



Agenda

Oxford City Council

Court House

TUESDAY, APRIL 19, 2016

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

1. Roll call. Kate Rousmaniere, Mayor; Mike Smith, Vice-Mayor; Glenn Ellerbe; Bob Blackburn; Kevin McKeehan; Steve Dana; Edna Southard

MEETING PROCEDURE: Comments from the Public are welcome at two different times during the course of the meeting: (1) Comments on items not on the Agenda, and Consent Agenda items, will be heard under Public Comments – and (2) Comments on all Resolutions and Ordinances will be heard during Council consideration of said item. Please wait until you are recognized by the Mayor, proceed to the podium, state your name and address so that your comments may be properly recorded and limit your remarks to a period of five minutes or less.

REGULAR MEETING

7:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. Approval of Agenda.

This facility is wheelchair accessible. If you plan to attend this meeting and you have a disability that requires special arrangements, please notify the City Manager's office 48 hours in advance so that reasonable accommodations can be made.

3. Public Participation.

- A. Recognition - Peter M. Reising, Police Sergeant.
- B. Swearing-In - Benjamin T. Hool, Police Sergeant.
- C. Presentation - Oxford Parks & Recreation Department - Casey Wooddell.
- D. Proclamation - "Arbor Day"



Proclamation

- E. 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.

4. Consent Agenda.

- A. Minutes of the April 5, 2016 City Council Meeting. (Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council)



Minutes

- B. Report regarding the April 6, 2016 Historic and Architectural Preservation Commission Meeting. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)



Report

- C. Report regarding the April 6, 2016 Environmental Commission Meeting. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)



Report

5. Resolutions.

- 1. A Resolution supporting a request by the Oxford, Ohio, Environmental Commission to submit a letter to the Ohio Governor, Senate and House of Representatives to reconsider their opposition to the "Clean Power Plan" and to actively pursue the development of renewable energy. (Kate Rousmaniere, Mayor)



Staff Report/Resolution

6. Ordinances.

- A. First Reading - None.
- B. Second Reading.

1. An Ordinance Changing The name Of "Corporate Woods Lane" In The Fields Of Southpointe Planned Development To "Ironwood Drive" And Directing The Clerk Of Council To Forward A Certified Copy Of This Ordinance To The County Engineer For The Appropriate Change On The Planned Development Plat. (Jung-Han Chen Community Development Director).



Staff Report/Ordinance

2. An Ordinance Increasing The Salary Of The Mayor And Council Members. (Edna Southard, Councilor).



Staff Report/Ordinance

3. An Ordinance Adopting A Revised And Amended Water And Sanitary Sewer Improvement Specifications And Backflow Cross Connection Control Manual. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director).



Staff Report/Ordinance

4. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 3335. Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 3 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal Year 2016. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director).



Staff Report/Ordinance

7. A. Announcements & Communications. 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.

1. Remarks from City Council and City Staff.

- B. Future Meetings.

WED - Apr 20 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting 7:30 p.m. Cancelled

THUR - Apr 21 Recreation Board Meeting 4:00 p.m. Senior Citizens Center

FRI - Apr 22 Community Improvement Corporation Meeting 12:00 p.m. LCNB

FRI - Apr 22 Student Community Relations Commission Meeting 2:30 p.m. LCNB

TUES - Apr 26 Charter Advisory Commission Meeting 4:00 p.m. Municipal Building

WED - Apr 27 Civil Service Commission Meeting 5:30 p.m. Municipal Building

TUES - May 3 City Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.

WED - May 4 Historic and Architectural Preservation Commission Meeting 6:00 p.m.

WED - May 4 Environmental Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m.

THUR - May 5 Community Relations Commission Meeting 3:00 p.m. Municipal Building

THUR - May 5 Police Community Relations & Review Commission Meeting 6:00 p.m.

FRI - May 6 Student Community Relations Commission Meeting 4:00 p.m. LCNB

TUES - May 10 Planning Commission Meeting 7:30 p.m.

MON - May 16 Housing Advisory Commission Meeting 7:00 p.m. Municipal Building

TUES - May 17 City Council Meeting 7:30 p.m.

WED - May 18 Board of Zoning Appeals Meeting 7:30 p.m.

WED - May 25 Civil Service Commission Meeting 5:30 p.m. Municipal Building

8. Adjourn.



Office of the Mayor

Proclamation

Whereas:

in 1872, J. Sterling Morton proposed to the Nebraska Board of Agriculture that a special day be set aside for the planting of trees; and

WHEREAS, this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than one million trees in Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, trees can produce oxygen, provide habitat for wildlife, reduce the erosion of our precious top-soil by wind and water, cut heating and cooling costs, moderate the temperatures, clean the air, and help to absorb rainwater and slow the velocity of storm water runoff; and

WHEREAS, trees are a resource providing us with wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, paper, and countless other wood products; and

WHEREAS, associated with the management of the approximately 3,280 street, park, and public trees in the community, the City of Oxford has fulfilled the national Arbor Day Foundation's requirements for "Tree City USA" for twenty consecutive years.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kate Rousmaniere, Mayor of the City of Oxford, Ohio, Tree City USA, do hereby proclaim that on April 29, 2016, the last Friday of the month, the City of Oxford will recognize and participate in the national and international celebration of:

"ARBOR DAY"

I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, and I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the City of Oxford to be affixed this 15th day of April, 2016.


KATE ROUSMANIERE, MAYOR



A Regular meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Mayor Kate Rousmaniere on Tuesday, April 5, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Those members present were Bob Blackburn, Steve Dana, Glenn Ellerbe, Kevin McKeehan, Mike Smith and Edna Southard.

Staff members present: Mr. Doug Elliott, City Manager; Mr. Mike Dreisbach, Service Director; Mr. John Jones, Police Chief; Mr. Joe Newlin, Finance Director; Mr. Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director; Mr. Alan Kyger, Economic Development Director; Mr. John Detherage, Fire Chief, Mr. Steve McHugh, Law Director; and Ms. Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rousmaniere requested the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Dana moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

RECOGNITION

ROBERT B. HOLZWORTH, POLICE CHIEF

Mr. Elliott advised one duty of the City Manager under the City Charter was to appoint City employees except for those appointed by Council. Mr. Elliott noted the selection of Department Heads for the City Manager's management team was important. Mr. Elliott advised the plan this evening was to recognize the City's retiring Chief of Police and swear in the newly appointed Chief of Police. Mr. Elliott noted unfortunately, Chief Bob Holzworth was unable to be in attendance this evening. Mr. Elliott advised former Police Chief Steve Schwein was in attendance and noted Steve served the City from 1990 until his retirement in 2011. Mr. Elliott noted he wanted to recognize Bob Holzworth and advised Bob came to Oxford in 1967 to attend Miami University and after graduation he decided to stay in Oxford. Mr. Elliott noted Chief Statum hired Bob in 1973 as a Police Officer and in 1978 he was promoted to Police Lieutenant. Mr. Elliott advised Bob retired from the Oxford Police Division in 2011 and returned in April of 2011 to assist the City and Chief Schwein with parking and transportation responsibilities. Mr. Elliott noted when Chief Schwein retired in September of 2011 he called upon Bob to become the Interim Police Chief until a search for a new Chief could be completed. Mr. Elliott advised Bob accepted that call and during the Police Chief search it became very apparent to him and to the search committee that Bob was the best and the right candidate for the position. Mr. Elliott noted he appointed Bob to the Police Chief position in February of 2012. Mr. Elliott advised Bob did an outstanding job during his tenure as Chief of Police and the 4 years had gone by very quickly. Mr. Elliott noted he certainly enjoyed his time working with Bob and personally thanked Bob for all he had done for the City and for the Police Division in the 42 years he served the wonderful college community of Oxford. Mr. Elliott advised the City would present Bob with an inscribed Boston rocking chair as a token of appreciation for his many years of service to the City.

