

**TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE OXFORD BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**OXFORD CITY HALL – COMMISSIONERS’ BOARD ROOM**

The Board of Commissioners for the City of Oxford met at the above-mentioned time and place. All members of the Board and local news media were notified of the same as well as the purpose of the meeting.

Present: Mayor Jackie Sergent, MPT Calvin (C.J.) Harris, Jr., Commissioners James (Danny) Currin, Frank Strickland, S Quon Bridges, Ron Bullock, Al Woodlief, and Patricia Fields. Also present were City Manager M. Alan Thornton, City Attorney J. Thomas Burnette, and City Clerk Cynthia Bowen.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Sergent called the meeting to order at approximately 7:00 PM.

Reverend Stan Jenkins of Tabbs Creek Baptist Church gave the prayer; the Pledge to the flag followed, led by Commissioner Bullock.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO AND APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

COMMISSIONER BULLOCK MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH AN ADDED CLOSED SESSION AS REQUIRED BY NC GS 143-318-11-6. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**OPENING REMARKS BY MAYOR SERGENT**

Mayor Sergent read the opening remarks statement as stated on the agenda with no conflicts of interest noted.

**DELEGATIONS**

July Yard of the Month winners were – Allen and Ruth Morgan of 104 Green Field Circle. Mr. & Mrs. Morgan were presented with a yard of the month certificate, the book “Looking Back” by Lewis Bowling, a City of Oxford “Green and Clean” license plate, and they are entered for the Grand Prize to be drawn in October.

The Oxford Women’s Club presented a check in the amount of \$1,150 to Mr. George Ritchie Jr. of the DOEDC to add a bench to the Downtown area.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**PUBLIC HEARING – For a Zoning Ordinance amendment to allow a craft distillery in the B-2 District.**

Mayor Sergent declared the public hearing open.  
No one wished to speak.  
Mayor Sergent declared the public hearing closed.

**ZONING ORDINANCE AMENDED TO ALLOW A CRAFT DISTILLERY IN THE B-2 ZONING DISTRICT.**

Commissioner Bridges inquired about the location for the distillery. The location for the distillery will be across from Revlon.

COMMISSIONER WOODLIEF MADE A MOTION TO AMEND THE ZONING ORDINANCE TO ALLOW A CRAFT DISTILLERY IN THE B-2 ZONING DISTRICT. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTION TO ALLOW THE CITY OF OXFORD TO BE CONSIDERED FOR THE COST-SHARING PROGRAM FOR AQUATIC WEED CONTROL THROUGH THE NC DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT & NATURAL RESOURCES ADOPTED.**

Commissioner Bridges asked about the safety of using these chemicals and the total price of this treatment. City Manager Thornton stated that there are no safety issues and he will get the price of the treatments and send to the Board.

COMMISSIONER STRICKLAND MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION FOR THE COST-SHARING PROGRAM WITH THE NCDENR. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**PUBLIC HEARING - To amend the Zoning Ordinance under Section 1405 (a) to allow density development for planned unit developments.**

Mayor Sergent declared the public hearing open.

Eddie McCoy – 408 Kingsbury Street – He inquired where the property for this development was located.

Chad Abbott representing C3 Design from Creedmoor NC was in the audience and he stated that the PUD would be located across from Wal-Mart. He gave an idea of what buildings and parking would look like.

George Foster – 315 Cherry Street – He asked about how many acres and how many houses can be placed on that acreage.

Mr. Abbott stated that there are 57 acres but there could not be anything built until he presents a building plan to the Board and the Board has to approve it.

John Tovey – 114 Saddletree Road – He stated that after listening to Mr. Abbott, he is much happier about this project.

Eddie McCoy – 408 Kingsbury Street – Wanted to know if the project would be acre by acre or a blanket of all the acres.

Mayor Sergent declared the public hearing closed.

**ZONING ORDINANCE UNDER SECTION 1405 (A) FOR DENSITY DEVELOPMENT FOR PLANNED UNIT DEVELOPMENTS APPROVED.**

Mayor Sergent brought parking for these units, Mayor Pro Tem stated that parking should be a part of the plan; Mr. Abbott stated that he would work with Ms. Hart, Planning Director and again, the Board has to approve the entire plan.

COMMISSIONER BULLOCK MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE DENSITY TO 15 UNITS PER ACRE WITH 7.5% OF OPEN SPACE (GREEN SPACE) AND 7.5% OF RECREATION SPACE. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED TO ACCEPT GRANTS AND LOANS AND CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCES FOR THE FOLLOWING: 2017 WATER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND THE 2018 SEWER LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT.**

No discussion.

COMMISSIONER BULLOCK MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT BOTH RESOLUTIONS AND BOTH CAPITAL PROJECT ORDINANCES. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED**

Approved the June 2019 Financial report.

Approved the following meeting minutes:

- \*June 3 - Agenda Session
- \*June 11 - Regular Session

The following people were reappointed to the Historic Preservation Committee;

- Tony Armento, 2nd Term ending 6/30/2022
- Lisa Shons, 1st Term ending 6/30/2022
- Jacalyn Thomas, 1st Term ending 6/30/2022

COMMISSIONER WOODLIEF MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**BOARD COMMENTS**

No Board Comments

City Manager Thornton – called the Boards attention to his managers’ report and explained to them the two financial reports were from 2018 and 2019 and explained that the City’s financial position has improved by \$2,379,802.00

**ADJOURNMENT INTO CLOSED SESSION**

WITH THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER WOODLIEF MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING AND ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION. ALL VOTES WERE IN THE AFFIRMATIVE. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

**ADJOURNMENT INTO OPEN SESSION**

WITH THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER FIELDS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN BACK TO OPEN SESSION.

COMMISSIONER HARRIS MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN.

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Cynthia Bowen, City Clerk

ATTEST:

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Jacqueline vdH Sergent, Mayor