.

Mr. Waits thanked Mr. Bunn for his comments.

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

Shirley Henson, City Clerk

Steven Waits, Council President