



# OWENS CROSS ROADS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

**Tuesday, September 13, 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Owens Cross Roads Court Room | 9032 Highway 431 S.**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS  
PRESENT:**

Tony Craig, Mayor  
Scott Baker  
James Mann  
Terry Mann  
Tim Wright

**COUNCIL MEMBERS  
ABSENT:**

Larry Furlough

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Andrew Craig

**CITY HALL STAFF PRESENT:**

Polly Blalock, Judge  
Teresa Carpenter, Assistant Clerk  
Tim Gaines, Inspector  
Tom Jarvinen, Attorney  
Lora Martin, Assistant Clerk  
Will Maynes, Maintenance  
Brandy Wilson, Court Clerk  
Scott Worsham, Police Lieutenant

**MAYOR CRAIG:** CALL TO ORDER @ 6:00 pm

**TIM WRIGHT:** Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Minutes August 23<sup>rd</sup> Regular Session and Bank Balances as of September 13<sup>th</sup> – Lora Martin  
Motion to Approve: Scott Baker; 2<sup>nd</sup> James Mann

Terry Mann Aye	Tim Wright Aye	Scott Baker Aye	Mayor Craig Aye	Larry Furlough Absent	James Mann Aye
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**Minutes & Bank Balances APPROVED – Unanimous**

**AGENDA ITEMS**

**Resolution No. 22-030 CDBG Bid Recommendation of Award for Contractor and Price Negotiations**

Motion to Approve: James Mann; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Baker & Terry Mann

Terry Mann Aye	Tim Wright Aye	Scott Baker Aye	Mayor Craig Aye	Larry Furlough Absent	James Mann Aye
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**Resolution 22-030 passed**

**Ordinance 22-026 Annexation of Furlough Property**

Motion to Consider: Scott Baker; 2<sup>nd</sup> Tim Wright

Terry Mann Aye	Tim Wright Aye	Scott Baker Aye	Mayor Craig Aye	Larry Furlough Absent	James Mann Aye
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Motion to Approve: Tim Wright; 2<sup>nd</sup> James Mann

Terry Mann Aye	Tim Wright Aye	Scott Baker Aye	Mayor Craig Aye	Larry Furlough Absent	James Mann Aye
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**Ordinance 22-026 passed**

***Department Comments***

1. LOCAL GOVERNMENT- Christie Eason, City Clerk (absent) Lora Martin, present in place

Verified appointees for the Board of Abatement by each council member:

Tim Wright: Andrew Craig

Tony Craig: Houston Johnson

Larry Furlough: Missy McGough

Scott Baker: Adrian Patton

Terry Mann: no one yet, has asked a couple of people, but needed to have some questions answered first. First question, "Should the City be sued, would representative be held liable or will City Attorney pick up?" Tom Jarvinen said that the City would be liable, not the representative. Second question, "Is there a time given for the owner to make repairs, etc. before abatement process begins? Yes, there will be ample time given.

James Mann: Peggy Harris

- a. Building Department – Lora Martin &/or Tim Gaines – nothing today
- b. Court – Brandy Wilson – nothing; Judge Polly Blalock gave an update on the first daytime docket on September 1. Used Zoom for an arraignment which kept the City from having to transport both a male and a female prisoner; both plead guilty. Would like for Will Maynes to be the Community Environmental Development Advisor which is the one who keeps an eye on the grass, weeds, etc. ordinance violations and takes pictures of such for evidence.
- c. Maintenance – C.T Locke (absent)
- d. Public Works – Will Maynes - nothing
- e. Sewer Department & Business Licenses – Teresa Carpenter, will have report at next meeting

2. POLICE DEPARTMENT – Jason Dobbins, Chief of Police (absent)

3. FIRE DEPARTMENT - Shannon Drake, Fire Administrator (absent)

***Scott Worsham, Lieutenant of Police*** – nothing

***Council Members Canvassed by Mayor Craig***

***Terry Mann*** – just questions about abatement board, as mentioned above

***Tim Wright*** – nothing

***Scott Baker*** – nothing

***James Mann*** - asked Judge Polly about AV use and future needs for court, will let him know if any arise

Tom Jarvinen asked permission to pick things up a bit with the issues with the Water Dept and the construction messes they are making and not cleaning up or following any City procedures in buying permits or getting inspections, etc. Can he seek resolution for these issues? Scott Baker mentioned that they might be covered under Governor Ivey’s Build Back Alabama program. Are we sure permits are required with ADEM approval?

The Water Dept has an ADEM sign on one of the fences where work is being done. All council members present agreed to pursue resolution, within reason, and to keep them abreast of the situation.

Motion to Adjourn Meeting by Tim Wright; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Scott Baker

Terry Mann Aye	Tim Wright Aye	Scott Baker Aye	Mayor Craig Aye	Larry Furlough Absent	James Mann Aye
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ADJOURNED MEETING AT 6:15 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:  
*Lora Martin, Assistant Clerk*  
*Teresa Carpenter, Assistant Clerk*

APPROVED