

**NORTH CAROLINA
GRANVILLE COUNTY
CITY OF OXFORD**

**OXFORD CITY HALL, BOARD MEETING ROOM,
MONDAY, JUNE 5, 2006 AT 5:45 PM**

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Oxford met for a Special Session in conjunction with the Agenda Session at City Hall, 300 Williamsboro Street at the above-mentioned time and place.

Present: Mayor Alvin Woodlief, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Howard G. Herring, Sr.
Commissioner S. Quon Bridges
Commissioner Paul Kiesow
Commissioner Stephen C. Powell
Commissioner Robert B. Williford, Sr.

Absent: Commissioner Chance Wilkinson
Commissioner Robert Shope

Present also were City Manager Thomas S. Marrow, City Clerk Tanya S. Weary and Deputy Clerk Donna Hosch.

All members of the board and local news media were notified of the time, place and purpose of the meeting.

Mayor Woodlief called the meeting to order.

ANNEXATION ORDINANCE ADOPTED – ROLLINGWOOD SUBDIVISION

Mayor Woodlief informed City Manager Marrow had contacted Granville County Schools Superintendent Tom Williams concerning the request for the school buses to enter into the subdivision. Mr. Williams noted the entrance is too small for the buses to come in and out safely. City Manager Marrow assured the City is still working on the request.

Commissioner Bridges asked if the City could expand the road? Mayor Woodlief noted curb and gutter, expensive landscaping, and flagpoles are at the entrance. Allen Johnson, 106 Spruce Drive noted moving vans and trash trucks enter the subdivision. Mayor Woodlief noted this is an issue with the school board. City Manager Marrow explained the moving vans and trash trucks could run over the curbing, unlike a school bus.

Commissioner Herring suggested pursuing a formal request to the school board? City Manager Marrow noted the City is still working on this.

Commissioner Herring motioned to adopt the annexation ordinance for Rollingwood Subdivision with an effective date of September 1, 2006. Commissioner Kiesow seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE: 06-06-01
ADOPTED: 06-05-06
EFFECTIVE: 09-01-06

AN ORDINANCE TO EXTEND THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF OXFORD, UNDER THE AUTHORITY GRANTED BY PART 3, ARTICLE 4A, CHAPTER 160A OF THE GENERAL STATUTES OF NORTH CAROLINA

ROLLINGWOOD SUBDIVISION

WHEREAS, all of the prerequisites to adoption of this ordinance prescribed in Part 3, Article 4A, Chapter 160A of the General Statutes of North Carolina, have been met, and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has taken into full consideration the statements presented at the public hearing held on the 9th day of May, 2006 on the question of this annexation; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners has concluded and hereby declares that annexation of the area described herein is necessary to the orderly growth and development of the City of Oxford,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Board of Commissioners of the City of Oxford that:

Section 1. From and after the 1st day of September, 2006 the effective date of this annexation, the following territory shall be annexed to and become a part of the City of Oxford, and the corporate limits of the City of Oxford shall be extended to include said territory more particularly described by metes and bounds as follows:

Beginning at a concrete monument, said monument being the southeast corner of property belonging to the City of Oxford and the southwest corner of Rollingwood Subdivision, Phase 3, with said monument being set on the Oxford City Limit Line, thence along the Oxford City Limit Line North 00°-15'-47" East 838.61 feet to a monument. Thence along the Oxford City Limit Line North 00°-16'-25" East 535.29 feet to a concrete monument, said monument being on the northeast corner of Rollingwood Subdivision, Phase 3. Thence South 89°-44'-46" East 201.90 feet to a monument. Thence, South 01°-45'-33" East 531.47 feet to a monument. Thence, North 89°-18'-03" East 1,363.73 feet to a monument, said monument set on the western right-of-way of Highway 96 South. Then along the right-of-way South 33°-41'-04" East 77.41 feet to a monument. Then along the right-of-way with a radius of 1,839.86 feet and with the following lengths of 100.00 feet, 100.00 feet, 82.50 feet, and 215.99 feet to an iron pin set in the western right-of-way of Highway NC96 South. Thence, South 80°-15'-02" West 1,792.97 feet to point and place of beginning.

