

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA  
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING  
APRIL 15, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a regular scheduled council meeting on Monday, April 15, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the Leeds Civic Center Meeting Room, 1000 Park Drive, Leeds, Alabama 35094.

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Mayor called the meeting to order at 6:07PM with Councilmembers Kenneth Washington, Eric Turner, Johnny Dutton, Craig Wadsworth and Devoris Roscha Ragland present.
2. **INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The invocation was given by Councilmember Kenneth Washington.
3. **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** a) April 01, 2013 Public Hearing and Council Meeting. Motion to approve by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; motion passed with all present voting yes. b) April 12, 2013 Work Session. Motion to approve by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with Councilmember Washington abstaining
4. **OLD BUSINESS:**
  - a) **Resolution 2013-03-09 Contracting of Municipal Court Probation Services.** Motion to reject Resolution by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; motion passed to reject the resolution with all present voting yes.
5. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**
  - a) **Administration, Mayor Miller:** Mayor spoke about the work session held at the Springville Splash Park and commented that the park was favorably reviewed by all who attended..
  - b) **Police Department, Chief Jackson:** No Report.
  - c) **Library, Director Williams:** Williams spoke announced upcoming programs being conducted at the Library: 1) Tot Time will be April 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:00AM; 2) this week is National Library Week and fines up to \$5.00 maximum could be removed from a patron's account while updating any contact information on file at the library; 3) Thursday, April 25<sup>th</sup> there will be a quilting class; 4) Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup> is the speakeasy art class at the Civic Center at 6:30PM. During the month of May, a scholastic book fair is scheduled and more information will be given at the May Council meeting. The Library Book Club meets the last Wednesday of each month. The Mayor reminded those present about the used book store located next to his office in the Welcome Center, commenting that he is their best customer.
  - d) **Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson:** The Planning & Zoning Commission meeting scheduled for April 11<sup>th</sup> was canceled due to the threat of severe weather and will be rescheduled for May 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM.
  - e) **Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating:** Mr. Keating reminded the Council that the Creekbank Festival will be held at the end of April and the contact person is Sandra McGuire at the Chamber of Commerce office if further information is needed regarding the event.
  - f) **Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating:** No Report.

**g) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts:** The Court's report was included in the Council's packet, and Ms. Roberts informed the Council of the upcoming Amnesty Court scheduled for the first week in May.

## 6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS;

**a) Finance Committee, Eric Turner:** No Report.

**b) Public Safety Committee, Devoris Roscha Ragland:** No Report.

**c) Parks & Recreation Committee, Craig Wadsworth:** No Report.

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

**a) Resolution 2013-04-08 Regarding A Settlement Agreement.** Motion to approve by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

**b) Resolution 2013-04-09 Regarding An ALDOT Signage Application.** Motion to approve Resolution by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

**c) Resolution 2013-04-10 Regarding A Circuit Court Settlement Agreement.** Motion to approve Resolution by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

**d) Discussion of Splash Park.** The Mayor spoke about conversations he had with a vendor who is on the State of Alabama Bid List and was the vendor for the City of Springville's Splash Park. Mayor Miller described how the City's current pool can be converted to a splash park with minimal effort and engineering. Motion to authorize the Mayor to solicit a cost proposal to locate a Splash Park at the current City Pool location by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Washington; the Motion passed with all present voting yes.

**City Attorney, Scott J. Barnett,** addressed the Council regarding the Grand River Mayfest. The promoter (Happy Dayz) and host (Shops at Grand River) are seeking to reduce the application fee cost per day based on substantial non-profit contributions.

Motion to waive the rules of council in order to address the request by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

**Resolution 2013-04-11 Regarding Amending Resolution 2013-04-07 and the License Fee Reduction Request.** Attorney Barnett distributed Resolution 2013-04-07 and spoke to this matter and other matters associated with the event. Motion to assess a \$100 daily fee due May 2<sup>nd</sup> with a \$5,000 donation due to Leeds Outreach due on May the 5<sup>th</sup> by Councilmember Ragland, with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed with all present voting yes. Ms. Scales, promoter from Happy Dayz, addressed the Council regarding this matter.

## 8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

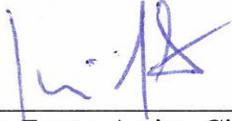
**Roland Isbell, 77 Pine Avenue, Leeds,** addressed the Council regarding a Resolution which should be created about the Leeds Basketball winning the state championship. Coach Ethridge spoke about the winning game.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion to adjourn at 6:41PM by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Dutton .



David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kevin Fouts, Acting City Clerk