

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA  
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING  
OCTOBER 7, 2013**

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, October 7, 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 6:04 PM with Councilmembers Johnny Dutton, Eric Turner, Craig Wadsworth and Kenneth Washington present. Councilmember Devoris Roscha Ragland was absent.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:** The Invocation was led by Councilmember Eric Turner.
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES:** minutes from a) September 16, 2013 Council Meeting; b) September 23, 2013 Public Hearing and Called Council Meeting; and September 30, 2013 Emergency Called Council Meeting were available for review by the Council. Motion to accept each set of minutes as presented by Councilmember Dutton, with a second by Councilmember Turner. Discussion followed with Councilmember Washington announcing his abstention from the a vote on the Sept 30<sup>th</sup> meeting. The motion passed with all present voting yes with Councilmember Washington abstaining on the Sept 30<sup>th</sup> meeting.
- 4. OLD BUSINESS:**

There was no Old Business to come before the Council.
- 5. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**
  - a) Administration, Mayor Miller:** The Mayor commented that he is waiting for options to be presented for the repair of Cogsbill Bridge.
  - b) Department, Chief Pierce:** The Chief announced Fire Prevention week and asked that everyone check smoke detectors. There are related events at the Schools and in the community.
  - c) Police Department, Chief Jackson:** No Report.
  - d) Library, Director Williams:** Ms. Williams distributed a pamphlet with information on the Jefferson County Library System. Mayor Miller commended the Library on the program carried out with an elementary school class today.
  - e) Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson:** Mr. Watson reported the transfer of a inspections department employee to another jurisdiction. Short staffing within the department could delay response time to complaints. It is anticipated that the Personnel Board of Jefferson County-Alabama will provide a list of prospective applicants in the next four to six months.
  - f) Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating:** There will be a softball tournament this weekend at the new ball field.
  - g) Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating:** Reported that the concrete will be poured on 9<sup>th</sup> street repair project this week and the concrete will need to cure once poured. The tree on Sims Street was removed today. Councilmember Washington commented and thanked Keating on the start of the roadside mowing.
  - h) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts:** Report supplied in packet. Ms. Roberts asked the Council to review the outstanding warrants contained in the report.

**6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- a) **Finance Chairperson, Eric Turner:** No Report.
- b) **Public Safety Committee, Devoris Roscha Ragland:** Absent.
- c) **Parks and Recreation Committee, Craig Wadsworth:** No Report.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

Motion to suspend the rules to have a first reading of Ordinance 2013-10-01 regarding the issuance of the school bonds as item D by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed will all present voting yes.

Motion to add item D to the agenda by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed all present voting yes.

**a) Resolution 2013-10-01 Regarding Necessary Approval In Reference To The Underwriting Purchase Contract For Certain Previously Approved City Financing.** Attorney Scott Barnett supplied a brief description to council about this resolution. Motion to approve Resolution 2013-10-01 by Councilmember Dutton, with a second by Councilmember Eric Turner. Request to change wording of motion from Elementary to Primary by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Elementary to Primary Turner; the amended motion passed with all present voting yes.

**b) Resolution 2013-10-02 Regarding Proposing The Annexation Of Certain Territory To The Corporate Limits Of The City. Attorney** Motion to approve Resolution 2013-10-02 by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

**c) Board Appointment to Zoning Board of Adjustments (ZBA).** Motion to appoint Mr. Jim Huggins as the Supernumerary Board Member for the ZBA by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed with all present voting yes. Mr. Huggins will replace Christa Vandiver and his term will expire in 2016.

**d) Ordinance 2013-10-01** There was unanimous consent to regard Ordinance 2013-10-01 regarding the issuance of the school bonds as a first reading by the council. The Ordinance will appear on the October 21, 2013 Council Meeting agenda.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL:**

**Councilmember Washington** moved to excuse the absence of Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

**Councilmember Washington** announced the Breast Cancer walk in Birmingham this coming Saturday.

**8. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** There were no comments from the Public.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Motion and second to adjourn by Councilmember Dutton. The meeting was adjourned at 6:26PM.



David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kevin Fouts, City Clerk