Mayor Rousmaniere called for a round of applause for retiring Chief Bob Holzworth.

SWEARING-IN

JOHN A. JONES - POLICE CHIEF

Mr. Elliott noted he would say a few words about John Jones and his history with the City prior to his Swearing-In ceremony. Mr. Elliott read the following into the record (in part) : “JJ came to Oxford as a student at Miami University in 1995 and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree with a double major in public administration and sociology in 1999. Also like Bob, he decided to make Oxford home. JJ joined the Oxford Police Division as a Police Officer in 2002, he was promoted to Police Sergeant in 2008 and to Police Lieutenant in 2013. Prior to those appointments he served as the City of Oxford’s Code Enforcement Officer and as a Volunteer Firefighter/EMT. JJ has a well rounded experience. In 2011 JJ received a Master of Science in the Administration of Justice from the University of Louisville and also attended the Southern Police Institute in Louisville, KY. JJ is a proven law enforcement supervisor with a very strong sense of community. I welcome JJ to the City’s management team and I look forward to his continued leadership as Chief of Police for the City of Oxford.” Mr. Elliott asked Chief Jones to come to the podium and invited his wife Betsy and their sons Dalton, Charley and Wyatt to come forward as well. Mr. McHugh performed the swearing-in of John Jones as Police Chief.

Mayor Rousmaniere congratulated Chief Jones on his appointment and a round of applause followed.

Chief Jones thanked Council and the City Manager for having confidence in him and noted the support of the community had been overwhelming. Chief Jones thanked the Oxford Police Division staff and other City employees who went out and got the job done and helped make him look good. Chief Jones noted he wished Chief Holzworth could have been in attendance this evening noting Chief Holzworth had been very supportive of him, had nourished him and helped him grow. Chief Jones advised Chief Holzworth truly embodied that ‘Warrior Spirit’ and it was unfortunate they couldn’t share this moment together. Chief Jones thanked former Chief Schwein, and retired Lieutenants Horvath, Umbstead and Franke for their support and leadership over the years. Chief Jones thanked his parents John and Sue who were in attendance noting they taught him his work ethic at home on a dairy farm. Chief Jones thanked his wife Betsy and their sons for all of their support. Chief Jones thanked the community for their support noting he appreciated their confidence in him and noted his hope he would serve them well as Chief of Police.

SWEARING-IN

JOSHUA K. JENKINS – POLICE SERGEANT

Chief Jones advised another Police Sergeant would be sworn-in this evening noting it was the Police Sergeant working with the officers who got the job done, the sergeant was the first line supervisor, the one who fields complaints from the public, the one who responds to calls, and the one who made the department run well. Chief Jones asked Josh Jenkins to come forward with his wife Cara, and triplets Avery, Colby and Zach. Chief Jones noted Josh was originally from Tipp City, Ohio and attended Tiffin University and Wright State University. Chief Jones advised Josh graduated from the Police Academy in 2005 and served with the Arlington Heights Police Department from May 2005 until April 2006 when he was hired by the City of Oxford.

Chief Jones noted as a member of the Oxford Police Division Josh had served on bicycle patrol, motorcycle patrol, as one of the top field training officers, he was a field sobriety test instructor, a driving instructor, crash investigator and an evidence technician. Chief Jones advised Josh had been an Acting Police Sergeant the last few months, he was prepared to handle the new position and had an excellent skill set. Mr. McHugh performed the swearing-in of Josh Jenkins as Police Sergeant.

Mayor Rousmaniere congratulated Sergeant Jenkins on his appointment and a round of applause followed.

Chief Jones thanked Council for letting the Police Division indulge them in another Public Participation segment of the agenda noting there had been several promotions and retirements in the department lately.

PROCLAMATION
“EARTH DAY”

Mayor Rousmaniere read the Proclamation and presented it to Mr. Dreisbach on behalf of the Environmental Commission.

PROCLAMATION
“GENOCIDE AND HOLOCAUST
EDUCATION AND PREVENTION MONTH”

Mayor Rousmaniere read the Proclamation and presented it to Councilor Southard to share with Cody Phillips and other students in attendance.

Mr. Cody Phillips, advised he was a Miami University student and introduced fellow students Aryn Swing, Natalie Roberts and Dan Ginsburg. Mr. Phillips noted Miami University’s Center for American and World Cultures Genocide and Holocaust Education Committee worked throughout the year to coordinate a month long program to address and educate the university and community about genocides throughout history. Mr. Phillips advised the committee was made up of faculty, students, friends and community members. Mr. Phillips noted he and fellow students were in attendance as student representatives of the committee. Mr. Phillips advised while the holocaust may seem remote in time, space and place let us not forget that it continued to touch people here in Oxford. Mr. Phillips noted numerous students and Oxford residents had families who perished in the tragic events of that era and a few had relatives who survived bearing the psychological and physical scars of their experiences. Mr. Phillips advised many in Oxford had family members who fought in WW II and helped liberate many of the camps. Mr. Phillips noted while it was important to realize that never again must truly mean never, we find ourselves today in a world where genocide seemed to be common place such as in Syria and the Central African Republic. Mr. Phillips advised to this end the committee was asking Council to proclaim April as “Genocide and Holocaust Education and Prevention Month” and in doing so, Oxford, Ohio would become the first City to declare such a proclamation in the State of Ohio. Mr. Phillips noted this important step forward would create a pathway to draft a proclamation for the State of Ohio and work towards a higher goal of spreading genocide education and prevention across the nation and international community.

Mr. Phillips advised the committee's goal in doing this was to always remember and honor those who perished and to ensure human rights were held to the highest standard in any community and to call for the end of all genocides. Mr. Phillips thanked Council for their time.

Ms. Southard presented the Proclamation to Mr. Phillips and his fellow students. Ms. Southard advised the word genocide was invented in 1948 by a Jewish survivor of the holocaust named Lemkin who went to the United Nations and tried over and over to get them to agree to proclaim genocide an international crime. Ms. Southard noted this was essential to educate people and to encourage people to realize that genocide was an international prosecutable crime and we had seen recent prosecutions and convictions in the last few months with the Syrian atrocities. Ms. Southard advised it was important for governments take a stance like Oxford was doing and she was pleased to be part of a community that took a stance as one whose grandparents perished. Ms. Southard noted she was proud to be part of this event.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Kate Currie, 420 W. Vine Street, advised the Oxford Kinetics Festival was April 17th and noted she gave posters to the Clerk for Council members. Ms. Currie noted the festival would be held at Millett Hall on Miami's Oxford campus from noon to 5:00 p.m. Ms. Currie advised the festival would go on rain or shine and could be held indoors if necessary. Ms. Currie noted she anticipated 4,000 participants this year and the event had steadily grown over the last 6 years. Ms. Currie discussed the background and history of the event over the last 6 years. Ms. Currie advised the festival consisted of a lot more than kinetic sculpture racing as there was a huge variety of art and science participatory activities happening throughout the day for kids and adults. Ms. Currie noted her hope was to create a space where everyone in the community was interacting in a fun and engaged way. Ms. Currie encouraged families, university students, and senior citizens to attend the festival and have lots of creative, interactive fun together.

