

April 15, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Oxford met in regular session on Monday, April 15, 2024. Rusty Hoaks, Jim Deckard, Tina Coffman, and Larry Barnard were present. Town employees and department heads present included Clerk-Treasurer, Deanna Sutherlin, Training Clerk Linda Ralston, Utility Clerk Hope Dunning, Kurt Lord from the Utility Department, and Marshal Aaron May. Guests included John Edgerly, William Porter, Tina Porter, Dale Muller, Brandi Muller, Karen Barnard, Chico Marin, Pamela Marin, Al Sutherlin, Matt Commons, Pam Ashcroft, Sharon Barnard, Diane Marion, Richard Burton, Squirrel Anderson, Sally Zink, Latisha Provo, Maureen Hayden. This meeting was recorded; a digital copy of which is available upon request.

Hoaks opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from the April 1, 2024, meeting was not ready, April 1, 2024, minutes will be presented at the next board meeting on May 6, 2024.

Commonwealth: Maureen Hayden reported that Commonwealth was offering a zero-cost contract amendment to offer two free reports to the Town of Oxford. Those reports include the Water Loss Audit and the Lead Service Line Inventory. Tina Coffman motioned to approve the amendment; Rusty Hoaks seconded. Maureen also reported that bids for the water project are scheduled to be completed by the middle of May and will be printed and published.

Clerk's Report: The salary ordinance was presented with an updated salary for the town Clerk-Treasurer. Rusty motioned to approve; Jim seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were four affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed. Claims were presented to the council for approval. Tina motioned to approve; Jim seconded. Quotes for printers were presented, the council felt it was best to lease instead of purchase a printer outright. A motion to lease from Cardinal Copier from Rusty was motioned, Tina seconded.

Utility Clerk's Report: Discussion regarding changing billing from cards to paper billing and include a monthly newsletter with town meeting minutes and updates in it.

Superintendent Report: Assistant Superintendent Kurt Lord reported that he has three interviews scheduled and is looking to hire two full time laborer positions. New hires will presumably begin employment on April 29, 2024.

Marshal Report: Marshal Aaron May reported for the marshal department. Mowing lists will begin in May. May is also requesting quotes on a new 02 sensors. May gave an update on the Pitbull issue, May stated that he has given the owners of pit bulls that he located 30 days to rehome the pit bulls.

Fire Dept. Report: N/A

New, Outside Business Guests, Oxford Citizens & Business Guests

Pam Ashcroft reported that the Sunflower is the official town flower.

Matt Commons introduced himself and stated that he is running for State Representative and asked for any concerns or issues that the public feels need addressed.

Old Business: Ana Horn presented her design for the Dan Patch mural. The board took it under advisement and tabled it for future discussion as Ana prepares an estimate for the cost of the mural.

Around the table concerns: N/A

Hoaks made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Barnard. Upon a roll call vote, there were four affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 PM.

The next regular Town Council meeting is Monday, May 6, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Oxford Town Hall. The public is welcome and invited to attend.

Submitted by Deanna Sutherlin
DEANNA SUTHERLIN, CLERK-TREASURER

Approved by Rd Jr
RUSSELL HOAKS, COUNCIL PRESIDENT/JIM DECKARD, VICE

Date Approved April 15, 2024