A regular meeting of the Oxford City Council was called to order by Vice Mayor, Mike Smith on Tuesday, August 16, 2016 at 7:30 p.m. Those members present were Bob Blackburn, Steve Dana, Glenn Ellerbe, Kevin McKeehan and Edna Southard. Mayor Rousmaniere was excused.

Staff members present: Mr. Doug Elliott, City Manager; Mr. John Jones, Police Chief; Mr. Mike Dreisbach, Service Director; 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

Vice Mayor Smith requested the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mr. Dana moved to approve the agenda. Mr. Blackburn seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

PROCLAMATION
'OHIO VOLUNTEER CHALLENGE:
FEED OHIO 2016'

Vice Mayor Smith read the Proclamation and presented it to Mr. Robert Wicks.

Mr. Robert Wicks, thanked Council for the Proclamation noting it was an honor. Mr. Wicks advised last year over 702,000 meals were provided through the Feed Ohio Campaign and the Community Choice Pantry benefitted as well. Mr. Wicks noted the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and Bethel AME Church would partner again this year in the effort.

PRESENTATION
SHAREFEST 2016
MS. CAROL MICHAEL

Ms. Michael noted it was her pleasure to let Council know it had been another good year for ShareFest. Ms. Michael provided a PowerPoint and noted ShareFest was a service and environmental nonprofit corporation dedicated to the collection and redistribution of items donated by Miami University students and the Oxford community at the end of the academic year. Ms. Michael advised collected items benefitted residents in need and social service agencies throughout the region. Ms. Michael stated ShareFest's Purpose as follows: 1. Help individuals in need by providing them with access to furniture, household goods, clothing and food that are donated by Miami University students or by other community members at the end of the academic year. 2. Teach sharing and environmental ethics and an awareness of diverse backgrounds to the young people who are students at Miami University. 3. Protect and preserve the environment by preventing usable items from going into the landfill. 4. Help the City of Oxford dispose of unwanted items and help clean the City quickly.

Ms. Michael listed each Board member, Planning Committee member and each Recipient Group which included Butler County Children Services, Butler County Success, Habitat for Humanity of Greater Cincinnati, Lighthouse Food Pantry, Ohio Goodwill Industries, Oxford Community Choice Pantry, Preble County Habitat for Humanity and the Student Veterans Association at Miami University.

Ms. Michael noted ShareFest was privileged to use Miami University's Chestnut Fields Parking lot for dispatch, donation collection, and swapping. Ms. Michael advised the site was perfect for access to on and off campus locations and it offered abundant parking for volunteers and the storage trailers provided by Ohio Valley Goodwill. Ms. Michael discussed the donation process for off campus locations and on campus locations noting 43 Miami University residence halls participated in ShareFest 2016. Ms. Michael advised at least 37 donors dropped off donations directly to the Chestnut Fields site. Ms. Michael reported on the number of donations and advised there were 269 off campus pickups. Ms. Michael advised dispatchers allocated pickups based on recipient group needs and the number of volunteers and trucks available at a given moment. Ms. Michael noted ShareFest 2016 collected 77 tons of merchandise which was up from 59 tons collected in 2015 or almost 31%.

Ms. Michael advised Butler County Children Services assisted two families almost immediately and assisted two emancipated youth from the foster care program set up their first apartment. Ms. Michael noted Butler County Children Services will help ten more families in the coming months. Ms. Michael advised Butler County Success provided 14 volunteers for a total of 126 hours and ShareFest 2016 benefitted at least 44 of their client families in need throughout Butler County. Ms. Michael noted the proceeds generated from the sale of ShareFest 2016 donations at Habitat for Humanity of Greater Cincinnati ReStores will help two low income families this year in Oxford as well as 25-28 families in the greater Cincinnati area. Ms. Michael advised ShareFest 2016 donations resulted in over $11,000 of revenue for Lighthouse Food Pantry in Hamilton. Ms. Michael noted Lighthouse currently served approximately 1,000 people monthly and the money collected from the sale of ShareFest donations would be used to buy food. Ms. Michael advised Lighthouse provided 25 volunteers collectively working 847 hours to pickup and transport ShareFest 2016 donations. Ms. Michael noted ShareFest 2016 donations resulted in $28,000 in revenue for Ohio Valley Goodwill Industries which will support its mission of putting people with disabilities and veterans to work in the greater Cincinnati community. Ms. Michael advised they provided four employees to staff the dispatch and swapping site throughout the event and three employees and a truck to pickup donations from off campus locations. Ms. Michael noted they also provided storage trailers for other recipient groups. Ms. Michael advised the Oxford Community Choice Pantry received 3,905 pounds of food which was a 50% increase from last year. Ms. Michael noted some items were set aside for Summer Harvest bags. Ms. Michael advised Preble County Habitat for Humanity participated for the first time and received donations resulting in $300.00 of revenue. Ms. Michael noted they provided four volunteers who worked 32 hours over two days and they would be invited back next year. Ms. Michael advised the Student Veterans Association at Miami University participated for the first time and will use ShareFest 2016 donations to furnish the new Veterans Center at the university.