Ms. Shana Rosenberg, Arrowhead Drive, addressed Council regarding the problem of litter in Oxford and specifically in the Uptown and Mile Square areas. Ms. Rosenberg noted she had lived in Oxford all of her life and she appreciated Oxford being a walkable community that was beautiful for children, pets and families. Ms. Rosenberg advised she noticed an increase in the litter issue over the last few years probably due to increased density and nightly entertainment starting on Wednesday instead of Thursday or Friday. Ms. Rosenberg noted she wanted residents and visitors to enjoy the community. Ms. Rosenberg advised she had seen an improvement in the Uptown area over the last couple of weeks and thanked those responsible for that effort. Ms. Rosenberg noted she did a 'Ride-Along' on Green Beer Day with the Police Department and the Police Officers were trying to enforce problems with litter that occurred with students. Ms. Rosenberg advised there was still a huge problem with litter in the 100 blocks of Main Street, College Avenue, Spring Street and Campus Avenue. Ms. Rosenberg noted she knew this was a difficult problem to fix and she felt the student population could step up more after their parties as well as landlords. Ms. Rosenberg advised she wasn't sure what the solutions were and noted perhaps youth organizations could help. Ms. Rosenberg noted she wanted to know what the City could do to continue to keep Oxford beautiful.

Mayor Rousmaniere advised Council could put Ms. Rosenberg in contact with people in the City who did this work and noted a couple of the City Boards and Commissions were addressing litter. Mayor Rousmaniere thanked Ms. Rosenberg for her comments.

Mr. Elliott noted he appreciated Ms. Rosenberg's comments and litter was an on-going challenge for the City. Mr. Elliott advised property owners could be cited and Police Officers could be dispatched to properties to ask the tenants to clean up their yards. Mr. Elliott noted litter was everyone's business and everyone needed to pitch in.

PUBLIC HEARING
RIGHT OF WAY VACATION

Mr. Blackburn moved to open the public hearing regarding a right-of-way vacation request to vacate two rights of way off of Southpointe Parkway at 8:10 p.m. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

Mr. Elliott advised this was a request from the current property owner to vacate two stub streets as shown on page 50 of Council's packet and an Ordinance for the same request was on tonight's agenda. Mr. Elliott noted the stub streets were off of Southpointe Parkway in the Fields of Southpointe Planned Development. Mr. Elliott advised this issue was discussed during the Planning Commission's review and during the Council review of the Planned Development project but the vacation request was not brought forward. Mr. Chen showed a slide of the areas in question. Mr. Blackburn advised Council discussed this earlier and now the plat needed to be cleaned up.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if the public, the petitioner or Council members wished to comment on the vacation request. There were no comments.

Mr. Dana moved to close the public hearing at 8:13 p.m. Mr. McKeehan seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

Minutes of the March 15, 2016 City Council Meeting. (Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council)

REPORTS

Report regarding the March 2, 2016 Historic and Architectural Preservation Commission Meeting. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Report regarding the March 8, 2016 Planning Commission Meeting. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Report regarding the March 23, 2016 Civil Service Commission Meeting. (Candi Turpin, Human Resources Director)

Ms. Southard moved to approve the consent agenda. Mr. Dana seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION

CURB, GUTTER & SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS

A Resolution No. 4976 declaring that it is necessary to improve those portions of certain properties on Brown Road, Contreras Road and Panda Lane in the City of Oxford, Ohio by re-paving, re-curb-ing, and repairing the sidewalks, curbs, and gutters. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Mr. Dreisbach advised the three Resolutions on tonight's agenda dealt with the City's summer paving program. Mr. Dreisbach noted it was important that curbs, gutters and sidewalks were in good condition before the City invested money in repaving the streets. Mr. Dreisbach advised the City was following Ohio Revised Code Section 729 for this process which required 4 Council actions. Mr. Dreisbach noted the proposed Resolution was step 1 which was the Resolution of necessity for Council to recognize the curbs, gutters and sidewalks were in disrepair for the properties listed on Exhibit "A". Mr. Dreisbach advised once approved, the Clerk would serve notice to the property owners that repairs needed to be made within a minimum of 30 days and if they chose not to, the City would advertise for a contract to do the work for them. Mr. Dreisbach noted step 2 would be the contract for the actual repair work, step 3 would be a Resolution after the work was completed showing the actual costs incurred by the City and step 4 was an Ordinance authorizing the county to apply the special assessment to the tax bill. Mr. Dreisbach advised staff was asking Council's approval of the Resolution of necessity so the Clerk may serve notice. Mr. Dreisbach noted an initial letter was sent to the property owners to give them as much notice as possible.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if there were any comments from the public and there were none.

Ms. Southard asked Mr. Dreisbach to explain to the public what their responsibilities were and what the City's responsibilities were. Mr. Dreisbach advised by Ordinance, property owners were responsible for their curbs, gutters and sidewalks and the City was responsible for paving the street up to the curb.

Mr. McKeehan noted many communities followed the same process.

Mr. Ellerbe moved to adopt Resolution No. 4976. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

RESOLUTION
PAVING CONTRACT

A Resolution No. 4977 accepting the bid and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract with John R. Jurgensen Co. for the 2016 resurfacing and maintenance work at a cost of \$390,298.90 plus a contingency amount of 1.2% of the contract price or \$4,792.00 for a total cost not to exceed \$395,090.90. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Mr. Dreisbach advised the City had a total budget this year of just over \$395,000 for the annual paving program and \$350,000 of that came from the Capital Improvement Fund. Mr. Dreisbach noted a little over \$45,000 was 2015 CDBG funds. Mr. Dreisbach advised all streets recommended for paving were shown in Exhibit "A" on page 26 of Council's packet. Mr. Dreisbach noted the City advertised for bids for the paving program and received 3 responses with John R. Jergensen being the lowest and best bidder. Mr. Dreisbach advised the City had worked with the John R. Jergensen Company numerous times in the past and he recommended the City award them the contract for the paving project.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if there were any comments from the public and there were none.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if this was step 2 of the process Mr. Dreisbach explained regarding the Resolution of necessity. Mr. Dreisbach advised no, this was an unrelated project.

Mr. Dana moved to adopt Resolution No. 4977. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 6-0-1 with Mr. McKeehan abstaining.

Mr. McKeehan noted he abstained because he lived on one of the streets in question.

RESOLUTION
DEDICATED BIKE LANES

A Resolution authorizing the installation of striped bicycle lanes on Wells Mill Drive (entire length), McGuffey Avenue (entire length) and on US 27 South from Chestnut Street to University Park Boulevard. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Mr. Dreisbach advised in 2014 Council accepted the Shifting Gears plan as part of the City's Bike and Pedestrian Safety Improvement Plan which was incorporated into the Transportation Chapter of the Comprehensive Plan. Mr. Dreisbach noted with that plan one of the short term recommendations was that of dedicated bike lanes on the entire length of Wells Mill Drive and on the entire length of McGuffey Avenue. Mr. Dreisbach advised the bike lanes would not displace very many cars as a low volume of cars parked on those streets. Mr. Dreisbach noted most properties had driveways and the commercial buildings had off street parking lots. Mr. Dreisbach pointed out 3 properties (on a slide) that would be most impacted by the elimination of on street parking.

Mr. Blackburn inquired if property owners were notified of the plan to install dedicated bike lanes.

Mr. Dreisbach advised on March 24, 2016 a letter was sent to property owners alerting them this issue would be heard tonight at Council and they were invited to come and speak or send comments to the Service Department. Mr. Dreisbach noted the Service Department had received no comments as of today.

Mr. Vincent Hand, 511 E. Chestnut Street, noted his support for the proposed Resolution and thanked City staff for bringing bicycle striping forward early in the planning process rather than later. Mr. Hand as a member of Oxford's Environmental Commission noted he felt the commission would support the Resolution as well.

