CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2014

The City Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, December 15, 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 6:00PM with Councilmembers Kenneth Washington, Eric Turner, Johnny Dutton, Craig Wadsworth and Devoris Roscha Ragland present.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE: The invocation was given by Councilmember Eric Turner.

3. PUBLIC HEARING: Granting Public Funds To A Non Profit Entity
Mayor David Miller gave a description of this topic. Library Director Mondretta Williams spoke of appreciation as a board member of the Leeds Arts council. With no other comments the Mayor closed public hearing at 6:07PM.

The Mayor called the regular council meeting to order at 6:07PM.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES: a) December 01, 2014 Council Meeting: Motion by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton to approve minutes as presented, motion passed with all present voting yes.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

a) Resolution 2014-12-02 Appoint Municipal Judge. Motion to Table by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

6. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

a) Administration, Mayor Miller: Mayor spoke about the Dr. Lemak Medical Facility is about ¾ complete. Mayor also announced the UAB Diagnostic Center and Clinic will have a ground breaking ceremony on December 17 for a 17,000 square foot facility. There will be three double board physicians on staff when the facility opens with additional room for four other positions that can be added in the future.

b) Fire Department, Chief Pierce: No Report.

c) Police Department, Chief Jackson: No Report.

d) Library, Director Williams: Director reports of a Christmas themed TOT time tomorrow.

e) Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson: No Report.

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

g) Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating: Keating reports that the leaf truck is out working and requests people to keep big sticks out of the leaf piles. Dutton thanked Public Works for working in his district the past week.

h) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts: Report supplied in packet. Also late January or early February the Municipal Court will conduct Amnesty Court.

7. **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.

8. New Business:

a) Resolution 2014-12-03 Authorize Grant Application. Motion to approve Resolution by Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Dutton, the motion passed with all present voting yes.

b) Resolution 2014-12-04 Authorize City Funds To Non Profit Organization. Motion to approve resolution by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; motion passed with all present voting yes.

c) A Public Nuisance Matter: Superintendent Watson advised council of this matter. Attorney Barnett also appraised council of this matter. Motion to declare this a public nuisance and allow the mayor and staff to take the appropriate measures by Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; motion passed with all present voting yes.

9. **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Roland Isbell, Pine Avenue, announced the football team has won the state championship and asks if the City Council could help the team pay for their championship ring along with a proclamation. The Mayor indicated the council is working on such matter. Also, asked if ALDOT is going to finish the resurfacing of HWY 78 into Leeds from the Exit 140 area. Mayor indicated that there are three separate ALDOT projects regarding this matter.

Jesse Turner, 951 Diane Street: Clarified the ring purchase for the last championship win. Turner reports that he has heard comments from various community groups.

Kathye Drake inquired about getting a street light installed on Keith Road, this request came to her from Mr. Lance Carr; Wadsworth reported that he had the City's engineer look into this, and according to the City engineer the area did not warrant a street light which is paid by the City.Drake also reports that there is garbage piled at the entrance at Kings Forest Drive at Presidents Street.

Michael Dyer, 1086 Crest Road: Thanked the Public Works Department for cleaning up Parkway Drive after the Christmas Parade. Also at the intersection of Crest and Rowan there is a tree that is ready to fall on the Road on the left going up the road. Supervisor Keating indicated that the tree is on private property and there was not much the City could do at this time to abate the situation. Also Mr. Dyer suggests the City place a sign at the entrance of the High School indicating the Schools Football team winning the state Championship games.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no other comments a motion to adjourn the Council Meeting by Councilmember Turner and a second by Councilmember Wadsworth. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40PM.

David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kevin Fouts, City Clerk