Ms. Michael provided a detailed thank you to all of those who donated and volunteered to make ShareFest 2016 a success.

Ms. Southard thanked Ms. Michael for doing a tremendous job with ShareFest 2016 and noted the cooperation between the City and the university was amazing. Ms. Southard referred to the Proclamation this evening for the feed Ohio campaign and noted the food pantry was grateful for the awareness of the need in our community. Ms. Southard noted we lived in a caring community and it showed.

Mr. McKeehan inquired if Ms. Michael presented ShareFest to the University of Cincinnati. Ms. Michael noted UC contacted Andrew Wilson who provided them with information. Ms. Michael advised she and others presented ShareFest at the National Town Gown Conference in Washington D.C.

Vice Mayor Smith thanked Ms. Michael for making the presentation this evening.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

Minutes of the August 2, 2016 City Council Meeting. (Mary Ann Eaton, Clerk of Council)

REPORTS

Report regarding the August 3, 2016 Historic and Architectural Preservation Commission Meeting. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Report regarding the August 3, 2016 Environmental Commission Meeting. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Mr. Dana moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Mr. McKeehan seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

RESOLUTIONS

RESOLUTION
NOISE ABATEMENT

A Resolution No. 5002 authorizing a temporary abatement of the Noise Ordinance No. 2550, Section 509.09, on Saturday, October 1, 2016 from 11:00 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. in the Uptown Parks for the Miami Athletics Midnight Madness event. (Doug Elliott, City Manager)

Mr. Elliott advised this event would kick-off the Miami University basketball season and Council approved a noise abatement request last year. Mr. Elliott noted the Right-of-Way request was already approved by staff and the Noise Abatement request required Council's approval. Mr. Elliott advised Lindsay Sparks and Megan Henderson from Miami University were in attendance to answer any questions.

Mr. Dana inquired if there was any feedback last year from area residents. Mr. Elliott noted there was at least one complaint last year. Mr. Elliott advised last year the event was from 10:00 p.m. until midnight and this year the request was from 11:00 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. and it would be on a Saturday verses a Thursday night. Mr. Elliott noted he attended last year and it was a nice event. Mr. Elliott advised the temporary noise abatement would allow a DJ to play music and make announcements. Mr. McKeehan advised as Mayor, he received a complaint from a student living Uptown last year.

Ms. Southard inquired if the event would always take place on a Saturday in the future.

Ms. Lindsay Sparks , advised this was the second year for the event and the hope was to have it on Saturdays in the future knowing the concerns of residents in the area. Ms. Sparks noted the student athletes on the basketball teams loved the event. Ms. Sparks advised it was also Family Weekend and she hoped it would elevate the experience for families coming in to see what options students have to do on weekends.

Ms. Megan Henderson, advised Miami University had the opportunity on this weekend to highlight for students, families and the community, volleyball on Thursday and Friday nights, football on Saturday and hockey on Saturday and this gives Miami University the opportunity to highlight men's and women's basketball teams they otherwise would not see during a Family Weekend type of event.

Mr. Dana inquired if the event drew well. Ms. Sparks estimated at least 200 people attended last year.

Mr. McKeehan moved to adopt Resolution No. 5002. Ms. Southard seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

RESOLUTION
COST OFASSESSMENTS BY LOT

A Resolution No. 5003 determining the total cost of the assessment by lot, authorizing the list of assessments by lot to be filed with the Clerk of City Council and ordering the same be opened for public inspection and authorizing the Clerk of City Council to publish notice in a newspaper of general circulation that the list of assessments by lot is available for public inspection. (Mike Dreisbach, Service Director)

Mr. Dreisbach advised in advance of the annual summer street resurfacing program the City asks abutting property owners to get their curbs, gutters and sidewalks repaired if necessary. Mr. Dreisbach noted Council approved a Resolution of necessity in April for that to happen. Mr. Dreisbach advised in June Council approved a construction contract to have the repairs made if the property owners elected not to. Mr. Dreisbach noted all but 9 of the parcels were taken care of by the owners and 9 properties were listed on Exhibit "A" (page 39 of Council's packet) for potential cost to levy to those lots. Mr. Dreisbach advised the City would publish a notice for 3 consecutive weeks giving property owners a chance to object if they felt the cost was unwarranted or an error was made. Mr. Dreisbach noted the Clerk would report to Council any objections that might be received.