Section 2. The Board of Commissioners hereby finds and declares that the above described territory meets the requirements of G. S. 160A-48, in that:

- 1) Rollingwood Subdivision is adjacent to the existing City of Oxford boundary.
- 2) The external boundary for the proposed Rollingwood Subdivision annexation area is 5,851.72 feet of this, 1,373.90 feet is 0.2348 percent contiguous with the present City limit.
- 3) No part of the Rollingwood Subdivision is within the boundary of another municipality.
- 4) Rollingwood Subdivision is developed as residential property. Rollingwood Subdivision is so developed that the area has a total resident population equal to at least 2.3 persons for each acre of land included within its boundaries, demonstrated as follows using the guidelines found in the Annexation Regulations: the number of dwelling units (48), multiplied by the average family size in the area according to the

latest federal decennial census (3.0) gives the estimated total resident population (144), which, divided by the total number of acres (30.00), yields 4.8 persons per acre.

Section 3. It is the purpose and intent of the City of Oxford to provide services to the area being annexed under this ordinance, as set forth in the report of plans for services approved by the Board of Commissioners on the 27th day of February 2006 and filed in the office of the Clerk for public inspection on February 27, 2006. See Annexation Report.

Section 4. The Board of Commissioners hereby finds and declares that, on the effective date of annexation prescribed in Section 9 hereof, the City of Oxford will have sufficient funds appropriated, in the amount of \$10,000.00, to finance the estimated cost of construction of water and sewer facilities found necessary in the report of plans for services pertaining to the basic sewer and water system of the City of Oxford. The \$10,000.00 is appropriated to service and replace critical parts, including an autodialer and alarm system.

Section 5. From and after the effective date of this annexation, the territory annexed and its citizens and property shall be subject to all debts, laws, ordinances and regulations in force in the City of Oxford, and shall be entitled to the same privileges and benefits as other parts of the City.

Section 6. That the newly annexed territory described above shall be subject to city taxes according to G. S. 160A-58.10.

Section 7. The Mayor of the City of Oxford shall cause an accurate map of the annexed territory described in Section 1 hereof, together with a duly certified copy of this ordinance, to be recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Granville County, and in the office of the Secretary of State in Raleigh. Such map shall also be delivered to the County Board of Elections, as required by G.S. 163-288.1.

Section 8. This ordinance shall become effective on September 1, 2006. As to qualified tracts of agricultural land, horticultural land and forestland, the annexation will become effective

on the last day of the month in which the tract or part thereof becomes ineligible for present-use classification under G.S. 015-227.4 or no longer meets the requirements of G.S. 160A-49(f1)(2).

Section 9. Notice of adoption of this ordinance shall be published once in a newspaper having general circulation in the City of Oxford.

Adopted this 5th day of June, 2006.

BUDGET PUBLIC HEARING – FY 2006-2007 BUDGET

The purpose of the public hearing was to highlight the proposed FY 2006-07 City of Oxford budget and receive public input. Hearing notification was given pursuant to G.S. 159-12. All comments will be considered with proposed adoption scheduled for June 13, 2006 beginning at 7:00 PM.

Mayor Woodlief opened the public hearing and invited public comment.

City Manager Marrow explained the tax rate remains at \$0.55 and the appropriated fund balance from the general fund is \$151,930. He noted cost of living is 3% plus 1% longevity for the employees who have been with the City three years or longer. He recognized the garbage rate would increase by 3.5% (increase based on CPI via Waste Industries). He added water and sewer rates have not been increased, but a meeting is scheduled tomorrow with Raftelis, water and sewer rate consultant. He commented an increase is probable and noted it would probably take place in January. Debt payments are set up for the Water and General Funds. He recognized not much activity under Stormwater, but new developments will need to be enforced under Stormwater. He explained the Powell Bill has an appropriated fund balance for street paving: New College to Forest, West College to Crescent to College, West Front from Linden to Elm, Hillcrest and Williamsboro to Tranquil and Cherry Street to Country Club Drive to where it widens back towards Goshen.

