

OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE OXFORD MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING Oxford Mayor and Council Regular Meeting Monday, June 6, 2022 – 7:00 PM Oxford City Hall

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 Lynn Bohanan – Councilmember **APPOINTED/STAFF PRESENT:**

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

OTHERS PRESENT: Anderson Wright

1. Call to order: Hon. David S. Eady, Mayor

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Invocation
- 4. **Agenda Adoption** (Attachment A)

Motion to amend the agenda to add discussion of a proposed resolution – Jim Windham Second – Mike Ready Approved unanimously 7/0

- 5. Consent Agenda (Attachment B)
- a. Minutes of the Regular Session May 2, 2022

 Motion to approve Consent Agenda Jim Windham

 Second Mike Ready

 Approved unanimously 7/0

6. Mayor's Announcements

- Mayor Eady announced that the police department is now fully staffed with the hiring of Anthony Menichini, effective this date.
- Laura McCanless asked Chief Anglin to provide some type of board so that they could put names with faces of the officers.

7. Citizen Concerns

Anderson Wright asked if there had been any complaints about the cemetery lately. He advised he has been getting compliments about the improvement in its appearance. Mayor Eady advised he has also been impressed with the appearance of the cemetery lately. No one mentioned that they have received any complaints.

8. Adding Remote Deposit Capture for United Bank Accounts (Attachment C) Motion to approve adding Remote Deposit Capture – Jeff Wearing

Marcia Brooks advised Mayor Eady that the request is actually to add additional banking services, one of which is Remote Deposit Capture. The request also includes adding ACH origination and remote wire transfer capability. The total additional cost per month is \$35.00 for a total of \$49.95 per month for all services including those the City presently has

Jeff Wearing amended his motion to include adding Remote Deposit Capture, ACH origination, and remote wire transfer capability for an additional \$35 per month. Second – Mike Ready

Approved unanimously (7/0)

9. Outsourcing Printing and Mailing of Utility Bills (Attachment D) Motion to table the issue pending further review – Jim Windham Second – George Holt

Mr. Windham expressed concern about outsourcing the billing process and losing control over it and spending \$100,000 on new software at the same time. He also has questions about the cost estimate. He also has issues with having to manually verify billings that have been compiled by the third-party vendor. He expects that our new system should be able to automatically update the billing information instead of having to verify their work manually.

George Holt expressed concerns about the accuracy of the cost estimates. He does not believe a company can do everything that is stated in the cost estimate for the price indicated. He also has a problem with being required to put up a two-month postage deposit.

At the conclusion of the discussion Mayor Eady called for a vote. The motion failed (5/2). Jim Windham and George Holt voted yay.

Motion to approve outsourcing and printing of utility bills to Enco – Laura McCanless

Second – Jeff Wearing

The motion carried (5/2). Jim Windham and George Holt voted nay.

10. Review of FY 2023 Budget and FY 2023 Budget Schedule (Attachment E)

A special called meeting will be held on June 22, 2022 to approve the budget prior to the work session. These meetings are being held on Wednesday of that week because the regular meeting day of Monday is a holiday, and Oxford is a voting precinct for the Primary runoff on the following day. Mayor Eady asked if there is any discussion needed regarding the budget. Chief Mark Anglin requested to speak about the Police Department budget. He advised that the licensing contract for the body cameras is not shown under the Police Department budget. Mayor Eady advised he believes it is included in Vehicle and Equipment Repairs and Maintenance.

Chief Anglin advised the way the budget is presented is confusing to him and that he would like for it to show what he is authorized to spend for each separate type of expense. For example, he would like to separate vehicle repairs and maintenance from equipment repairs and maintenance. He would also like to move subpoena fees and training funds payable to the Court section of the budget. He does not expect there to be a net increase in his request. He would just like to have his budget broken down so that it is more granular.

Mayor Eady asked Chief Anglin to work with Ms. Brooks and Bill Andrew to get the changes made.

11. Selection of July 4th Parade Grand Marshal

Motion to name Jerry Roseberry Grand Marshal for the July 4th Parade – George Holt Second – Mike Ready Approved unanimously (7/0)

Motion to recognize John Burson with a special honor in the July 4th Parade in recognition of his military service during World War II and his many contributions to the City of Oxford – Jim Windham Second – George Holt Approved unanimously (7/0)

12. Invoices (Attachment F)

No votes taken.

12a. Proposed Resolution Regarding Gun Violence

Jim Windham expressed his strong desire that the Oxford City Council make a statement about gun violence, particularly against children, with a resolution to be sent to the governor, lieutenant governor, the State legislature, and other state and federal officials. He would like for the resolution to call for rational restrictions on automatic weapons of war and high-capacity magazines. He is requesting that Mayor Eady appoint a committee to compose a resolution for presentation and adoption at the June 22, 2022, special called meeting.

George Holt and Jeff Wearing agreed to assist Mr. Windham with this task.

Chief Anglin suggested allocating some funds to provide education to citizens.

13. **Executive Session** None.

14. Adjourn 8:05 p.m.Motion – Jim WindhamSecond – George HoltApproved unanimously 7/0

Marcia Brales

Respectfully Submitted,

Marcia Brooks

City Clerk/Treasurer