

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
PUBLIC HEARING
AND REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2015**

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:06PM with Councilmembers Kenneth Washington, Eric Turner, Johnny Dutton, Craig Wadsworth and Devoris Roscha Ragland present.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The invocation was given by Jimmy Roy Johnson.

**PUBLIC HEARING
Regarding Properties Having Certain Conditions
To Be An Annoyance And Public Nuisance
In Violation of Chapter 32 Of The City of Leeds Code of Ordinances**

The Mayor opened the floor for owners to respond concerning each property on the agenda:

1227 Robert E Lee Street: No one present to respond.
1244 Vivian Street: No one present to respond.

The Mayor asked about cases carried over from the meeting on August 3, 2015.
142 Willow Street: Matt Morgan and Danny Morgan requested more time because they have 75% compliance to date. Inspections Superintendent indicated the property remains out of compliance, but significant progress has been made and a considerable effort has been put forth. Morgan indicated that a few more days will get this close to compliance. Councilmember Washington would like to extend the deadline since effort has been made at this point.

8449 Dunnivant Road: Person representing this property indicated the clean up has been occurring. Inspections Department reported that the progress to date is not where it should be. Mayor asked how much more time is needed to bring property into compliance. Person indicates that rain has been making this difficult. Councilmember Washington asked that the City give her another 10 days and if no significant progress has been made, for the city to proceed.

8616 Blair Street: No one present to respond.
8301 Hall Avenue: No one present to respond.
8397 Dunnivant Road: No one present to respond.

The Mayor opened the floor for more comments. There were no additional comments and the Mayor closed the public hearing at 6:20PM.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

3. **REVIEW AND APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES:** Council Public Hearing and Meeting Minutes from August 03, 2015 were reviewed by the Council. Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.
4. **OLD BUSINESS:** there was no Old Business presented to the Council.
5. **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**
 - a) **Administration, Mayor Miller.** The Mayor spoke about the progress with the Street, Sidewalk and Drainage project at the Elementary School. Mayor Miller requested that the Council adjourn to an Executive Session. Attorney Barnett stated that the matter to be discussed complies with the open meetings act and relates to an immanent legal matter. The Council adjourned to executive session

at 6:23PM and returned to Regular session at 6:39PM. Attorney Barnett did not return.

b) Fire Department, Chief Parsons. Report enclosed in Council packet.

c) Police Department, Chief Jackson. Report enclosed in Council packet.

d) Library, Director Williams. TOT time is scheduled for August 18 and August 21st is Sewing with Liz Class. There is a Speak Easy Art Class which will be held on August 31st at 6:30PM in the Library Annex. Director Williams announced that the Library will be closed Aug 27 thru Sept 2nd for the installation of new carpet installation.

e) Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson. No Report.

f) Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating. The hours the Splash pad will be open are Friday 9:00AM thru 4:00PM, Saturday 9:00AM thru 7:00PM and Sunday 1:00PM thru 6:00PM and will be open on the Labor Day Holiday. After the Labor Day Holiday the Splash Pad will be closed for the season.

g) Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating. The Side Arm Tractor is down for repairs which is hindering uneven ditch mowing.

h) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts. Report included in Council Packet. Magistrate Roberts reported concerning the Nuisance cases, stating that the property owners are required to come to court to resolve the criminal actions against them.

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 the Blalock Building Company pay request and the Terracon request for payment. Watson reports concerns of the value engineered allowance which needs to be formalized and is working through the approval process for the changes. Mr. Watson pointed out the progress schedule and report graph on how the project is moving on the anticipated time-line. Watson recommended payment to Terracon and Blalock as submitted. Mr. Watson affirmed the project continues to be on track even with the current weather events. Motion to pay invoices submitted by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; after some discussion the motion passed with all present voting yes.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Resolution 2015-08-03 Change the September 7th Council Meeting to September 14, 2015. Motion to approve Resolution 2015-08-03 by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Ragland; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

b) Resolution 2015-08-04 Award Franklin Street Paving Bid. Motion to approve Resolution 2015-08-04 by Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; motion passed with all present voting yes.

c) Resolution 2015-08-05 Award Seventh Street Paving Bid. Motion to approve Resolution 2015-08-05 by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; motion passed with all present voting yes.

d) Resolution 2015-08-06 Determination of Certain Conditions To Be An Annoyance And Public Nuisance In Violation of Chapter 32 Of The Code of Ordinances.:

1227 Robert E Lee Street, Case Number 3621. Motion to approve by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; with no discussion, the motion passed with all present voting yes.

1244 Vivian Street, case number 3714. Motion to approve by Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Washington; with no discussion, the motion passed with all present voting yes.

142 Willow Street, Case Number 822. Motion to extend to Sept 10th by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Washington. Motion passed with all present voting yes.

8449 Dunnivant Road, case number 2380. Motion to extend to Sept 10 by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Ragland; motion passed with all present voting yes.

8397 Dunnivant Road, case number 3833. With no one present to speak about this property a motion to declare a nuisance was given by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; motion passed with all present voting yes.

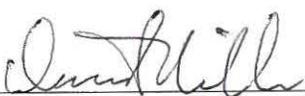
8616 Blair Street, case number 3165. With no one present to speak to this matter, a motion to declare a nuisance was given by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Washington; motion passed with all present voting yes,

8301 Hall avenue, case number 3334. With no one present to speak to this matter, a motion to declare a public nuisance was given by Councilmember Turner with second by Councilmember Washington; motion passed with all present voting yes.

e) Resolution 2015-08-07 Consider FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Application. Superintendent addressed this matter before the council. Motion to approve as amended from resolution present by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Dutton; motion passed with all present voting yes.

9. PUBLIC COMMENT: there were no comments from the public.

ADJOURNMENT: motion by Councilmember Turner to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:15PM.


David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kevin Fouts, City Clerk