Mr. Matt Franke, 4567 Riggs Road, advised he owned property at 700 McGuffey Avenue and inquired if there was a master plan for bike lanes in Oxford. Mr. Franke inquired if cars had to move from McGuffey Avenue to park on side streets if those side streets would be next for bike lanes. Mr. Franke noted his concern for people living on McGuffey with single garages and single driveways noting he had a car parked on the street when he lived there. Mr. Franke inquired why McGuffey was being done right now and Spring Street was not being done right now.

Mr. Dreisbach advised the plan called for no further dedicated bike lanes in this area. Mr. Dreisbach noted Council directed staff to review the bike lane plan in conjunction with future capital improvement projects and this part of the plan was relatively easy to implement in conjunction with the resurfacing program this year. Mr. Elliott added it was understood when the Shifting Gears plan was adopted that each part of it would be voted on by Council.

Mr. Dana noted striped bike lanes on Wells Mill and McGuffey would be a great benefit if one was bicycling from the Tollgate area to the Rec Center.

Mr. Ellerbe suggested on McGuffey from Brill to Chestnut using mixed use arrows on one side of the street and allow parking on the other side of the street.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired how Council could proceed and 'tweak' this portion of the plan. Mr. Elliott advised the Resolution could be tabled and staff could make recommendations for Council to consider at a later date.

Ms. Southard encouraged Council to take into account the work people had already done on this plan and the thought they had put into it to make it safe for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians. Ms. Southard advised she was in favor of continuing the plan as proposed.

Mr. McKeehan advised his comments were the same as in 2014 noting a lot of research seemed to be done regarding the needs of bicyclists and roadways but Council didn't hear a lot about the impact on neighboring properties. Mr. McKeehan noted the impact on residents may have been missed a bit in the process.

Mr. Dana inquired if a study had been done regarding displaced cars. Mr. Dreisbach advised many more cars were displaced when dedicated bike lanes were installed on Spring Street. Mr. Dreisbach noted when he surveyed the area only one car was parked on the street. Mr. Dreisbach advised he expected to hear from residents when the notification letter was sent but as of today the Service Department had received no comments.

Mayor Rousmaniere agreed with Ms. Southard noting this topic had been under discussion and research for several years. Mayor Rousmaniere advised Council did make an alternate plan for Spring Street in terms of dedicated space and shared space for bicycles. Mayor Rousmaniere noted she supported tabling the Resolution and continuing the discussion. Mr. Elliott advised staff would provide some options for Council to consider.

Mr. Blackburn moved to table the proposed Resolution and requested staff to bring additional bike lane options forward. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

ORDINANCE
FIRST READING

ORDINANCE
ROW VACATION REQUEST

An Ordinance No. 3349 Approving The Right-Of-Way Vacation Request To Vacate Two Rights Of Way Off Of Southpointe Parkway And Declaring An Emergency. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen showed a slide of the Fields of Southpointe Planned Development which depicted the area where the two stub streets to be vacated were located.

Mr. Dana referred to Section 3 of the proposed Ordinance on page 36 of Council's packet "that said right of way vacation of these two rights of way off of Southpointe Parkway is not detrimental to the general public interest." and inquired why it was being brought forth as an emergency.

Mr. Elliott advised the City had no need for the right-of-way as those streets would be private streets. Mr. Elliott noted the project was approved by Council and by the Planning Commission earlier with the condition the stub streets would be vacated. Mr. Elliott advised there was confusion as to whether a request for the vacation needed to be brought forward and indeed it did need to be brought forward. Mr. Elliott noted he felt it was not right for the City to further delay the Planned Development project and was asking for an emergency Ordinance. Mr. Elliott advised he did not normally like to ask for emergency legislation but he was in this situation. Mr. Elliott noted Section 302 of the City Charter allowed for emergency ordinances with an affirmative vote from $\frac{3}{4}$ of Council and it becomes effective upon passage.

Mr. Ellerbe inquired if the emergency suspended the second reading and the 30 day waiting period and Mr. Elliott advised yes.

Mr. Blackburn moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3349 as an emergency. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. McKeehan, Mr. Smith, Mr. Blackburn, Ms. Southard, Mr. Dana
Mayor Rousmaniere (7)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ORDINANCE
STREET NAME CHANGE

An Ordinance Changing The Name Of “Corporate Woods Lane” In The Fields Of Southpointe Planned Development To “Ironwood Drive” And Directing The Clerk Of Council To Forward A Certified Copy Of This Ordinance To The County Engineer For The Appropriate Change On The Planned Development Plat. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised the Final Planned Development of the Fields of Southpointe indicated new private streets would be extended on the existing Corporate Woods Lane with a new name of Ironwood Drive. Mr. Chen noted in the interest of public safety it was best to rename the existing Corporate Woods Lane to Ironwood Drive as well. Mr. Chen noted no address had been assigned to Corporate Woods Lane and there would be no impact from the proposed name change. Mr. Chen advised the consensus from the Planning Commission when reviewing this development was to name all streets with native tree names.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if there were any comments from the public and there were none.

Mayor Rousmaniere advised the Ordinance would receive a second reading at the next meeting.

ORDINANCE
SALARY INCREASE

An Ordinance Increasing The Salary Of The Mayor And Council Members. (Edna Southard, Councilor)

Mr. Elliott advised the salary for the Oxford Mayor and Council Members was last increased in 2000. Mr. Elliott noted the salary at that time for Council Members was \$1,800 per year and it was increased by \$1,400 per year to \$3,200. Mr. Elliott advised the Mayor’s salary was increased from \$1,900 to \$3,800 per year. Mr. Elliott noted based on his discussion with Councilor Southard he was proposing the salaries for the Council and the Mayor be increased by \$1,500 per year. Mr. Elliott advised this would increase the annual salary to \$4,700 for Council Members and \$5,300 for the Mayor. Mr. Elliott noted based a chart he provided earlier for the other five Butler County cities, this increase would make Oxford Council Members and Mayor salaries more comparable. Mr. Elliott advised since the City Charter precluded Council Members from voting themselves an increase, it would effect only newly elected Council Members or those re-elected in November 2017. Mr. Elliott reiterated the recommendation was based on a discussion with Ms. Southard as it was not his place to make salary recommendations for Council Members.

Ms. Southard advised the Ordinance was being proposed because its been such a long time since an increase was made.

Ms. Southard noted this was an attempt to plan for the future as it would not affect anyone sitting on the dais right now. Ms. Southard advised people should not be precluded from running for Council because they could not afford to. Ms. Southard noted the salary should be comparable to communities of the same size.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if there were any comments from the public and there were none.

Mr. Ellerbe suggested increasing the salary \$1,600 per year making it an even \$4,800 for Council Members or \$400 per month and \$450 per month for the Mayor. Mr. Ellerbe noted it could also be looked at as \$100 per year since the last increase.

Mr. Ellerbe moved to increase the annual salary of Council Members to \$4,800 and to increase the annual salary of Mayor to \$5,400. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 6-1-0 with Mr. McKeehan voting nay.

Mayor Rousmaniere advised the amended Ordinance would be on the next agenda for second reading.

ORDINANCE **NEW SPECIFICATION MANUAL**

An Ordinance Adopting A Revised And Amended Water And Sanitary Sewer Improvements Specifications And Backflow Cross Connection Control Manual. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Mr. Dreisbach advised this document was last updated in 2010 and prior to that in 2005. Mr. Dreisbach noted staff tried to review the document every 5 years and make clarifications where necessary as other references cited could have changed their practices and policies. Mr. Dreisbach advised staff also tried to simplify the document where possible. Mr. Dreisbach noted in addition to this years minor changes, staff proposed to merge the Backflow Cross Connection Manual into the document.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if there were any comments from the public and there were none.

