

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 17, 2012**

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a regular scheduled council meeting on December 17, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. at the Leeds Civic Center Meeting Room, 1000 Park Drive, Leeds, Alabama 35094.

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Councilmembers Kenneth Washington, Eric Turner, Johnny Dutton, Craig Wadsworth and Devoris Roscha Ragland were present.

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

3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES:** a) December 3, 2012: Correction was requested to change Exit 150 to Exit 140. Motion to accept the corrected minutes by Councilmember Turner, with a second by Councilmember Dutton. Motion passed with all present voting yes.

4. **OLD BUSINESS:** There was no old business to come before the Council.

5. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

a) **Administration, Mayor Miller:** Mayor updated the council about the Geotech report on the First Avenue site for City Hall, indicating that City Hall and the Library can be built on the property site. The Mayor also informed council of his conversations with Lehigh, Inc. seeking a sale or lease of the other half of the block to use for parking and city events. The possibility is being considered at the Lehigh corporate level.

b) **Fire Department, Chief Pierce:** Absent.

c) **Police Department, Chief Jackson:** No Report.

d) **Library, Director Williams:** Williams reported 5,123 registered patrons of the library. Membership by age category is as follows: 632 - Under 5 years of age; 621 - Ages 6-12; 560 Ages - 13-18; and 3,010 – Age 19 and older. The membership represents more than half of the population of the City of Leeds. Total number of library visits is 40,500 to date in 2012; total number 20,095 reference questions; and the annual number of internet login users to date is 19,142.

e) **Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson:** No Report

f) **Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating:** No Report.

g) **Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating:** No Report.

h) **Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts:** Report supplied with the warrant numbers. The numbers reflect a downturn in the number of people coming to court, possibly because they are afraid they will be arrested if they do not have the funds to pay. The Magistrate informed council that the courts are looking into having an amnesty court in March or April. Councilmember Washington commented that he feels amnesty court is a good idea to help assist folks with difficult financial times.

6. **COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

a) **Finance Chairperson, Eric Turner:** No Report

b) **Public Safety Committee, Devoris Roscha Ragland:** No Report. Councilmember Washington thanked the Police Department for placing a car at the 140 exit during the past two weeks and commented that it was good and purposeful.

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) **Resolution 2012-12-06 Regarding Severe Weather Preparedness Tax Holiday.** Motion to approve the Resolution by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth. There was no discussion from council, but there was a

question from the audience about the date, which will be from February 22, 2013 at 12:01 am until February 24, 2013 at 12 midnight. The motion passed with roll call vote and all present voting yes.

b) Ballfield Parking Lot Discussion. Mayor Miller updated the council regarding the two additional handicap spaces that will be required. The City Engineer is coordinating the effort to resolve the matter with direction from the Mayor.

c) Resolution 2012-12-09 regarding the Planned Community Development District: The Mayor advised council of this matter. A motion to prepare and refer Resolution 2012-12-09 for review by the P & Z Board (Planning & Zoning Board) and bring before council after 30 days for consideration at the January 22, 2013 meeting. There was no second.

P & Z Chairman Brett Isom commented that he felt the process would take longer than 30 days. Mayor Miller indicated that the P&Z Board could call a special meeting. Mr. Isom indicated he would look into what he could do for the time frame requested. Chris Schmidt addressed the council about the draft PCD Overlay presented and indicated there are no changes. Motion to accept and prepare Resolution 2012-12-09 to send the Planned Community Development Overlay document to the P&Z Board for review and return to council by January 22, 2013 by Councilmember Washington with second by Councilmember Ragland. Motion passed with all present voting yes.

Motion to suspend the rules by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Washington; motion passed with all present voting yes.

Motion to add meeting date change to the agenda by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Turner; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

Motion to return to regular meeting session by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Ragland. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

d) Resolution 2012-12-07 Regarding Assessing Demolition Costs of Structure Against Underlying Property Value: Motion to approve by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

e) Resolution 2012-12-08 Regarding Employee Travel Request: Motion to approve by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

f) Change Meeting Date: Motion to change the regularly scheduled council meeting dates in January to Tuesday, January 8, 2013 and Tuesday, January 22, 2013 by Councilmember Dutton, with a second by Councilmember Ragland. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Tim Jennings, 1086 Crest Road. Mr. Jennings thanked the city government and Supervisor Keating for the prompt cleanup after the Christmas parade.

Dean Williams, 7213 President Street. addressed the council regarding amending the ordinance for the City Soccer Fields use because the High School does not have a place to practice. Mr Williams requested use of the field (practice only) for the High School January 10 through second week of April, every day 3:15 PM to sunset M-F.

