



OXFORD CITY COUNCIL Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, October 18, 2022
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Full Transcript available upon request.

Roll Call [TIME 00:59](#)

William Snavelly Mayor	Chantel Raghu Vice Mayor
Jason Bracken	Amber Franklin
Alex French	Glenn Ellerbe
David Prytherch	

A regular meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Mayor William Snavelly on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 7:30 p.m. Members in attendance were Jason Bracken, David Prytherch, Amber Franklin, Alex French, Glenn Ellerbe, and Chantel Raghu.

Staff Members in Attendance

Mr. Doug Elliott, City Manager; Ms. Jessica Greene, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Mike Dreisbach, Service Director; Mr. Sam Perry, Community Development Director; Mr. Chris Conard, Law Director; Mr. Joe Newlin, Finance Director; Mr. John Detherage, Fire Chief; Mr. Geoff Robinson, Police Lieutenant; and Ms. Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council.

Pledge of Allegiance [TIME 01:15](#)

Approval of the Agenda [TIME 01:39](#)

Motion – To Adopt

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. Franklin

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Public Participation [TIME 01:51](#)

Proclamation- “Caroline Scott Harrison Day” Page 5 of the Agenda Packet

Ms. Heidi Schiller, Executive Director of the Oxford Community Arts Center (OCAC), accepted the Proclamation and thanked Mayor Snively.

Public Comments

The purpose of the Public Comments Section is for members of the Public to speak to the City Council on any subject not scheduled on the Agenda, except Consent Agenda items. City Council values your comments, and Council rules limit public comments to five minutes for each person. Presentations are not to be in the form of public debate, personal attacks on Council, City staff or other members of the public and Council shall not act except to direct the City Manager to take action or schedule the matter for discussion at a later date.

Resident Name Address/ Resident Comment / Request

Consent Agenda [TIME 06:36](#)

All matters under the Consent Agenda are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Any City Council member may, however, remove an item from consent by request. Items removed for separate discussion will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

- A. Minutes of the October 18, 2022, City Council Meeting (Heather Barbour, Clerk of Council) **Page 6 of the Agenda Packet**
- B. Report regarding the October 5, 2022, Environmental Commission Meeting (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director) **Page 20 of the Agenda Packet**

- C. A Resolution declaring certain City property no longer needed for any Municipal purpose as surplus and authorizing its advertisement and sale to the highest bidder on govdeals.com. (John Detherage, Fire Chief) **Page 24 of the Agenda Packet**

Motion – To Adopt

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. French

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Resolutions

Resolution No. 7440 [TIME 06:57](#)

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1. A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign a new agreement for legal services with Christopher R. Conard, Attorney at Coolidge Wall CO., L.P.A. (Doug Elliott, City Manager)

Comments from the Public – None

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7440

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. Franklin

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Resolution No. 7441 [TIME 09:22](#)

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2. A Resolution authorizing the City Manager to sign an addendum to the 2021 Real Estate Purchase Option Agreement with Episcopal Retirement Services Affordable Living LLC,

authorizing a 30-Day Option Extension Without Payment. (Sam Perry, Community Development Director)

Comments from the Public – None

Motion – To Adopt Resolution No. 7441

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Ms. French

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Ordinances

Ordinances are adopted using a two-step procedure. First reading introduces the Ordinance and provides an opportunity for public input on the subject as well as allowing Council to request more information as needed. Second reading is to provide Council with the opportunity to consider new information and to deliberate.

First Reading [TIME11:36](#)

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1. An Ordinance amending Ordinance No. 3654 Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 8 to make supplemental appropriations for fiscal year 2022. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Comments from the Public – None

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2. An Ordinance approving a six-month extension of the approved Final Subdivision and construction drawings, and amending a condition of the approved Final Planned Development, for South Farm Section IV. (Sam Perry, Community Development Director)

Comments from the Public – None

Second Reading

Ordinance No. 3692 [TIME 16:15](#)

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1. An Ordinance repealing and replacing section 505.01 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Oxford pertaining to dogs and other animals running at large. (Doug Elliott, City Manager)

Comments from the Public –

Mr. Steve Sullivan 104 Marti Court Mr. Sullivan asked that the Council consider cats included in the Ordinance. Mr. Sullivan mentioned several reasons why cats should be explicitly added to the list of animals.