No one from the public wished to speak.

Mayor Woodlief recognized Jimmy Brummitt, representative of the Airport Authority. Mr. Brummitt noted the airport has 42 permanent airplanes and 44 hangars. He recognized the authority received \$270,000 in State grants, with matching funds of 10%. He added a new beacon has been put up and a safety overrun has been completed with the use of these funds. He reported the authority would receive a \$150,000 grant for 2006-2007 with matching funds. Mr. Brummitt noted the airport layout plan has been completed, which cost \$60,000 and will be in place for the next 15 years. He reported more corporate jets are landing and fuel sales occur. He indicated the insurance company requires a 5,500 ft. runway and at present the airport has a 5,000 ft runway. He reported the authority has applied for a \$5.5 million grant for runway extension. He recognized the Hub would be an asset and noted Granville County has approved \$24,000 for the authority. Mr. Brummitt noted \$125 per month is charged per plane, with nearby airports charging \$150-\$200. He noted there are 2 vacant places.

Mayor Woodlief asked if the funds received from the City and County would be enough for the matching funds? Mr. Brummitt replied the authority seems to be fine with its current funds.

No one had any questions of Finance Director Steve McNally.

Commissioner Bridges asked who decides the rent? Mr. Brummitt explained the four members of the authority decide on the rent and added twin-engine planes are charged \$185.00 and an old hanger is charged \$400.00.

Commissioner Powell recognized he had received information from Recreation Director Mary Caudle concerning his request on what the department does for the City. He added in a meeting it was in his opinion an additional salary for another position within the department should be looked at. He commented a large proportion of Oxford is underserved in terms of

recreational needs, especially young African American men who have idle time and services are not being provided to them. He recognized it could require a readjustment of the staff, but he felt it would probably require another position. Commissioner Powell noted if finances and constructive services are not invested into the young people there are going to be problems. He suggested making this investment to our young people and particularly to the populations that are underserved.

Commissioner Williford informed the population of Granville County in 1980 was 30,043 and in 2004 it was 52,878. He added the City's population in 1980 was 7,709 and in 2004, 8506. He suggested working with the County on the recreational issue because the growth is in the County. Mayor Woodlief proposed meeting with the County in the near future. He stated the immediate concerns could be met with revamping how people are currently spending their time. He recognized the City received a \$500,000 grant and it will probably be next year before someone is needed.

Commissioner Bridges, Chairman of the Recreation Committee, supported Commissioner Powell's comments and understood Commissioner Williford's point. He recognized the Recreation Committee has done a lot this year, such as a basketball court, work on tennis courts, continuing effort through the grant for improving recreation. He noted more staff would be needed to adequately run the Recreation Department; however he supported reshifting the current staff and eventually more staff to work with the young people would be needed.

Commissioner Herring agreed with Commissioner Powell's comments and reminded the Board that a 5-year master recreational plan was approved. He suggested if there are items and activities that are different from the approved plan the Recreation Advisory Committee and

Recreation Committee of the Board of Commissioners should reconvene to make any adjustments. Commissioner Herring noted the Public Safety area is also growing.

Commissioner Kiesow noted he did not disagree with any of the comments and recognized Stormwater had been added and Stormwater staff is needed too. He commented all City departments should be looked at.

Mayor Woodlief closed the public hearing.

AGENDA SET – JUNE 13, 2006

The Board of Commissioners set the agenda for the June 13, 2006 meeting.

CLOSED SESSION – LEGAL MATTER

On a motion by Commissioner Herring, seconded by Commissioner Williford, the Board voted to go into Closed Session according to G.S. 143-318.11 to discuss a legal matter. The motion passed unanimously.

At the end of the closed session and on motion by Commissioner Bridges, seconded by Commissioner Herring, the Board voted unanimously to return to the Special Session.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mayor Woodlief adjourned the meeting.