Motion to allow the Mayor to resolve the matter to provide field time for practice through his own discretion by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Ragland. The motion passed with all present voting yes. Mayor Miller indicated to Mr. Williams that the City's football field is available. Mr. Williams indicated that they would need goals and asked if the City could supply the goals. Mayor indicated the City could supply the goals if the city has the size of goals available.

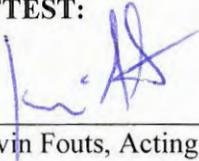
Councilmember Washington commented that an attorney has not been present at the last few P&Z meetings and he would like to have an attorney present. Attorney Brunson addressed this matter and said that this was appropriate and that the firm could accommodate this request. Motion to have the city attorney present at P&Z Board meetings by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn at approximately 6:42 PM by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Dutton.



David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kevin Fouts, Acting City Clerk



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LEEDS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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DAVID MILLER
MAYOR

December 17, 2012

Mayor and Council:

The following is a summary of the Police Department activities for the month of November 2012 and the 2012-year to date totals.

Police Department Activity Summary

Category	*Calls Answered	Accidents Investigated	All Reports	Traffic Stops	Traffic Citations	Warning Citations	Non-Traffic Citations	Misd. Arrests	Felony Arrests	Warrants Served
Nov. 2012	857	39	172	383	155	158	0	23	11	42
2012 YTD	12113	408	2167	4439	2087	1725	27	244	104	788
Nov. 2011	1219	38	203	356	114	137	6	30	6	81
2011YTD	12682	414	2039	N/A	1297	N/A	N/A	183	93	757
Category	*Officer Assists	*Public Assists	Court Hours	Training Hours	Shifts Worked	Miles Driven				
Nov. 2012	359	207	42	136	260	19814				
2012 YTD	3826	2450	493.5	853	2656	208222				
Nov. 2011	312	207	40.5	22	265	20835				
2011 YTD	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2184	174594				

*Calls answered, Officer Assists and Public Assists equal all calls.

Jail Expenses

Prisoner Transportation

No. of Inmate Days	122	Nov. 2012	Miles -1565.0	Nov. 2012	Hours - 47
Nov. Expenses	\$3,80850	2012 YTD	Miles - 19,428.5	2012 YTD	Hours - 541
2012 Total YTD	\$60,771.00				
2011 Total	\$60,570.00	2011 Total	Miles - 16,249	2011 Total	Hours - N/A

False Alarms

False Alarms	Burglary Business	Burglary Residence	Robbery Business	Robbery Residence	Totals	Chargeable
Nov. 2012	10	6	0	0	16	16
2012 YTD Total	227	166	22	0	415	406
2011 YTD Total	165	68	9	1	243	237

Assigned Cases

Statistics for Leeds, Alabama	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Assault	Burglary	Felony Theft	MVT
Nov. 2012	0	1	2	2	4	8	1
2012 YTD	1	7	19	13	67	160	3
Cases Cleared YTD	0	7	10	14	28	104	4
Nov. 2011	0	0	2	1	16	11	0
2011 YTD	2	5	16	10	92	189	8

Respectfully Submitted,

Byron Jackson, Chief of Police

**LEEDS MUNICIPAL COURT
MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT -November 2012**

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<p>CASE ENTRIES FOR October:</p> <p>TRAFFIC: 123</p> <p>MISDEMEANORS: 50</p>	<p>WARRANT DATA:</p> <p>WARRANTS ISSUED: 72</p> <p>WARRANTS RECALLED: 6</p> <p>WARRANTS SERVED: 26</p>																				
<p>APPEALED CASES: 0</p>	<p>JAIL CASES: 7</p>																				
<p>CASES PLACED ON PROBATION: 56</p>	<p>CASES PLACED ON DEFERRED TRACK: 13</p>																				
<p>DEFENSIVE DRIVING CASES: 1</p>	<p>BONDS FOREFEITED: 0</p>																				

LEEDS MUNICIPAL COURT
ACCOUNT SUMMARY REPORT
POSTED November 1, 2012 to November 30, 2012

TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$52,597.93
TOTAL TO STATE and COUNTY FUNDS	\$15,748.90
TOTAL TO CITY FUNDS	\$17,345.33
TOTAL COURT FUNDS	\$7,083.01
TOTAL INDIGENT DEFENSE FUND	\$1,200.00
CASH BONDS COLLECTED	\$10,700.00
RESTITUTION COLLECTED	\$520.69

**LEEDS MUNICIPAL COURT
MISDEMEANOR WARRANTS OUTSTANDING REPORT
November 2012**

Outstanding Warrants remaining for year 2008	38
Outstanding Warrants remaining for year 2009	147
Outstanding Warrants remaining for year 2010	180
Outstanding Warrants remaining for year 2011	200
Outstanding Warrants for 2012 (Jan. 1 to Oct. 31)	277
Total Warrants for 01/01/2008 until 11/30/2012	842