

**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
PUBLIC HEARING AND
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 4, 2016**

The Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a Public Hearing and Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, January 4, 2016 at 6:00PM in the Leeds Civic Center Meeting Room, 1000 Park Drive, Leeds, Alabama 35094.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:05PM with Councilmembers Kenneth Washington, Eric Turner, Johnny Dutton and Craig Wadsworth present and Councilmember Devoris Roscha Ragland arriving at 6:08PM.
- 2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** the invocation was given by Eric Turner.

PUBLIC HEARING

Regarding Property Identified As 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 announced that the issues regarding the property have been resolved and the Public Hearing will not be necessary.
The Regular Scheduled Council Meeting followed.

- 3. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES:** Minutes from December 14, 2015 Public Hearing and City Council Meeting were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes as presented by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Dutton; 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.** The Mayor announced the start of the newspaper in the City, the *Leeds Tribune*. The first two editions will be free and can be obtained from local businesses and the Chamber Building. Also, the City's new website is now up and running with daily updates.

Mayor Miller asked for the addition of Resolution 2015-01-03 as an agenda item "B". Motion to add to agenda as item "B" due to striking the nuisance matter by Councilmember Washington with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth. The motion passed with all present voting yes.

 - b) Fire Department, Chief Parsons.** The Chief announced that the Department offered mutual aid for the City of Moody as Vinny Vito's Restaurant burned last night and this morning for a residential structure fire.
 - c) Police Department, Chief Jackson.** No Report.
 - d) Library, Director Williams.** Absent.
 - e) Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson.** No Report.
 - f) Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Keating.** No Report.
 - g) Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Keating.** No Report.
 - h) Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts.** Ms. Roberts announced that the Court is in the process of preparing for amnesty court next month.

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 school construction progressing as planned in spite of the weather. The occupation date for the facility continues to be on track for the end of July 2016. Watson reports Change Order Number 2, which was for the installation of a canopy. Change Order Number 3 on the contract is to complete the "value engineering" remains as an outstanding item. Mr. Watson noted that the stone base for the paving will be installed this week with the paving scheduled to be completed end of February if the weather cooperates. The roofing is almost complete with shingles to be installed by January 20th. Watson requests payment for the outstanding Terracon invoice as submitted which was overlooked last month. Watson reports there have been other invoices circulating but due to the holidays have not been formally submitted for payment. Motion to pay Terracon invoice by Councilmember Ragland with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

7. NEW BUSINESS:

a) Resolution 2016-01-01 Reschedule January 18, 2016 Council Meeting to January 11, 2016 at 5:30PM. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-01-01 by Councilmember Wadsworth with a second by Councilmember Turner; the motion passed with all present voting yes.

b) Resolution 2016-01-03 In Declaration of a Public Safety Emergency and in Authorization of the City to Take the Necessary Emergency Measures Concerning Lisa Ann Drive. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-01-03 by Councilmember Turner with a second by Councilmember Wadsworth, the motion passed with all present voting yes.

d) Ratify Fiscal Year 2015 Expenditures. Motion to approve Ratification by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Dutton, motion passed with all present voting yes.

Resolution 2016-01-02 Regarding Property Identified As Having Certain Conditions To Be An Annoyance And Public Nuisance In Violation of Chapter 32 Of The City of Leeds Code of Ordinances. This Resolution was not considered.

8. PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Wadsworth. The meeting adjourned at 6:19PM.



David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:



Kevin Fouts, City Clerk