Ms. Edna Southard 807 Melinda Drive Ms. Southard spoke in support of the Ordinance. Ms. Southard asked Council to consider the length of the leash being added.

Mayor Snavelly opened the floor for Council discussion.

Mr. Prytherch so moved to accept the Amended Exhibit A, and Mr. Ellerbe seconded Motion passed 7-0-0. Ms. Raghu so moved to amend Section B. to read any male or female intact dog or cat, Seconded by Mr. Bracken. Mr. Ellerbe motioned to make a friendly amendment to Ms. Raghu's amendment to replace the word "dog" with "animal". Mayor Snavelly repeated the current motion of the friendly amendment being proposed to you is to replace "female dog" with "animal" and replace "dog in heat" with "animal in heat." After more discussion, the following motions were made. Mr. Ellerbe so moved to Strike Section 505.01 B. Ms. Raghu seconded, and the motion passed 7-0-0. Mr. Ellerbe so moved to Strike section 505.01E2. Ms. Franklin seconded the motion passed 7-0-0.

Motion – To Adopt Ordinance No. 3692

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

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Mr. Prytherch, Ms. Raghu, Mr. Bracken, Mr. Ellerbe, Ms. Franklin, Ms. French, and Mayor Snavelly

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Ordinance No. 3693 [TIME 57:12](#)

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2. An Ordinance amending Chapter 935 trees, shrubs, and other plants by adding Section 935.191 Managed Natural Lawn Area. (Councilor Bracken)

Comments from the Public –

Mr. Jon Ralinovsky 3 *Peabody Drive* Spoke in support of the Ordinance.

Ms. Carla Blackmar 400 *West Vine St.* Ms. Blackmar acknowledged Mr. Perry's point and agrees this should be a Resolution.

Mr. Antonio Alejandro 231 *Western College Drive* Mr. Alejandro agrees this should be a Resolution and hopes Council considers it.

Mr. Steve Sullivan 104 *Marti Court* Mr. Sullivan agrees this should be a Resolution.

Mayor Snavelly opened the floor for Council discussion.

After hearing the public comments and remarks from Mr. Elliott and Mr. Perry on what is allowed currently without this Ordinance, and the request from City Staff to give them a few meetings and let Staff present a Resolution. The following motion was made. Mr. Bracken so moved to table Ordinance No. 3693, Ms. French seconded, and the motion passed 7-0-0.

Motion – To Adopt Ordinance No. 3693

(Roll Call Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Bracken

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Announcements & Communications

Remarks from City Council and City Staff [TIME 01:06:59](#)

The comments expressed by individual members of Council or City staff during this portion of a City Council meeting do not necessarily reflect the views of the City of Oxford, The Oxford City Council, or the City staff.

Adjournment

Motion to Adjourn Meeting at 8:55 p.m. [TIME 01:26:37](#)

(Voice Vote) 1st Ms. Raghu 2nd Mr. Prytherch

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Public Comment to Council Form

Submitted by: William Huber

Submitted On: 2022-10-05 19:38:23

Status: Open

Priority: Normal

Assigned To: Doug Elliott

Due Date: Open

Public Comment To Council



Please note: Comments must be received by 2:00 pm the day of the council meeting to be shared with City. Comments received after this time will not be included in the minutes under the public comment section.

* First Name

William

Enter your First Name

* Last Name

Huber

Enter your Last Name

* Address

372 S D Street

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Hamilton

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text, location or both? Was there any coordination with the Butler County Board of Health? The Marker is a "Butler County" Marker rather than a "Oxford" Marker. I ended up not consulting the Board and they said they were not consulted. Does the Oxford City Council have any input? Do the sponsors believe they have the right or the moral obligation to speak for the community? Can you explain? Thank you, Buck Huber, Hamilton, Butler County

Make a public comment for review by City Council