Mr. Dana referred to page 33 of the proposed manual and asked what general provisions were made in the document that concerned relationships across jurisdictions. Mr. Dreisbach advised the utility served as its own body and staff did not ask township trustees for their approval in how to operate the utility. Mr. Dreisbach noted this was a city utility that operated beyond the borders of the corporate limits of Oxford.

Mayor Rousmaniere noted the Environmental Commission had worked on a revised Storm Water Manual for some time and inquired what the status of it was. Mr. Dreisbach advised the Environmental Commission proposed to add a huge chapter to the manual and it was under technical review.

ORDINANCE
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 3335. Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 3 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal Year 2016. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Mr. Newlin addressed the issues in the proposed supplemental budget as outlined on pages 60 and 61 of Council's packet. Mr. Elliott also addressed issue 3 regarding a preliminary plat for City owned property, and issue 4 regarding salary increases for Fire Captains.

Mayor Rousmaniere inquired if there were any comments from the public or from Council and there were none.

Mayor Rousmaniere noted the proposed Ordinance would receive a second reading at the next meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Elliott advised last Friday he and Mr. Newlin kicked off the Learning In Retirement program entitled 'Local Government – How the City of Oxford Operates II' and the topic of discussion was the City budget. Mr. Elliott noted it was a good discussion and it was well attended. Ms. Southard added that this Friday, Mr. Chen and Mr. Perry would speak about Planning & Zoning in Oxford.

Mr. Elliott updated Council and the public with regard to the City owned property in the Silverleaf Meadows Subdivision.

Mr. Elliott advised a Charter Advisory Commission meeting was scheduled for April 26, 2016.

Chief Jones advised a retirement celebration would take place for Sergeant Pete Reising before the next Council meeting on April 19th from 5-7 p.m. at LaRosas in Oxford. Chief Jones noted Sergeant Reising served the City for 30 years and would be recognized at the City Council meeting at 7:30 p.m. Chief Jones advised Officer Ben Hool would be sworn-in as Police Sergeant at the same meeting.

Mr. Newlin congratulated Chief Jones on his appointment and noted he looked forward to working with him in the financial trenches.

Mr. Chen advised a National Walk Day Celebration would take place tomorrow in the Uptown Park at 5:15 p.m. Mr. Chen noted the goal was to reach 7 million steps in 7 days. Mr. Chen noted last year the goal was 1 million steps and the community walked 4 million steps. Mr. Chen noted he hoped to see everyone there tomorrow.

Mr. Kyger welcomed a new business to Uptown Oxford and noted Bowtie Barber Club had their grand opening this week.

Mr. Kyger noted he felt Kate Currie did fine work with the Kinetics Festival, it was unique to the Oxford area and a great event.

Mr. Kyger referred to an item in the Supplemental Budget on tonight's agenda and thanked Council on behalf of City employees for the flexible spending account program.

Ms. Eaton noted the Freedom Fund Banquet was April 17th and asked anyone else interested in attending to let her know.

Mr. McKeehan congratulated Chief Jones on his appointment and noted he was proud to have Chief Jones serving the City.

Mr. Ellerbe congratulated Chief Jones on his appointment and thanked him for his service to the City.

Mr. Dana congratulated Chief Jones on his appointment.

Mr. Dana announced Mayor Rousmaniere had been awarded the highest medal that could be awarded to any member of the Miami University faculty which was the Benjamin Harrison Award for her civic engagement, and for her research and teaching. Mr. Dana asked for a round of applause for Mayor Rousmaniere.

Mr. Dana advised last week he and Mr. Blackburn attended a conference for elected officials on heroin addiction which was very informative and noted the scale of the disease could not be over-stated. Mr. Dana advised two more sessions were scheduled for administrators and elected officials where solutions would be discussed.

Mr. Dana advised HB-492 was recently introduced in the legislature which proposed to leverage one billion dollars from the State's Rainy Day Fund to provide low interest loans and grants to local governments to help address infrastructure maintenance, projects and improvements. Mr. Dana noted there was nothing to prevent the City of Oxford from looking at infrastructure needs and submitting information to sponsors of the bill.

Mr. Smith welcomed Chief Jones to the management team for the City of Oxford.

Ms. Southard congratulated Chief Jones on his appointment and noted it was a honor to do a ride along on with him on Green Beer Day.

Ms. Southard congratulated Mayor Rousmaniere on receiving the Benjamin Harrison award.

Ms. Southard noted there were some terrific events taking place in Oxford in April.

Mr. Blackburn congratulated Chief Jones noting it was a pleasure to serve the City with him.

Mr. Blackburn advised he did some research on the Benjamin Harrison Medallion Award and noted it was one of the most significant recognitions Miami University offered to faculty for contributions attesting to qualities of teaching, research, and or service. Mr. Blackburn noted Benjamin Harrison was an 1852 Miami University graduate and the 23rd President of the United States serving from 1889 to 1893. Mr. Blackburn congratulated Mayor Rousmaniere on her award noting it was a 'Big Deal'.

Mr. Blackburn referred to the conference he and Mr. Dana attended regarding heroin addiction and noted elected officials from Cincinnati, Kentucky and Indiana were in attendance. Mr. Blackburn advised heroin was not the drug of the homeless, it was the drug of our friends, neighbors and families. Mr. Blackburn noted heroin was grown in several countries but the most prominent producers were in Afghanistan and Mexico. Mr. Blackburn advised the conference was hosted by the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by St. Elizabeth Hospital of Kentucky and Duke Energy. Mr. Blackburn noted the program was designed to help people understand the problem and think of it as a disease. Mr. Blackburn advised the drug was very addictive to start with however the product on the streets now was often cut with fentanyl which was twice as addictive as heroin. Mr. Blackburn noted heroin was very inexpensive and for \$5 a person could get high and for \$10 they could kill them self. Mr. Blackburn advised additional sessions on heroin addiction were scheduled for April 28th and June 2nd and he and Mr. Dana would attend those sessions. Mr. Blackburn noted he and Mr. Dana felt if they could save one persons life they were doing their job.

Mayor Rousmaniere noted she was pleased Mr. Blackburn and Mr. Dana attended the session and were planning to attend the next two. Mayor Rousmaniere advised the Coalition for a Healthy Community Workgroup was working on the issue of prescription and other drugs.

ADJOURN

Mr. Dana moved to adjourn at 9:36 p.m. Mr. Smith seconded. The motion passed 7-0-0.

**CITY OF OXFORD
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

Report to the City Manager

Community Development
Originating Department

Council Meeting Of: April 19, 2016

Sam Perry
Prepared By

Account Code No. #:

April 13, 2016
Date Prepared

Budgeted Amount:

HAPC MEETING REPORT – April 6, 2016
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Old Business

HAPC-2016-03, 12 S. Beech Street, Wall Mural, Tom Uhl Applicant

This was a follow-up to a pre-application discussion in December 2015. The owner of Stella's Restaurant requested approval to install a wall mural on the north-facing wall that is currently blank. The owner and artist made revisions and provided additional information based upon the December feedback from HAPC. The Commission discussed the revisions with the applicant. The Commission voted 4-0 to approve the Certificate of Appropriateness with the condition that the lighting details be reviewed administratively.

Correspondence and Announcements

May, National Preservation Month, activities were discussed.

A copy of the Section 106 Review of the Lawrence A. Williams Airport Hangar at Miami University Airport, was provided.

