

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 4, 2014**

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, August 4, 2014 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 6:07 PM with Councilmembers Johnny Dutton, Devoris Roscha Ragland, Eric Turner, Craig Wadsworth present. Councilmember Kenneth Washington was absent.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE:** The Invocation was led by Councilmember Eric Turner.
- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES:** Minutes from the Council Meeting of July 21, 2014 were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was given by Councilmember Dutton, with a second by Councilmember Turner. The 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:** No Report.
 - b) Fire Department, Chief Pierce:** Supplied Report.
 - c) Police Department, Chief Jackson:** No Report.
 - f) Library, Director Williams:** On vacation.
 - g) Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson:** No Report.
 - h) Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating:** On vacation.
 - i) Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating:** On vacation.
 - j) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts:** Progress report supplied to Council.
- 6. COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORTS:**
 - a) Finance Chairperson, Eric Turner:** No Report.
 - b) Public Safety Committee, Devoris Roscha Ragland:** No Report.
 - c) Parks & Recreation Committee, Craig Wadsworth:** No Report.
 - d) Primary School Construction Review Committee, Mr. Ben Watson, P.E.:** Mr. Watson reported that the status of USS has not changed since the last meeting. Watson submitted an invoice from GMC regarding plans on the school. Watson recommends payment of the invoice which has been submitted be paid. The Mayor informed the council of the status of the development with regards to the developers.

Attorney Brunson added that the funds were not approved for the School project: Motion to approve payment of the invoice as submitted by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a) **Dr. Hamilton- Director, Community Development, Jefferson County:** Dr. Hamilton gave a brief summary of past projects that were completed in Leeds by the CDBG (Community Development Block Grant) program and asked the Council if there were any questions. Hamilton discussed the "Open Season" which starts in September and recommends that the City be represented at this meeting in order to identify potential projects for the next funding cycle. Dr. Hamilton discussed the potential for funds available for a new Senior Center. Hamilton reported \$16 million available for the Senior Program.

b) **Resolution 2014-08-01 Award Labor and Equipment Bid.** Motion to approve Resolution 2014-08-01 by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

c) **Resolution 2014-08-02 Award Solid Waste Bid.** Attorney Barnett informed council of this matter and called attention to the change in scope for the new bid process. Motion to approve Resolution 2014-08-02 by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

d) **Resolution 2014-08-03 Declare Weeds A Public Nuisance On Certain Properties.** Mayor Miller asked if there was anyone present that would like to discuss the proposed list of properties.

Kathy Bower, 1800 Kirkby Circle, stated that her property is adjacent to the common area. She requested time to work through the process. Ms. Bower would like to do this in the fall when it would be cooler and less chance of issues with rodents and animals. The current deadline is August 9th. Inspections Superintendent Watson indicated that declaring this site as a nuisance allows the city to go in and rehab the site so the property owner can maintain it from this time forward.

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-08-03 by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

City Attorney Barnett requested the addition of Resolution 2014-08-04 to the agenda. Motion to add Resolution 2014-08-04 to the agenda by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

Motion to approve Resolution 2014-08-04 by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

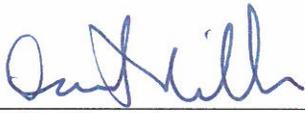
e) **Executive Session Regarding Pending And/Or Imminent Litigation.** City Attorney Barnett stated there is not a current need for this item.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT:

Fanny Burt, 7021 Alabama Ave. Stop sign at Churchill has children riding bicycles in the middle of the road. Magistrate Roberts spoke of this matter and she had discussions with the father of the children and it may be the problem has been resolved.

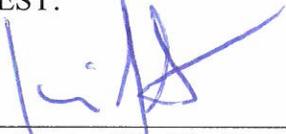
Shirley Hunter, 8101 Jackson Avenue, requested an additional 30 day extension to abate a nuisance matter. Mayor asked if this was a problem and Inspection Superintended indicated this has already been done.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth. The mayor adjourned the meeting at 6:42PM



David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kevin Fouts, City Clerk