

MINUTES

**City of Oxford
Board of Aldermen
Regular Meeting
Tuesday, June 6, 2017, 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
City Hall Courtroom**



Notice that certain aldermen will be included in the meeting via teleconference, subject to the City of Oxford Code of Ordinances, Section 2-82.

1. Call to order.

The meeting of the Mayor and Board of Alderman of the City of Oxford, Mississippi, was called to order by Mayor Patterson at 5:00pm on Tuesday, June 6, 2017, in the courtroom of Oxford City Hall when and where the following were present:

George G. Patterson, Mayor
Rick Addy, Alderman Ward I
Robyn Tannehill, Alderman Ward II
Janice Antonow, Alderman Ward III
Ulysses Howell, Alderman Ward IV
Preston Taylor, Alderman Ward V
Jason Bailey, Alderman Ward VI-absent
John Morgan, Alderman At Large

Mayo Mallette, PLLC-Of Counsel
Ashley Atkinson, City Clerk
Bart Robinson, Director of Public Works
Reanna Mayoral, Assistant Director of Public Works
Judy Daniel, City Planner
Ben Requet, Senior Planner
Joey East, Chief of Police
Sheridan Maiden-Major, Oxford Police Department
Matt Davis, Director of Parking Enforcement
Braxton Tullos, Human Resources Director
Mark Heath, Fire Chief
Joey Gardner, Deputy Fire Chief
Seth Gaines, Director of Oxford Park Commission
Randy Barber, Director of Building Department
Rob Neely, Superintendent of Oxford Electric Department
Bo Ragon, Superintendent of City Shop
Jimmy Allgood, Director of Emergency Management
Amberlyn Liles, Environmental Services Director
Gray Parker, Planning Department
Billy Lamb, Buildings & Grounds Department
Greg Pinion-Interim Director, Buildings & Grounds Dept.
Hollis Green, Director-Oxford Conference Center-absent
Johnny Sossaman-Code Enforcement Officer
Rusty Rasberry-Code Enforcement Officer
Flint Ussery-Site Inspector

2. Adopt the agenda for the meeting.

It was moved by Alderman Howell, seconded by Alderman Addy to approve the agenda for the meeting with the following changes, moving item 18 to executive session and adding item 21, a discussion of the appraisal of city property on South 16th Street. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

3. Mayor's Report

4. Authorize the approval of the minutes of the regular meeting on May 16, 2017 and corrected minutes for the special meeting on April 24, 2017.

It was moved by Alderman Antonow, seconded by Alderman Taylor to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on May 16, 2017 and the corrected minutes for the special meeting on April 24, 2017. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

5. Authorize the approval of accounts for all city departments.

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Howell to approve the accounts for all city departments, including a docket showing claims of 4466 thru 4757 totaling \$886,074.58. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

6. Consider the consent agenda:

It was moved by Alderman Howell, seconded by Alderman Tannehill to approve the following consent agenda. All the alderman present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

- a. Request approval of Michaela Vommoro as an intern in the Municipal Court Department with an hourly rate of \$9.00. (Braxton Tullos)
- b. Request approval of the retirement of Billy Lamb in the Buildings & Grounds Department effective June 30, 2017. (Braxton Tullos)
- c. Request approval to employ Breck Jones as a full-time communications officer in the Oxford Police Department with an annual salary of \$30,827.81 (G8-4). (Braxton Tullos)
- d. Request approval to employ Derrick Conner, Alec Fecteau, Peter Heim, and Martin Johnson as reserve officers in the Oxford Police Department with an hourly rate of \$7.25. (Braxton Tullos)
- e. Request approval to hire Valerie Booth and Shelby Hernandez as full-time records clerks in the Oxford Police Department with an hourly wage of \$30,827.81 (G8-4). (Braxton Tullos)
- f. Request approval to hire Joshua Turner, Darrie Townsend, Ladarian Bishop and Kalin Brown as seasonal employees in the Environmental Services Department with an hourly wage of \$9.00. (Braxton Tullos)
- g. Request approval to hire Randall Shane Russell as an Inventory Control Assistant in the Oxford Electric Department with an annual salary of \$33,910.59 (G9-4). (Braxton Tullos)
- h. Request permission for Rob Banks, the director of the DUI training grant, to travel to teach for state training from May thru September, in accordance with the requirements of the grant.
- i. Request permission for seven officers to attend the MS Association of School Resource Officers summer training from June 12-16, 2017 in Biloxi, MS at a total cost of \$1,375.00 plus per diem. (Joey East)
- j. Request permission for one officer to attend Active Shooter training on June 21, 2017 in Biloxi, MS at no cost. (Joey East)
- k. Request permission for one officer to attend MS Accreditation Manager's Meeting on June 21, 2017 in Biloxi, MS at an estimated cost of \$218.00 plus per diem. (Joey East)
- l. Request permission for two officers to attend Interview and Interrogation training from June 26-30, 2017 in Moorehead, MS at an estimated cost of \$200.00 plus per diem. (Joey East)
- m. Request permission for two officers to attend IPMBA Police Cycling course from July 24-28, 2017 in Biloxi, MS at an estimated cost of \$1,096.00 plus per diem. (Joey East)
- n. Request permission for three officers to attend Command College on July 16-21, 2017 in Oxford, MS at a total cost of \$350.00. (Joey East)