Mr. Dreisbach advised in the future an Ordinance would come before Council assigning the cost to the properties. Mr. Dreisbach noted at that time property owners could pay the total amount in cash within 30 days or they could choose to have the assessment on their taxes and pay over 5 years at 5% interest.

Mr. Dana referred to page 39 of Council's packet and inquired why all of the properties in question were on Brown Road. Mr. Dreisbach advised many of the other residents banded together and hired the same contractor and had the work done without involving the City.

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

Ms. Southard stated there had been a lot of conversation with the residents already. Mr. Dreisbach advised the residents received certified letters about the project and their responsibilities. Mr. Dreisbach reiterated the City would advertise the costs and if residents had objections they had a means to make that known through the Clerk.

Ms. Southard moved to adopt Resolution No. 5003. Mr. Dana seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

RESOLUTION
OXFORD RECREATIONAL
TRAIL

A Resolution No. 5004 accepting the proposal and authorizing the City Manager to enter into an agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" with Environmental Design Group for Preliminary Design Services for Oxford Recreational Trail Phase II at a cost not to exceed $27,000.00. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised the proposed Resolution was for professional design services for Phase II of the Oxford Recreational Trail. Mr. Chen noted Phase II started at Bonham Road and went counter-clockwise to the Oxford Community Park. Mr. Chen advised the intent was to update the 2007 cost estimate as the City didn't know how valid the 2007 estimates might be when it was time to seek funding for the construction of Phase II. Mr. Chen noted the City advertised for Requests for Qualifications with 8 firms responding and it was narrowed down to Environmental Design Group. Mr. Chen advised a price for the professional design services was negotiated for $27,000. Mr. Chen reminded Council this was not a construction estimate, just an estimate to decide what funding sources to pursue for the construction of Phase II. Mr. Chen noted one segment of Phase II construction has been submitted to OKI for funding and that will be determined in September.

Mr. Dana stated $27,000 would be paid for the firm to estimate the cost of construction. Mr. Chen advised yes and noted they would also look at preferred routes. Mr. Dana referred to page 45 of Council's packet item 9 which read 'Opinions of construction cost prepared by Environmental Design Group under this agreement are just that. Environmental Design Group does not warrant or guarantee that the project can be constructed for those amounts and the client agrees that Environmental Design Group cannot be held liable for any discrepancies between bid costs and our opinions or estimates.'

Mr. Dana inquired if the City had expectations for construction costs that were likely to fall within a certain percentage of the cost presented by Environmental Design Group. Mr. Chen advised the City was trying to get the closest number possible and until the entire project was bid out we would not have the actual costs. Mr. Blackburn noted the City already had a grant for Phase II and staff needed to make sure the cost was within the boundaries of the grant. Mr. McKeehan advised Environmental Design Group would look at a few different routes and what might be more affordable. Ms. Southard noted as we foresee an aquatic center at the Community Park this would be a wonderful addition to making it accessible.

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

Mr. Dana moved to adopt Resolution No. 5004. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

RESOLUTION
AMEND AGREEMENT

A Resolution No. 5005 authorizing the City Manager to amend the Development Agreement between the City of Oxford and Capstone Development Corporation to allow the two (2) unit apartment building designated exclusively to house on site management personnel to be used for rental purposes. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised in 1993 a development agreement was entered into between Capstone Development Corp. and the City of Oxford for the development of what is currently called Hawks Landing. Mr. Chen referred to page 57 of Council's packet and noted one of the conditions of the agreement was that one residential building containing 2 apartment units shall be used exclusively to house on site management personnel. Mr. Chen advised Capstone made a request to allow the 2 units to be used for rental purposes since the need for on site management was no longer necessary with today's technology. Mr. Chen asked Council to consider waiving the provision for housing on site management and allowing the units to be rented. Mr. Chen noted a representative from Capstone was in attendance.

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

Mr. McKeehan inquired how many people would reside in the 2 apartments.

Mr. Mike Bennet, representing Capstone, advised 4 people would reside in the 2 units. Mr. Blackburn inquired how much occupancy would be reduced with the redevelopment underway at Hawks Landing. Mr. Bennet advised 44.

Mr. Dana moved to adopt Resolution No. 5005. Mr. McKeehan seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.

