



# OWENS CROSS ROADS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION MINUTES

**Tuesday, August 22, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m.**  
**Owens Cross Roads Court Room | 9032 Highway 431 S.**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Tony Craig, Mayor  
Scott Baker  
Elizabeth Craig  
Larry Furlough  
James Mann  
Terry Mann

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Matt Balch, City Attorney  
Andrew Craig  
Hope Davis  
Mike Wilson

**CITY HALL STAFF PRESENT:**

Teresa Carpenter, Revenue Clerk  
Jason Dobbins, Police Chief  
Christie Eason, City Clerk  
C.T. Locke, Maintenance  
Lora Martin, Building Dept Clerk  
Bruce Swanson, Deputy Fire Chief  
Brandy Wilson, Court Clerk  
Scott Worsham, Lieutenant Police

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

**TERRY MANN:** Pledge of Allegiance

Meeting Minutes for August 8 Work Session and August 8 Regular Session and Bank Balances as of August 21

**Motion to Approve: Larry Furlough; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Baker**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

**Minutes & Bank Balances APPROVED**

**AGENDA ITEMS**

- Resolution No. 23-022: 1-year agreement with Hope Davis Media for Website Maintenance**  
**Motion to Approve: Larry Furlough; 2<sup>nd</sup> Terry Mann**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Abstained	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Abstained
-------------------	------------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------------

**Resolution No. 23-022: Approved and Adopted**

- Resolution No. 23-022a: Back pay for services provided by Hope Davis Media for Website Maintenance completed outside of contract**  
**Motion to Approve: Terry Mann; 2<sup>nd</sup> Scott Baker**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Abstained	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Abstained
-------------------	------------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------------

**Resolution No. 23-022a: Approved and Adopted**

**3. Resolution No. 23-023: Rebuild Alabama Transportation Plan FY 2023-2024  
Motion to Approve: James Mann; 2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Craig**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

**Resolution No. 23-023: Approved and Adopted - Unanimous**

**4. Ordinance No. 03-05: Rescinding - recently replaced by Ordinance No. 23-003  
Motion to Consider Rescinding: Larry Furlough; 2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Craig**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

**Ordinance No. 03-05: Consideration to Rescind Approved - Unanimous**

**Motion to Rescind: James Mann; 2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Craig**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

**Ordinance No. 03-05: Rescinding Approved - Unanimous**

**5. Ordinance No. 23-009: No Pets Allowed at Sneed Park (Replaces Ordinance No. 14-0022)  
Motion to Consider: Terry Mann; 2<sup>nd</sup> Elizabeth Craig**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

**Motion to Approve: Larry Furlough; 2<sup>nd</sup> Terry Mann**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

**Ordinance No. 23-009: Approved and Adopted – Unanimous**

**6. FY 2023-2024 City of Owens Cross Roads Budget – 1<sup>st</sup> Draft**

Council will review and contact Christie Eason, City Clerk with any questions or requested changes. Possible work session for budget to be scheduled.

**Department Comments**

- a. Building Department: Lora Martin/Tim Gaines – nothing to report
- b. Business License & Sewer Department: Teresa Carpenter – nothing to report
- c. Court: Brandy Wilson, Court Clerk – nothing to report
- d. Fire Department: Shannon Drake, Fire Chief (absent); Bruce Swanson, Deputy Chief – monthly training will be held this Thursday at 6:00 pm at the Fire Hall on Old Hwy
- e. Local Government: Christie Eason, City Clerk – received estimates from roofing companies, waiting on adjuster for insurance to review and approve our choice
- f. Maintenance: C.T Locke – everything going great
- g. Police Department: Jason Dobbins, Chief of Police – monthly report enclosed

**Guest Canvassed**

Mike Wilson – nothing  
 Matt Balch, City Attorney – nothing  
 Andrew Craig – nothing

**Council Members Canvassed by Mayor Craig**

**Terry Mann** – when did C.T. Locke change to full time? Should the council have not been made aware before this happened? **Mayor** stated that he became full time when he added trash duties to his responsibilities. Terry also stated that he is also working on sidewalks.

**Elizabeth Craig** – agrees that the council should be made aware when an employee status changes from part-time to full-time

**Scott Baker** – nothing

**Larry Furlough** – nothing

**James Mann** – requests proper description for each job/role/employee including budget for equipment required per employee by next council meeting; already asked Christie to work on cost per employee Also, big push for volunteers for FD on social media beginning this week.

**Go Backs?**

**Jason Dobbins, Police Chief:** could the City front \$90 every other weekend to the Reserve officers at APOST academy for housing and they will pay the city back after next fundraiser?

**James** thinks the City should just pay for it and not be reimbursed and pay mileage reimbursement. Mayor agreed. How long do we have them after APOST completed? State law requires 3 years at department that sent them or pay back cost to department.

**Motion to Adjourn: James Mann; 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elizabeth Craig**

Terry Mann Yea	Elizabeth Craig Yea	Scott Baker Yea	Mayor Craig Yea	Larry Furlough Yea	James Mann Yea
-------------------	------------------------	--------------------	--------------------	-----------------------	-------------------

ADJOURNED MEETING AT 6:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

*Christie D. Eason, City Clerk*  
*Teresa Carpenter, Revenue Clerk*