Request the approval of the following taxi drivers for Flying Tuk: Rebecca Robertson, Javier Sanchez, Robert Tuttleton, James A. Jones, and Peyton Overstreet. (Joey East)

- p. Request permission for one officer to attend School Resource Officer Basic Course from July 16-20, 2017 in Pearl, MS at an estimated cost of \$550.00 plus per diem. (Joey East)
- q. Request permission for three officers to attend DARE Officers Association Training from July 16-20, 2017 in Biloxi, MS at an estimated cost of \$597.00 plus per diem. (Joey East)

7. Matt Reardon to address the board regarding the state flag.

Mr. Reardon was not present to address the board.

8. Edith Hayles to address the board regarding the North MS Regional Center.

Ms. Hayles updated the board with regard to budget cuts that will affect services provided by the NMRC and will also include layoffs of employees. The board was disappointed to hear this news and thanked Ms. Hayles and her staff for the work they do with the clients served by the NMRC.

9. Meredith Rawl to address the board regarding activities for the 4th of July.

Ms. Rawl updated the board on the activities surrounding the 4th of July holiday.

10. Update on first responder program. (Mark Heath)

Chief Heath updated the board regarding the first responder program at the Oxford Fire Department.

11. Adopt a retirement resolution for Gwen King in the Oxford Police Department.

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Tannehill to adopt a retirement resolution for Gwen King in the Oxford Police Department. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

12. Adopt a retirement resolution for Luster King in the Oxford Electric Department.

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Tannehill to adopt a retirement resolution for Luster King in the Oxford Electric Department. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

13. Adopt a retirement resolution for Billy Lamb in the Buildings & Grounds Department.

It was moved by Alderman Tannehill, seconded by Alderman Howell to adopt a retirement resolution for Billy Lamb in the Building & Grounds Department. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

14. Authorize the Mayor to sign an acceptance letter to receive MSOF grant money with no match. (Jimmy Allgood)

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Howell to authorize the Mayor to sign an acceptance letter to receive MSOF grant money with no match. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

15. Request approval of the FY 2018 budget for the Oxford Electric Department. (Rob Neely)

It was moved by Alderman Antonow, seconded by Alderman Howell to approve the FY 2018 budget for the Oxford Electric Department. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

16. Request approval of Amendment No.1 to the Conservation Easement for Oxford Commons II, LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign same.

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Addy to approve Amendment No. 1 to the Conservation Easement for Oxford Commons, LLC and authorize the Mayor to sign same. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried

17. Request approval of a Preliminary and Final Plat for Case 2157, Parkway Centre II located at 2720 West Oxford Loop, being further described at PPINs 35448, 35623,

and 17955. (Judy Daniel)

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Addy to approve a preliminary and final plat for Case 2157, Parkway Centre II, located at 2720 West Oxford Loop, being further described as PPINs 35448, 35623, and 17955. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

18. First reading of a proposed ordinance amending Sections 74-7 and Sections 74-8 of the Code of Ordinances. (Joey East)

This item was moved to the executive session.

19. Discuss taxi parking.

It was moved by Alderman Antonow, seconded by Alderman Addy to follow the recommendation of the Police Chief and revoke the designated taxi parking spaces along Jackson Avenue and Van Buren Avenue due to the fact that the taxi companies are not utilizing them. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

20. Request approval to accept water, sewer, and streets in Rosemont subdivision and allow the bond to be reduced to 150% of estimated cost of the completion of the sidewalks and striping. (Bart Robinson)

It was moved by Alderman Tannehill, seconded by Alderman Addy to accept the water, sewer, and streets in Rosemont subdivision and allow the bond to be reduced to 150% of the estimated cost of the completion of the sidewalks and striping. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

21. Discuss the appraisal of city property located on South 16th Street. (Bart Robinson)

Bart Robinson reported that the appraisal had come back on property that the city owns on South 16th Street. The appraisal stated that the property was worth approximately \$840,000.00. The board will make a decision regarding the property at a later date.

22. Consider an executive session.

It was moved by Alderman Tannehill, seconded by Alderman Addy to consider an executive session for personnel issues, matters related to potential litigation, and matters related to security. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Howell, seconded by Alderman Addy to enter into an executive session for a personnel matter in the Buildings & Grounds Department, a personnel matter in the Public Works Department, two matters of potential litigation regarding land use, a matter of potential litigation regarding trademark infringement, and a matter related to police security measures. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Tannehill, seconded by Alderman Addy, to return to regular session. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

It was moved by Alderman Morgan, seconded by Alderman Tannehill to postpone the first reading of the proposed ordinance amending Section 74-4 and Section 74-8 of the City of Oxford Code of Ordinances. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

23. Adjourn.

It was moved by Alderman Tannehill, seconded by Alderman Addy to adjourn Sine-Die. All the aldermen present voting aye, Mayor Patterson declared the motion carried.

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