New Planning Commission representative, Peter McCarthy, was in attendance and discussed Planning Commission work projects that may overlap with HAPC expertise.

Historic Marker Applications are being accepted through May.

Next regular meeting is May 4, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

Department Head:	<u>JHC</u> / 4/13/16
City Attorney:	<u>DRE</u> / 4/13/16
City Manager:	

CITY OF OXFORD

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

Report to the City Manager

Council Meeting of: April 19, 2016

Service Department
Originating Department

Account Code #: N/A

David Treleven
Prepared By

Budgeted Amount: N/A

April 8, 2016
Date Prepared

Agenda Title:	Environmental Commission Meeting of April 6, 2016
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Recommendation:	For Review and Consideration
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Discussion:

Environmental Commission members present at the Wednesday, April 6, 2016 meeting were: Chair, Mr. Wright Gwyn; Vice-Chair, Mr. Vince Hand; Planning Commission Representative, Mr. Robert Bell; Mr. Ted Wong, Mr. Kevin Armitage, and Ms. Madeline Maurer. A quorum was present. City Council Representative, Mayor Kate Rousmaniere had previously informed the Commission that she would be unable to attend this meeting.

The minutes from the March 2, 2016 Environmental Commission meeting were unanimously approved as presented.

Vice-Chair Hand had attended the April 5, 2016 City Council meeting and reported that a proposed expansion of designated bicycle lanes was discussed. The locations being considered were the entire length of Wells Mill Drive and McGuffey Avenue, as well as a portion of Millville-Oxford Road (U.S. Route 27) from East Chestnut Street to University Park Boulevard. An Oxford resident that owns property on McGuffey Avenue voiced concern about the loss of curbside vehicular parking due to the introduction of the bicycle lanes. City Council opted to table the proposed expansion of the bicycle lanes to allow for additional options to be considered. Mr. Bell subsequently informed the Commission that the Planning Commission's Transportation Subcommittee had met earlier in the day on Wednesday, April 6, 2016 where alternatives for the elimination of curbside parking along McGuffey Drive were considered. The Transportation Subcommittee is considering retention of curbside parking along one direction of travel on McGuffey Drive, with a designated bicycling lane along the driver's side of the parking lane, reduction of both vehicular traffic lanes to 11 feet wide (12 feet wide is the current Oxford minimum), and a designated bicycle lane curbside in the other travel direction.

Vice-Chair Hand also stated that the City Council was considering the development of residential lots by Oxford in the Western Knolls area. Vice-Chair Hand suggested that it might be appropriate to incorporate elements of conservation development into Oxford's design as an example of ecologically sound development. Mr. Bell was not aware if the Planning Commission had any pending development plans for the Western Knolls area.

Mr. Bell informed the Commission that the Planning Commission has been tasked with investigation of how to encourage re-development of parcels within the Mile Square for new student housing, particularly the areas in close proximity to Miami University's campus. With this in mind, the work that the Environ-

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Approved By:

Department Head:
City Manager:

Initial Date

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DRE 4/13/16

mental Commission had been undertaking regarding suggested revision to Oxford's ordinances concerning planned developments would likely not be acted upon by the Planning Commission in the near future. Also, the Planning Commission had received a preliminary, conceptual design for single-family residential development plan extending Country Club Drive and connecting with Olde Farm Road.

Chair Gwyn provided an edited copy of a letter that the City of Forest Park had sent to several Ohio state government representatives regarding Ohio's decision to suspend expansion of the renewable and energy efficiency standards. The edited copy incorporated references to Governor Kasich's comments during the recent presidential debates. Commissioners voted on a Resolution endorsing the Mayor's signature and submittal of the letter to the Ohio state officials referenced in the letter. The Resolution passed with five in favor, one opposed, and no abstentions.

Chair Gwyn had recently received an advertisement for electrical aggregation in the mail. Chair Gwyn suggested that public outreach and education might be appropriate, reminding Oxford citizens that the community already had an electrical aggregation program in place, that an option for 100% renewable electrical generation was present, and that the program was doing well. Possible methods of delivering the public outreach and education materials were discussed. Staff informed Commissioners that the postage for the pending printed annual drinking water Consumer Confidence Report to all utility accounts was over \$1,000, and available space on the City's monthly utility bills was very limited. Commissioners indicated that electronic distribution would be the preferred, affordable method(s) of distribution. Vice-Chair Hand indicated he would contact the League of Women Voters regarding the outreach/education, as the League had been active in instituting Oxford's electrical aggregation program in the first place.

Staff updated Commissioners on upcoming events. The Earth Day "EarthFest" activities are scheduled for Saturday, April 16, 2016 in the Uptown Memorial Park from 10:00 A.M. until 1:00 P.M. The Environmental Commission is sponsoring a table of handout information at the event and Staff is schedule to manage the table during the event. The Tree City USA Awards program is scheduled for 10:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. in West Carrollton, Ohio on Friday, April 22, 2016. This is Oxford's 20th consecutive year achieving the Tree City USA status. A tree is to be planted at the Oxford Community Park in observation of Arbor Day on Friday, April 29, 2016 at 11:30 A.M. Following the Arbor Day tree planting, a ceremony in recognition of the two trees sponsored in the past year as part of the Memorial Tree Plaque program will start at 12:00 noon at the Oxford Community Park. Commissioners were invited to attend these events.

The Commissioners concluded discussion at 8:25 p.m. The next scheduled meeting of the Environmental Commission is on Wednesday, May 4, 2016 at 7:00 p.m., in the Municipal Building's Second Floor Conference Room.

CITY OF OXFORD

STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

Report to the City Manager

Council Meeting of: April 19, 2016

Service Department
Originating Department

Account Code #: N/A

David Treleaven
Prepared By

Budgeted Amount: N/A

April, 11 2016
Date Prepared

Agenda Title: Environmental Commission Resolution of Support

Recommendation: For Review and Consideration

Discussion:

During the regularly scheduled meeting of the Environmental Commission on April 6, 2016, a quorum was present including: Chair, Mr. Wright Gwyn; Vice-Chair, Mr. Vince Hand; Planning Commission Representative, Mr. Robert Bell; Mr. Ted Wong, Mr. Kevin Armitage, and Ms. Madeline Maurer. City Council Representative, Mayor Kate Rousmaniere had previously informed the Commission that she would be unable to attend this meeting.

Over the last several meetings, Commissioners had been preparing a letter of endorsement for the Mayor's signature, regarding Ohio's renewable and energy efficiency standards.

Commissioners voted on a motion endorsing the Mayor's signature and submittal of the letter to the Ohio state officials referenced in the letter. The motion passed with five in favor, one opposed, and no abstentions. Although not present at the April 6, 2016 Environmental Commission meeting, Mayor Rousmaniere had indicated her support of the motion in correspondence with the Commission.

Approved By:

Department Head:
City Manager:

Initial Date

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DTRE 4/15/16

RESOLUTION NO.

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A REQUEST BY THE OXFORD, OHIO, ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION TO SUBMIT A LETTER TO THE OHIO GOVERNOR, SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO RECONSIDER THEIR OPPOSITION TO THE "CLEAN POWER PLAN" AND TO ACTIVELY PURSUE THE DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: A request to Oxford City Council was made by the Environmental Commission to submit a letter in support of renewable energy development to State Officials as set forth in Exhibit "A" attached hereto.

SECTION 2: A State "freeze" on further renewable energy development is not in the City's or the State's best interest both fiscally and environmentally.

SECTION 3: The City of Oxford, Ohio, supports renewable energy development through a Municipal Electric Aggregation Program and 99.4% of the City's enrolled residents and businesses purchase their electric energy generated from wind farms.

