

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 9, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, September 9, 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 6:00 PM with Councilmembers Kenneth Washington, Johnny Dutton, Craig Wadsworth and Devoris Roscha Ragland and Eric Turner present.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:**The Invocation was led by Talmadge Poole.
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Minutes for the following meetings were reviewed by the Council- August 19, 2013 Council Public Hearing, August 19, 2013 Council Work Session, August 19, 2013 Council Meeting, August 21, 2013 Council Work Session and Meeting, and August 26, 2013 Council Work Session and Meeting. A motion to approve each set of minutes was offered by Councilmember Johnny Dutton, with a second by Councilmember Eric Turner. The motion passed by a 5 to 1 vote, with Devoris Roscha Ragland abstaining from the vote for minutes on the meeting of August 26, 2013 as she was absent.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

There was no old business to come before the Council.

5. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

a) Administration, Mayor Miller: Mayor David Miller read a thank you letter from Dennis Limbaugh, Bag Supply Company, received on August 30, 2013, regarding the Tax Abatement approved by the Council for the company

b) Fire Department, Chief Pierce: No Report.

c) Police Department, Chief Jackson: No Report.

d) Library, Director Williams: Director Williams was absent.

e) Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson: No Report.

f) Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating: Mr. Keating announced Baseball and Football programs have begun and invited citizens to attend the games.

g) Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating: Mayor Miller commented on Right of Way mowing. The Mayor stated that there was an injury sustained by the operator of the machine.

h) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts: No Report.

6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a) Finance Chairperson, Eric Turner: Councilmember Turner reported on the budget work session.

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

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

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a) **Constitution Week Resolution, September 17 – September 23, 2013.** Mayor David Miller read the Resolution to the Council. Motion to approve the Proclamation by Councilmember Turner, with a second by Councilmember Ragland. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

b) **Resolution 2013-09-01 Regarding a Travel Request.** Motion to approve the Travel Request by Councilmember Turner, with a second by Councilmember Washington. The Motion passed with all present voting yes.

c) **Resolution 2013-09-02 To Authorize an Engineering Study for Pedestrian Improvements.** Motion to approve Resolution 2013-09-02 by Councilmember Dutton, with a second by Councilmember Washington; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

d) **Resolution 2013-09-03 To Approve Fiscal Year 2013-2014 City Budget.** Motion to approve Resolution 2013-09-03 by Councilmember Washington, with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion to table passed with all present voting yes.

e) **Resolution 2013-09-04 Authorizing Amendments To A Development Agreement.** Motion to approve Resolution 2013-09-04 by Councilmember Johnny Dutton with a second by Councilmember Kenneth Washington. Discussion: Mayor Miller opened the discussion. City Attorney J. Scott Barnett addressed the council regarding this matter. Motion to approve Resolution 2013-09-04 by Councilmember Johnny Dutton with a second by Councilmember Washington. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

Attorney Johnny Brunson asked the Council to suspend the rules to consider a Resolution to allow the City Court to take credit cards as a matter of business.

A motion was offered to suspend the rules to consider Resolution 2013-09-05 by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Ragland. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

f) **Resolution 09-05 To Allow the Municipal courts to accept credit card payment.** Motion to approve Resolution-09-05 by Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Dutton. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no comments by the Public.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was offered by Councilmember Washington, with a second by Councilmember Turner. This motion passed with all present voting yes.



David Miller, Mayor

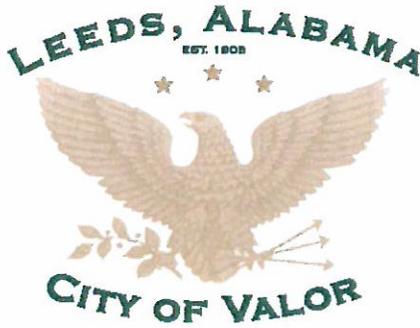
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Kenneth Washington – District 1
Eric G. Turner – District 2
Johnny G. Dutton – District 3
Craig Wadsworth – District 4
Devoris Roscha Ragland – District 5

CITY OF LEEDS RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, *September 17, 2013, marks the 226th anniversary of the signing of the Constitution of the United States of America at the Constitutional Convention, providing an historic opportunity for all Americans to remember the remarkable achievements of our Founding Fathers; and*

WHEREAS, *the Constitution is fundamentally predicated on governance by "We the People" making citizens' understanding of the Constitution and its framework an essential element of the future of our country and the civic health of its populace; and*

WHEREAS, *it is fitting and proper to officially recognize this remarkable document and the milestone anniversary of its creation, and the additions to it in the form of 27 amendments; and*

WHEREAS, *in recognition of the signing of the Constitution and of the Americans who strive to fulfill the duties and responsibilities of citizenship; the Congress, requested that the President proclaim the week beginning September 17 and ending September 23 of each year as "Constitution "Week;" and*

WHEREAS, *it is the desire of the City of Leeds to likewise recognize the achievements of our founding fathers in creating this remarkable and lasting document;*

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2013, IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS "CONSTITUTION WEEK" IN THE CITY OF LEEDS. SIGNED THIS 9TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2013

David Miller
Mayor, City of Leeds

Eric G. Turner
Councilman, Dist. 2

Kenneth Washington
Mayor pro tem, Dist. 1

Craig Wadsworth
Councilman, Dist. 4

Johnny G. Dutton
Councilman, Dist. 3

Devoris R. Ragland
Councilwoman, Dist. 5