



DRAFT MINUTES OF THE OXFORD MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING
Oxford Mayor and Council Regular Meeting
Monday, April 4, 2022 – 7:00 PM
Via Teleconference
DRAFT

Meeting Recording Available at <https://youtu.be/5Wo8Tp7r8bU>

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:

David Eady – Mayor
George Holt – Councilmember
Jeff Wearing – Councilmember
Laura McCanless – Councilmember
Mike Ready – Councilmember
Jim Windham – Councilmember

APPOINTED/STAFF PRESENT:

Bill Andrew – City Manager
Marcia Brooks – City Clerk/Treasurer
Mark Anglin – Police Chief
C. David Strickland – City Attorney

ELECTED OFFICIALS NOT PRESENT

Lynn Bohanan – Councilmember

OTHERS PRESENT: Art Vinson, Virginia Brown (Rust Chapel United Methodist Church), Theresa Eady, Dr. Lakliesha Izzard, Adrienne Vinson Wadley (Oxford College), Laura Gafnea (Oxford College), Sarah Davis (Covington News), Avis Williams

1. Call to order: Hon. David S. Eady, Mayor
2. Invocation – Rev. Virginia Brown (Rust Chapel United Methodist Church)

3. Agenda Adoption (Attachment A)

Motion to adopt agenda – Mike Ready

Second – Laura McCanless

Approved unanimously 6/0

4. Consent Agenda (Attachment B)

a. Minutes of the Regular Session March 7, 2022

b. Minutes of the Work Session March 21, 2022

Motion to approve Consent Agenda – Mike Ready

Second – Laura McCanless

Approved unanimously 6/0

5. Mayor's Announcements

Jeff Wearing announced that the fence repair at George Street Park is rescheduled for April 9, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

6. Citizen Concerns

- Dr. Lakliesha Izzard announced she is running for State House District 93 which includes part of unincorporated Oxford.

7. Removal of Signage and Initiation of Community Dialogue

Jim Windham made a motion to remove the three-panel marker on Whatcoat Street, the sign across Wesley Street from the Old Church, the sign in front of the slave house ("Kitty's Cottage"), and the granite marker at the Oxford Historical Cemetery; and to initiate a series of community dialogues (facilitated by a third party) that lead to a clear action plan, including a plan for how the City will memorialize enslaved persons and how the City will shall the fullness of Oxford's history going forward. Jeff Wearing seconded the motion.

Jim Windham amended his motion to include the sign in front of City Hall in the signs to be removed.

Mike Ready seconded the amended motion.

The motion carried 5/0 with the following votes:

Jim Windham – yay; Mike Ready – yay; Laura McCanless – yay; George Holt – yay; David Eady – yay; Jeff Wearing abstained

**8. Resolution to Amend the Signatures Allowed for Georgia Fund One Account
(Attachment C)**

Motion to approve – Jim Windham

Second – Laura McCanless

Approved unanimously 6/0

**9. Resolution to Amend the Signatures Allowed for the MEAG Competitive Trust Account
(Attachment D)**

Motion to approve – Laura McCanless

Second – George Holt

Approved unanimously 6/0

**10. Letter of Request and Memorandum of Agreement for Northeast Georgia Regional Commission to contract for them to update our Comprehensive Plan for 2023
(Attachment E)**

Motion to approve attachment 10 for two formal public hearings and three or more input meetings at a cost of \$3,000 – George Holt

Second - Laura McCanless

Approved unanimously 6/0

11. Recommendation from Trees, Parks, and Recreation Board for ReForest ATL, LLC to remove invasive plant species in Asbury Street Park (Attachment F)

Motion to approve recommendation – Jim Windham

Second – Jeff Wearing

Approved unanimously 6/0

12. **Invoices** (Attachment G)
No votes taken.

13. **Executive Session**
None.

13. **Adjourn** 7:39 p.m.
Motion – Jeff Wearing
Second – Mike Ready
Approved unanimously 6/0

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcia Brooks
City Clerk/Treasurer