December 23, 2024

The Town Council of the Town of Oxford met for a special meeting on December 23, 2024. Rusty Hoaks, Tina Coffman, Terry Zink and Larry Barnard were present. Town employees and department heads present included Clerk-Treasurer Tina Porter.

Special session called to order at 7:01 pm

Public Hearing was opened.

Rate Ordinance 2024-1223A was read by Porter to the public in attendance. Public comments and questions about the new rates were heard and addressed.

Bond Ordinance 2024-1223B summary was read by Porter to the public in attendance. Public and board comments and questions about the bond ordinance were heard and addressed.

Coffman made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Zink seconded. None opposed. Public Hearing was closed at 7:11 p.m.

Final reading of Ordinances 2024-1223A were again read by Porter. Coffman made a motion to accept the Ordinance. Zink seconded. None opposed

Final reading of Ordinances 2024-1223B. Zink made a motion to accept the ordinance. Coffman seconded. None opposed.

<u>Business Guests:</u> Rob Bellucci from CommonWealth requested board approval for Hoaks to sign the construction contract with Rod Green Excavating for the Benton Street Construction Project with a cost of \$122,295.10. The effective date would be December 23, 2024. Coffman made a motion for Hoaks to sign the construction contract. Barnard seconded. None opposed.

Rob Bellucci presented a change order for the Benton Street Construction Project in the amount of 31,700.00 to cover possible expenditures outside of the original contract. Barnard made a motion to accept the change order. Coffman seconded. None opposed.

Old Business: Porter presented Salary Ordinance 2024-1223C for employees and elected official salaries for 2025. Coffman made a motion to approve the 2025 Salary Ordinance 2024-1223C. Zink seconded. None opposed. Porter presented a Health Insurance Stipend Conversion Policy that will curtail employees who had previously received stipends that are now rolled into their hourly pay and/or salary. Barnard made a motion to approve the policy. Coffman seconded. None opposed.

Porter presented options and quotes for utility trucks and plows, as well as equipment that could be purchased for the police department out of the ARPA funds that need to be obligated before the end of the 2024 calendar year. Barnard made a motion to approve the truck and plow to be purchased from Rod Baker Ford in Plainfield IL. Coffman made a motion to approve purchasing of the police department equipment. Zink seconded. None opposed

Coffman made a motion to adjourn. Zink seconded. None opposed. Board Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm

The next regular Town Council meeting is Monday January 6, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at the Oxford Town Hall. The public is welcome and invited to attend.

Submitted by_	Line Porter
	TINA PORTER, CLERK-TREASURER
Approved by	Lua Coffman
	TINA COFFMAN, COUNCIL PRESIDENT
_ Date Approved_	1-21-25