RESOLUTION
TAX LEVIES

A Resolution No. 5006 accepting the amounts and rates as determined by the Budget Commission of Butler County, Ohio and authorizing the necessary tax levies and certifying them to the County Auditor. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Mr. Newlin advised this was an annual step in the budgeting process to certify the inside millage is 3.65% and the expected income would be just over one million dollars. Mr. Newlin noted in November another Resolution would come before Council for the City to receive advances on the income tax for better cash flow.

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

Mr. Dana oved to adopt Resolution No. 5006. Mr. McKeehan seconded. The Resolution was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Dana, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. McKeehan, Ms. Southard, Mr. Smith (6)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ORDINANCE
FIRST READING

ORDINANCE
SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

An Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 3335. Supplemental Budget Ordinance Number 7 To Make Supplemental Appropriations For Fiscal year 2016. (Joe Newlin, Finance Director)

Mr. Newlin addressed his staff report as reflected on page 69 of Council's packet with regard to the City's healthcare program and offered to answer any questions.

Mr. Dana noted healthcare costs had been rising over a period of time and inquired if Mr. Newlin could describe the percentage of increases over the years in rough terms.

Mr. Newlin advised he did not have that information with him this evening and noted he would provide it at the next meeting.

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

ORDINANCES
SECOND READING

ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 1143

An Ordinance No. 3362 Repealing Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1143.12 Entitled General Business District, And Adopting New Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1143.12 Entitled General Business District, And Adopting New Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1143.16 Entitled Neighborhood Business District. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised he explained the rationale for the changes at the last meeting and noted staff would like to make one amendment to the proposed Ordinance. Mr. Chen referred to page 76 of Council's packet Section (d) 1. and read 'A minimum of 1 tree for every 25 feet of linear feet of frontage, with the exception of the area used for vehicle access' and noted staff would like to insert *The tree spacing shall be consistent with the requirements outlined in Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 935.06* to further clarify the tree spacing issue.

<u>Mr. McKeehan moved to amend the proposed Ordinance on page 76 of Council's packet item (d) by inserting the words after access 'The tree spacing shall be consistent with the requirements outlined in Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 935.06'. Mr. Dana seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.</u>

Mr. Dana advised the proposed Ordinance was desirable because it respected and enhanced differing impacts on neighborhoods and building neighborhoods was the essence of good planning. Mr. Smith noted the proposed Ordinance would have an effect on neighborhoods that Council would like to see.

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

<u>Mr. Dana moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3362. Ms. Southard seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:</u>

AYE: Mr. Dana, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. McKeehan, Ms. Southard, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Smith (6)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

<u>ORDINANCE</u>
<u>CHAPTER 1133</u>

An Ordinance No. 3363 Repealing Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1133.01 Entitled Establishment Of Zoning Districts, And Adopting New Oxford Codified Ordinance Section 1133.01 Entitled Establishment Of Zoning Districts. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised he had noting new to add since the first reading and noted this was a housekeeping item related to the previous Ordinance.

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

Mr. Dana moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3363. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. McKeehan, Mr. Blackburn, Ms. Southard, Mr. Dana, Mr. Smith (6)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

**ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 1147**

An Ordinance No. 3364 Repealing Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 1147 Entitled Conditional Uses, And Adopting New Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 1147 Entitled Conditional Uses. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised he had nothing new since the first reading of the proposed Ordinance and noted the changes were on pages 106 and 107 of Council's packet.

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

Mr. Dana referred to page 102 of Council's packet item (20) B. 1. and inquired what the significance of 891 feet was. Mr. Dreisbach suggested it could be that a City clock was 440 feet.

Mr. Dana moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3364. Mr. Ellerbe seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Mr. McKeehan, Ms. Southard, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Dana, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. Smith (6)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

**ORDINANCE
CHAPTER 1151**

An Ordinance No. 3365 Repealing Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 1151 Entitled Signs, And Adopting New Oxford Codified Ordinance Chapter 1151 Entitled Signs. (Jung-Han Chen, Community Development Director)

Mr. Chen advised the proposed Ordinance would take care of site development regulations for the Neighborhood Business District.

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

Mr. Dana noted it was appropriate to have a detailed list with respect to signs in a new district.

Mr. Ellerbe inquired if a mural was considered a sign and inquired if someone wanted an exemption from the sign regulations could they come before Council. Mr. Chen advised he felt a mural was a sign and if someone wanted an exemption they could go before the Board of Zoning Appeals.

