



OWENS CROSS ROADS ALABAMA

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MINUTES FOR COUNCIL MEETING: JULY 27, 2021

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Tony Craig, Mayor
Terry Mann
Tim Wright
James Mann

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

Scott Baker
Larry Furlough

TOWN HALL STAFF PRESENT:

Christie Eason, Municipal Clerk
Jason Dobbins, Chief of Police
Scott Worsham, Lieutenant
Jeff Graves, Officer
Vemar Wilson, Officer
CT Locke, Maintenance
Shannon Drake, FD Administrator
Teresa Carpenter, Assistant Clerk
Lora Martin, Scanning Clerk

Call meeting to order @ 6:01 – Mayor Craig

Pledge of Allegiance – Tim Wright

Meeting Minutes June 22nd Council meeting, July 14 Work Session, and Bank Balances were presented by Christie Eason, Municipal Clerk.

Motion to Approve: Terry Mann; Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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Welcome all guests and open the floor to their concerns – Mayor Craig

Diane – neighbor Chris Murray has animals that are not typical at his home. Are they legal to be there? Is it a business he is running or what?

Mayor deferred to Tim Gaines: TG – he and Chief Dobbins visited Mr. Murray. All the animals he has on his property have proper cages/housing, and are legal for the state of Alabama. It is a hobby. He is not running a business.

Diane doesn't believe this to be accurate and complained about numerous deliveries from FedEx and UPS.

Chief Dobbins stated the deliveries are food...feeder animals, and other food substances. Mr. Murray is not breaking the law.

Diane will be checking into it further. She stated she will call the news stations if need be to rectify it to her standards.

Old Business:

- 1. LED Sign for Town Hall - Ordered; Expected October delivery and install
- 2. Recreation Center Modifications – status – CT Locke: once digital locks are installed this remodel is complete and ready to occupy. Total amount expensed \$11,521.24
- 3. Pole Barn Build – status – CT Locke: delay bc of inability to get construction materials needed (due to COVID delays). Total amount expensed as of 7/27/21: \$16,369.73

New Business:

- 1. Resolution No. 21-11 – Establishing new Fire Department:

City of Owens Cross Roads Fire and Rescue

Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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- 2. Mayor Craig – Oath of Office Ceremony: Shannon Drake appointed as Fire Department Administrator

- 3. Resolution No. 21-07 – Establishment of Executive Level Committee to include the three (3) department heads: Municipal Clerk, Chief of Police, Fire Department Administrator.

Motion to Approve: James Mann; Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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- 4. Resolution No. 21-08 – New bank account for Judicial Training Funds

Motion to Approve: Terry Mann; Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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- 5. Resolution No. 21-09 – New bank account for American Rescue Plan Funds (ARPA)

Motion to Approve: James Mann; Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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6. Resolution No. 21-10 – Purchase of Credit Card Readers for Customers to Utilize

Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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7. Resolution No. 21-13 – Pay Scale for K9 Officer(s)

Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; James Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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8. Ordinance No. 21-024 – Amending Ordinance 21-001 Sewer Delinquency

Motion to Consider: Terry Mann; James Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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Motion to Approve: Terry Mann; Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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9. Ordinance No. 21-025 – Sewer Late Fees

Motion to Consider: James Mann; Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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10. Ordinance No. 21-026 – Sewer Rate Adjustment

Motion to Consider: Tim Wright; Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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Motion to Approve: Terry Mann; Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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11. Ordinance No. 21-027 – Sewer Security Deposit Change

Motion to Consider: Tim Wright; James Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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Motion to Approve: Terry Mann; Tim Wright 2nd

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12. Motion by Mayor Craig to research the expense and process to being a Storm Water Project that would clear drainage up (ARPA)

Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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13. Motion by Mayor Craig to research the expense of installing an Additional Sewer Main (ARPA)

Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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14. Motion by Mayor Craig to research the expense of installing a Playground, Tennis Courts, and Pavilion at Ball Fields (ARPA)

Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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15. Motion by Mayor Craig to research the expense of installing a Pavilion and Swings at Woods Mill Park (ARPA)

James Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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16. Motion by James Mann to research the purchase of Emergency Response Vehicle (ARPA)

Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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17. Motion by James Mann to research the cost of building a Public Safety Building

Terry Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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18. Motion by James Mann to provide NO MORE THAN \$5K to outfit FD # 1

Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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19. Motion by Mayor Craig: Premium Pay for Essential Personnel (ARPA): Full-Time \$1000; Part-Time \$500

a. Resolution No. 21-12 – Premium Pay for Essential Personnel (ARPA)

Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; James Mann 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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20. Resolution No. 21-14 – Certifying and Adopting the New Town Maps

Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; James Mann 2nd

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Mayor Craig: Michael Wilson stepped down as Planning Commission Chairman on 7/27/21 due to personal circumstances. Jason Denenny, Vice Chairman has agreed to step into this position effective immediately.

Scott Worsham – Thank you for premium pay.

CT Locke – Thank you for premium pay.

Teresa Carpenter – thank you for premium pay; thank you for consideration of sewer ordinances; almost done with Magistrate training.

Police Chief Jason Dobbins –

- a) June was slow month for the Police Department:
28 Citations 5 Arrests 28 Warnings 192 calls for service 21 warnings
- b) Vemar Wilson was hired as a Police Officer and started on July 13th. Training is going well. He is leaving for Police Academy on August 30th – will be gone 13 to 14 weeks.
- c) New patrol car is being built August 23rd. Should be on the road by first part of October
- d) Raven is our new K-9 Police Officer – Belgium Malinois; certified as a team with Officer Jeff Graves and is already on patrol.

Christie Eason – nothing to add

Terry Mann – thanks to the ladies for keeping things running smoothly.

Motion to change speed limit in two areas: Wilson Mann @ Hwy 431 - east side to 35 mph; Cave Spring Road @ Hwy 431 – east side to 45 mph.

James Mann 2nd

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Tim Wright – nothing to add

James Mann – nothing to add

Motion to adjourn by Terry Mann @ 6:41 pm

Tim Wright 2nd

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| Terry Mann Aye | Tim Wright Aye | Scott Baker ABSENT | Mayor Craig Aye | Larry Furlough ABSENT | James Mann Aye |
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Next:

1. Planning Commission Meeting – August 9th at 6:30 p.m.
2. Council Meeting – August 24th at 6:00 p.m.