SECTION 4: The Mayor of the City of Oxford, Ohio, is hereby authorized to sign and submit the letter attached hereto as Exhibit "A" to State officials

SECTION 5: This resolution shall take effect at the earliest date allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: KATE ROUSMANIERE

PREPARED BY: OXFORD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION

April 5, 2016

The Honorable John Kasich
Office of the Governor
77 S. High Street
30th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

The Honorable Keith Faber
Ohio Senate
1 Capitol Square
2nd Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

The Honorable Cliff Rosenberger
Ohio House of Representatives
77 S. High Street
14th Floor
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: Clean Power Plan

Dear Governor Kasich, President Faber and Speaker Rosenberger:

This year will be a turning point for Ohio's economy. As state leaders, you will be forced to deal with two significant energy issues that will define our economy for years to come: the federal carbon regulations, also known as the Clean Power Plan, and the freeze on Ohio's renewable and energy efficiency standards.

Though Ohio is challenging the Clean Power Plan, many legal experts agree that it is, in reality, an exercise in futility. They believe the Clean Power Plan is going to move forward and states are going to have to plan to reduce carbon emissions by 32 percent by 2030. This is an achievable plan that can be accomplished in a number of ways. States with smart economic and sustainable energy policies are increasingly adding clean energy as a means to cut carbon and create jobs.

However, Ohio's renewable standards are currently in the deep freeze. As you know, the Ohio Legislature voted in 2014 to freeze the standards, which were set to move us to 25 percent clean energy by 2025 (currently 2.5%) and reduce consumption 22.5 percent by 2025, and establish a study committee to provide recommendations on changes to the standards. Many hoped the committee would return with changes that would "fine tune" and improve these standards. Instead, in 2015, the Energy Mandates Study Committee chose to extend the freeze indefinitely. Media across the state, the business community, and Chambers of Commerce sharply criticized this action.

This action is contrary to Governor Kasich's recent statement (*Cincinnati Enquirer*, Feb. 21, 2016) recognizing that "human beings affect the climate" and "we need to develop all of the renewables." It also contradicts his statements supporting renewable energy development made during several of his presidential debates. This action is leading Ohio in the opposite direction of at least 40 states that have either initiated steps to meet the goals of the Clean Power Plan or announced their support for it. For example, California, a major manufacturing and agricultural competitor of Ohio, has set ambitious goals:

- 50 percent clean energy by 2030 and
- 80 percent reduction in greenhouse-gas emissions by 2050.

Our neighboring states have also established renewable energy standards and are actively pursuing them.

- Pennsylvania – 18 percent clean energy by 2021
- Indiana – 10 percent clean energy by 2025
- Virginia – 15 percent clean energy by 2025
- Illinois – 25 percent clean energy by 2026

As one can see, Ohio has the potential to fall behind other states in its pursuit of developing economic opportunities. Without renewable energy and energy efficiency standards, we'll be forced to cut our carbon emissions elsewhere in order to stay in compliance with the Clean Power Plan. This could very easily cost Ohio jobs, impact our public health, and slow our economy, all of which would put our state at a competitive disadvantage.

Communities throughout Ohio are working hard to help the state meet these renewable standards. Whether it is constructing new LEED Certified buildings, retrofitting existing buildings with increased insulation and more energy efficient lighting and HVAC systems, or developing/passing energy aggregation legislation utilizing wind and solar as part of their energy network, Ohio communities are extending a hand in helping the state reach these important goals. Oxford has recently joined the effort by passing electric aggregation legislation that resulted in over 99% of its households choosing renewable wind energy for their electrical power.

Ohio communities are doing their part in reaching the goals set within the Clean Power Plan; we implore you to do yours. We ask that Ohio re-activate the standards set forth in the Clean Power Plan and actively pursue innovative solutions in developing smart economic growth and sustainable energy policies. It would be a shame to watch from a distance as our neighboring states benefit from our lack of vision.

Respectfully,

Kate Rousmaniere, Mayor

C: Council
City Manager

**CITY OF OXFORD
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

Report to the City Manager

Community Development
Originating Department

Council Meeting Of: April 5,, 2016

Jung-Han Chen

Account Code No. #:

Prepared By

Budgeted Amount: N/A

March 30, 2016

Date Prepared

Agenda Title:	Street Renaming: Corporate Woods Lane to Ironwood Drive
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Recommendation:	Approval
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The final Planned Development of the Fields of Southpointe indicated new private streets will be extended off the existing Corporate Woods Lane with a new name of Ironwood Drive.

Public safety should be taken into account with this decision. The street name needs to be continued across the intersecting street to avoid confusion and to provide logical address numbers to direct first responders to the caller residence with minimum delay. The consensus from the Planning Commission when reviewing this development project was to name all streets with native tree names.

There are no street addresses associated with Corporate Woods Lane at this time. Therefore, there will be no impact from this name change.

Attached is the location map where the street in question is located.

Approved By:	Department Head:	Initial Date
	City Manager:	<u>JNC 3-30-16</u>
		<u>DAK 4-1-16</u>

ORDINANCE NO.

ORDINANCE CHANGING THE NAME OF "CORPORATE WOODS LANE" IN THE FIELDS OF SOUTHPOINTE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT TO "IRONWOOD DRIVE" AND DIRECTING THE CLERK OF COUNCIL TO FORWARD A CERTIFIED COPY OF THIS ORDINANCE TO THE COUNTY ENGINEER FOR THE APPROPRIATE CHANGE ON THE PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PLAT.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

Section 1: Council hereby finds the consensus of the Planning Commission when reviewing the Fields of Southpointe development project was to name all streets therein with native tree species names.

SECTION 2: Council hereby orders the change of that certain street in the Fields of Southpointe Planned Development presently designated as "Corporate Woods Lane" be changed and officially designated as "Ironwood Drive".

SECTION 3: The Clerk of Council shall prepare a certified copy of this Ordinance upon its passage and shall forward the same to the office of the County Engineer, requesting that the appropriate change of said street name be entered upon the Planned Development plat, and appropriate records.

SECTION 4: This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: KATE ROUSMANIERE

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)



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March 21, 2016

Mr. Sam Perry, AICP
Planner
City of Oxford
101 East High Street
Oxford, Ohio 45056

Re: Corporate Woods Lane
Street Name Change Request

Dear Mr. Perry:

On behalf of Trinitas Development LLC, we request that Corporate Woods Lane be changed to Ironwood Drive.

Please place this item on the next available City Council meeting agenda.

Should you have any questions, or need any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Etta M. Reed'.

Etta M. Reed, PE

Cc: Damian VanMatre, Trinitas Ventures LLC

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Mason, OH 45040
513-336-6600

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STAFF SUMMARY REPORT

Report to the City Manager

City Manager

Originating Department

Council Meeting Of: April 5, 2016

Doug Elliott

Account Code No. #: N/A

Prepared By

Budgeted Amount: N/A

March 23, 2016

Date Prepared

Agenda Title: An Ordinance Increasing The Salary Of The Mayor And Council Members.

Recommendation: Adopt the Ordinance

Discussion:

The salary for the Oxford Mayor and Council members was last increased in 2000. The current salary for Mayor is \$3,800 per year and the current salary for Council members is \$3,200 per year. Based on my discussions with Council member Edna Southard, I am proposing a \$1,500 increase per year for the Mayor and for the Council members or \$5,300 for the Mayor and \$4,700 for Council members. Per Sections 2.05 and 2.08 of the City Charter no increase in salary shall ever take place during the term of the Mayor or Council members in office at the time the Ordinance to establish a new salary is adopted. If approved, the proposed salary would be effective in November 2017 and only for newly elected Council members.

