

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE OXFORD MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING REGULAR SESSION MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2023 – 7:00 PM CITY HALL

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

David Eady – Mayor George Holt – Councilmember Jeff Wearing – Councilmember Mike Ready – Councilmember Jim Windham – Councilmember Erik Oliver – Councilmember

APPOINTED/STAFF PRESENT:

Bill Andrew – City Manager Marcia Brooks – City Clerk/Treasurer Mark Anglin – Police Chief Jody Reid – Utilities/Maintenance Supervisor David Strickland – City Attorney

ELECTED OFFICIALS NOT PRESENT:

Laura McCanless – Councilmember

OTHERS PRESENT: Juanita Carson, Anderson Wright

- 1. The meeting was called to order by the Honorable David S. Eady, Mayor.
- 2. Erik Oliver made a motion to accept the agenda for the March 6, 2023 Mayor and Council Regular Meeting. Jeff Wearing seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (6/0). (Attachment A)
- 3. Erik Oliver made a motion to accept the Consent Agenda for March 6, 2023. Jeff Wearing seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (6/0). (Attachment B)
- 4. Mayor's Report

Jim Acurso from the U.S. Small Business Administration was scheduled to speak about assistance related to the January tornado but he was not present.

5. Citizen Concerns

Juanita Carson provided information about an upcoming event sponsored by East Metro for Social Justice regarding Affordable Housing in East Metro. The event will be held March 11, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. at the T.K. Adams Community Band Room. She also announced that the Oxford Lions Club will hold their annual pancake supper on March 24, 2023 from 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. at Flint Hill Elementary School.

6. <u>Consideration of a Water Bill Adjustment for Rust Chapel United Methodist Church</u>
Erik Oliver made a motion to approve the adjustment. George Holt seconded the motion.

Discussion:

Jim Windham requested a copy of the repair bill and spoke of the need for a policy regarding such situations. Mayor Eady advised a policy can be discussed at the April work session.

The motion was approved unanimously (6/0).

7. Consideration of a contract with Benise-Dowling for Exterior Lead Paint Removal and Exterior Painting of Old Church (Attachment C)

Jeff Wearing made a motion to approve the contract with Benise-Dowling, with the City of Oxford paying \$100,000 of the cost and the Oxford Historical Foundation paying the remainder. George Holt seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (6/0).

8. Consideration of a Five-Year MOU with the Oxford Historical Cemetery Foundation, Inc., and the City of Oxford (Attachment D)

George Holt made a motion to approve the MOU. Mike Ready seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (6/0).

9. **Invoices** (Attachment E)

George Holt asked several questions concerning Bureau Veritas invoices. He requested information about whether revenues are higher than expenditures. There was also discussion about the dates of the invoices listed.

Jim Windham brought up concerns about code violations not being addressed. He also mentioned that the City should work on an ordinance for nuisance houses.

Jeff Wearing asked if the invoice from Robert Jordan reflects details about hours worked. Marcia Brooks provided a copy of the invoice. Mayor Eady confirmed that specific details and hours about the job were provided.

Jim Windham asked for a review of the fees for groups using City Hall.

10. Executive Session

None.

11. Adjourn

Erik Oliver made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Mike Ready seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously (6/0).

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcia Brales

Marcia Brooks

City Clerk/Treasurer