Mr. Dana moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3365. Ms. Southard seconded. The Ordinance was adopted by the following roll call:

AYE: Ms. Southard, Mr. Blackburn, Mr. Dana, Mr. Ellerbe, Mr. McKeehan, Mr. Smith (6)

NAY: None (0)

ABS: None (0)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Elliott updated Council and the public with regard to the Police Community Relations & Review Commission meeting which took place August 10, 2016. At Councilor Southard's request Mr. Elliott read a letter from the commission to Chief Jones and the Officers of the Oxford Police Department as follows:

'Nationally the summer of 2016 has been very challenging for police community relations. We were terribly aggrieved over the murders of several law enforcement officers killed in Dallas, Texas and Baton Rouge, Louisiana on July 7 and 17 respectively. The five officers killed in Dallas: Officers Brent Thompson, Patrick Zamarripa, Michael Krol, Sergeant Michael Smith and Sr. Cpl. Lorne Ahrens, were helping citizens exercise their constitutional right to peaceful protest when they were ambushed and murdered. Officers Montrell Jackson, Brad Garafola and Matthew Gerald, were protecting and serving the citizens of Baton Rouge when they too were ambushed and murdered. This type of violence must be condemned. Vigilante "justice" will do nothing to help restore trust between law enforcement and civilians from marginalized communities.

The police involved shootings of Alton Sterling, in Baton Rouge Louisiana, and Philando Castile, in St. Paul Minnesota, also resulted in greater erosion of trust between police departments and some of the communities that they police. The videos in these two incidents were troubling and highlighted the importance of establishing greater effectiveness, transparency, and accountability in community policing.

Our hope is that the Police Community Relations and Review Commission (PCRRC) will be helpful in building and strengthening good relationships between our police department and all of the citizens of Oxford. Citizens and sworn officers have a right to be treated with humanity and respect. Officers have chosen careers that can be dangerous and even deadly. At the end of the day, all individuals (citizens and officers alike), desire to return home safely to their loved ones. We believe that positive relationships between the police and the community is an important part of keeping both the community and our officers safe.

We are grateful for your willingness to protect and serve the citizens of Oxford. We will continue to work with the department in whatever way we can to help you fulfill this mission.

Respectfully,

The members of the PCRRC'

Mr. Elliott advised the police department was surprised and pleased to receive the letter. Mr. Elliott noted he felt the PCRRC was establishing what Council intended for them to do, build better relationships and improve relationships.

Mr. Elliott advised the annual Community Meeting to be held by the PCRRC was scheduled for October 11, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the Oxford Fire Station.

Mr. Elliott updated Council and the public with regard to the annexation of the Century 21 property on U.S. 27 South.

Mr. Elliott reminded Council of the Thursday, August 18th Work Session to discuss the five year Capital Improvement Program noting it would take place at 6:00 p.m. at the Courthouse.

Chief Jones reminded everyone that school starts tomorrow for the Talawanda School District and asked motorists to watch out for children and to pay attention to school buses.

Chief Jones reminded everyone of the Community Picnic on Thursday, September 1, 2016 from 6-8 p.m. noting staff looked forward to welcoming the students back to the community.

Mr. Ellerbe advised last Saturday the Red Brick Reunion took place in Uptown Oxford and noted it was a fantastic event. Mr. Ellerbe noted his hope the event would continue in Oxford for years to come.

Mr. Dana congratulated the Oxford Police Division for their intensive training programs with emphasis on community policing and for the cooperation efforts between the Oxford Police Division and the Miami University Police Department.

Ms. Southard noted she was pleased Mr. Elliott read the letter from the Police Community Relations and Review Commission and advised she felt it expressed what all citizens feel about the protection and sacrifices the police force makes.

Ms. Southard advised the railroad crossing on Chestnut Street was closed for 7 days for repairs and encouraged those who do not receive Nixle messages to sign up for the service at nixle.com to learn about important matters going on in the greater Oxford area. Mr. McKeehan noted the railroad crossing on Central Avenue was also closed for repairs.

Ms. Southard noted the Recreation Board was meeting on August 25th to visit a pool in the region to compare it with what Oxford might be thinking of in terms of a new aquatic center.

Ms. Southard welcomed Miami University and Talawanda School District students back to Oxford.

Mr. Blackburn referred to the Proclamation this evening regarding volunteerism and noted the Cajon Navy was out in full force in Baton Rouge. Mr. Blackburn advised citizens with a boat or a four wheeler were out there helping people. Mr. Blackburn asked that they be prayed for and thanked.

Vicc Mayor Smith noted the next Council meeting was September 6, 2016.

Vice Mayor Smith advised students were returning to Oxford and noted his hope everyone would make safe and responsible choices until school started on August 29th.

Vice Mayor Smith encouraged everyone to attend the Community Picnic on Thursday, September 1st and noted it was an awesome event.

ADJOURN

Mr. Dana moved to adjourn at 8:38 p.m. Mr. McKeehan seconded. The motion passed 6-0-0.