At the April 5, 2016 Council Meeting, Council amended the proposed salary increases to \$1,600 per year. The proposed salary for the Mayor is now \$5,400 and the proposed salary for Council members is now \$4,800.

Approved By:

Initial Date

Department Head:

City Manager:

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ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE INCREASING THE SALARY OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBERS.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: Pursuant to the authority granted Council by Charter Section 2.08 entitled Salary of Mayor, and Section 2.05 entitled Salary, the annual salary of the Mayor is hereby set at \$5,400.00 effective on adoption of this Ordinance and the annual salary of Council members is hereby set at \$4,800.00 effective on adoption of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2: All prior Ordinances adopted pursuant to the authority of Sections 2.05 and 2.08 of the Charter of the City of Oxford, be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3: This ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: EDNA SOUTHARD

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)

DRG 4/1/14

*** Clarifications of definitions, terms, and national standards utilized in operating City of Oxford utility operations.**

*** Minimum insurance limits for contractors working on utility systems within the City of Oxford utility service areas.**

*** The City may require a downstream manhole on new developments and / or utility extensions for the purposes of inspection and effluent sampling.**

*** Standard drawings were updated and clarified.**

Upon Council approval of the revised *City of Oxford Water and Sanitary Sewer Improvement Specifications Manual*, staff will notify existing owners of record of our *Manual* of modifications to the document.

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A REVISED AND AMENDED WATER AND SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENT SPECIFICATIONS AND BACKFLOW CROSS CONNECTION CONTROL MANUAL.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: The City Manager and the Service Director recommend the adoption of the revised and amended portions of the Water and Sanitary Sewer Improvement Specifications and Backflow Cross Connection Control Manual attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Attachment 'A' for the purpose of establishing construction standards for the construction of water and sanitary sewer systems in the City of Oxford.

SECTION 2: Council hereby accepts the recommendation of the City Manager and the Service Director and hereby adopts the revised and amended Water and Sanitary System Improvement Specifications and Backflow Cross Connection Control Manual attached hereto and incorporated herein by reference as Attachment 'A' and orders all water and sanitary sewer systems to be constructed or improved henceforth under the standards of the Manual.

SECTION 3: This Ordinance shall take effect at the earliest time allowed by law.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: KATE ROUSMANIERE

PREPARED BY: LAW(STAFF)

**CITY OF OXFORD
STAFF SUMMARY REPORT**

Report to City Manager

Council Meeting Of : 4/5/2016

Account Code No. : see below

Budgeted Amount :

Finance
Originating Department

Joe Newlin
Prepared By

3/30/2016
Date Prepared

Agenda Title:	2016 Supplemental Budget #3
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Recommendation:	Approve
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Issue 1

To make adjustment to account for the request from the Coalition for a Healthy Community request received March 9th for a \$1,000 donation for the 2016.

Action Needed:

Revenue Side

N/A

Expense Side

General Fund (110)	1,000.00	Appropriation from unencumbered balance for donation to Coalition for a Healthy Community
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Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s) Increase/(Decrease)	(1,000.00)
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Issue 2

To make adjustment to account for Collins Run Rd Improvements & Chestnut St. Signalization for construction in 2017. In the 2017 budget \$331,800 payment from the Ohio Public Works Commission will be budgeted to make the true cost to the City of \$88,200.

Revenue Side

Capital Improvement (141)	331,800.00	Advance from General Fund
General Fund (110)	331,800.00	Repayment of advance from Capital Improvement Fund

Expense Side

General Fund (110)	331,800.00	Appropriation of advance to Capital Improvement Fund from unencumbered balance
Capital Improvement (141)	420,000.00	Appropriation of Collins Run Rd Improvements & Chestnut St. Signalization from unencumbered balance
Capital Improvement (141)	331,800.00	Appropriation of advance to Capital Improvement Fund from unencumbered balance

Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s) Increase/(Decrease)	(420,000.00)
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Issue 3

To make adjustment to account for the preliminary subdivision plat for the Western Knolls property from Bayer Becker for a price not to exceed \$32,320.

Action Needed:

Revenue Side

N/A

Expense Side

General Fund (110)	32,320.00	Appropriation from unencumbered balance for preliminary subdivision plat for the Western Knolls property
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Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s)	(32,320.00)
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Increase/(Decrease)

Issue 4

To make adjustment to account for 5.0% increase in current year Capitan's salaries in Fire & EMS Fund

Action Needed:		Original Budget	Amended Budget	Budget
Revenue Side	Salaries & Wages	831,126	838,822	7,696
	Overtime	37,000	37,000	0
	Personnel Benefits	273,555	276,176	2,621
	N/A Volunteer Recognition	3,300	3,300	0
	Total	1,144,981	1,155,298	10,317
Expense Side				
Fire & EMS Fund (418)		10,317.00	Appropriation from unencumbered balance for salary & benefit increases	
Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s)		(10,317.00)		
Increase/(Decrease)				

Issue 5

To make adjustment to account for depletion of Flexible Spending Account due to large use at beginning of year. Many users spent most of their entire years worth of Flexible Spending Account prior to having it withheld from their paychecks.

Revenue Side

Employee Benefits (230)	5,000.00	Advance from General Fund
General Fund (110)	5,000.00	Repayment of advance from Employee Benefit Fund

Expense Side

General Fund (110)	5,000.00	Appropriation of advance to Employee Benefits Fund from unencumbered balance
Employee Benefits (230)	5,000.00	Appropriation to repay an advance to General Fund from unencumbered balance

Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s)	-
Increase/(Decrease)	
Total Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s)	(463,637.00)
Increase/(Decrease)	

Breakdown by Fund

General Fund (110)	(33,320.00)
Capital Improvement (141)	(420,000.00)
Employee Benefits (230)	-
Fire & EMS Fund (418)	(10,317.00)
Net Effect on Fund Balance/(s)	(463,637.00)
Increase/(Decrease)	

Approved By:	Department Head:	Initials	Date
			3/30/16
	City Manager:		4/1/16

ORDINANCE NO.

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 3335. SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET ORDINANCE NUMBER 3 TO MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, BUTLER COUNTY, STATE OF OHIO, THAT:

SECTION 1: Additional appropriations are needed for the current fiscal year and monies are available for appropriation in those funds, and changes to estimated revenues;

SECTION 2: The following increase/(decrease) in appropriations from unencumbered balances be made:

General Fund 110	1,000.00
Capital Improvement Fund 141	420,000.00
General Fund 110	32,320.00
General Fund 110	331,800.00
Capital Improvement Fund 141	331,800.00
Fire & EMS Fund 418	10,317.00
General Fund 110	5,000.00
Employee Benefit Fund 230	5,000.00

SECTION 3: The following advances(s) be executed:

Advance from:	
General Fund 110	331,800.00
Capital Improvement Fund 141	331,800.00
General Fund 110	5,000.00
Employee Benefit Fund 230	5,000.00

Advance to:	
Capital Improvement Fund 141	331,800.00
General Fund 110	331,800.00
Employee Benefit Fund 230	5,000.00
General Fund 110	5,000.00

SECTION 4: The following increase/(decrease) in revenues be made:

Capital Improvement Fund 141	331,800.00
General Fund 110	331,800.00
Employee Benefit Fund 230	5,000.00
General Fund 110	5,000.00

SECTION 5: In all other respects, Ordinance No. 3335 shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6: This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

MAYOR

ADOPTED:

ATTEST:

CLERK OF OXFORD CITY COUNCIL

INTRODUCED BY: KATE ROUSMANIERE

PREPARED BY: LAW (STAFF)