

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
SPECIAL CALLED COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 14, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a special called council meeting on November 14, 2012 at 6:00 PM at the Leeds Civic Center with Mayor David Miller presiding. Councilmembers present were Kenneth Washington, Eric Turner, Johnny Dutton, Craig Wadsworth and Devoris Roscha Ragland.

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Invocation was given by Councilmember Kenneth Washington.

3. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) **Resolution 2012-11-12 City Hall Construction Contract.** This Resolution will seek to modify the City Hall construction contract and authorize Mayor Miller to negotiate costs of a location change with the contractor, the City Engineer, the City Attorney and the Architect. Mayor Miller gave a brief background about this matter. The Mayor turned the matter over to the City Engineer who informed the council regarding the current status of work done at the present location; Engineer Spencer stated it would be possible to modify the contract within a ten percent range. Discussion from Councilmembers Washington, Turner, and Dutton followed. City Attorney Brunson read the proposed resolution to the Council as follows: the resolution would allow the Council to consider modification of the current contract to explore relocation of the City Hall to the downtown area of the city. Motion to accept Resolution 2012-11-12 by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Ragland. Discussion by Doris Jarvis expressed that she is excited about building a library and that the library board has spent funds for a building plan; it is her hope that the City would use this plan and erect a City Hall building that would accommodate that plan. Ms. Jarvis indicated that the building is a LEED-designed building. There were no other comments from public. Motion passed by a roll call vote with all present voting yes.

b) **Resolution 2012-11-11 To Rescind Resolution 2012-10-23 "A Resolution Authorizing Library Funding and Construction Agreement and Conveyances Thereunder"**. The Mayor asked City Attorney to address the council regarding this matter. Attorney Brunson presented Resolution 2012-11-11 and explained what it contains. Discussion from Councilmember Washington questioning whether additional board members could be added to the Board. Attorney Brunson is seeking further information from the Secretary of State on how the incorporation was structured when being registered with the State. Motion to approve Resolution 2012-11-11 by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth. Doris Jarvis, a member of the Public Library Authority, stated the board membership is for only one year. Motion passed by a roll call vote with all present voting yes. Library Director Williams stated that grant applications have been submitted indicating that there were assets and questioned whether she should she rescind the grant applications. Mayor Miller indicated that she should not do that at this time. The Mayor stated that once the council gets a handle on the finances, they will adjust and move forward.

4. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

Mayor Miller recognized Department Heads present at the meeting as follows: Fire Department Chief Allen Pierce, Inspector Brad Watson, Library Director, Mondretta Williams, Supervisor of Park and Recreation George Keating and Police Chief Byron Jackson. No reports were required.

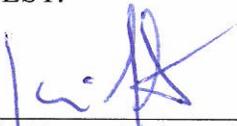
5: PUBLIC COMMENTS: There were no comments from the audience.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Turner. The meeting was adjourned at 6:34 pm.



David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kevin Fouts, Acting City Clerk