



CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

GotoMeeting - Virtual Meeting Room

March 01, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

CALL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

ROLL CALL / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT

Mayor David Miller
Council member Eric Turner
Council member Johnny Dutton
Council member Kenneth Washington

ABSENT

Council member Ryan Bell
Council member Devoris Ragland-Pierce

INVOCATION

Council member Eric Turner

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 7920 Texas Avenue
Mayor Miller stated he had received word this property is in compliance and removed it from the agenda.
2. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 534 Oak Street
Mayor Miller stated he had received word this property is in compliance and removed it from the agenda.
3. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 8426 Lewis Avenue
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4. Amendment 772 Hearing - TriGreen Equipment LLC
Mayor Miller summarized the agreement with TriGreen Equipment. There was no public comment. The matter was referred to Council.

Public Hearing closed at 6:03 pm.

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES

5. Minutes from February 01, 2021
Motion to approve minutes from February 01, 2021 was made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

6. Mayor's Report: Mayor David Miller
Mayor Miller announced the receipt of the resignation from Council member Ryan Bell for his District 4 seat effective today. The City invites anyone wishing to apply who is a registered voter in District 4 to apply by Tuesday, March 09, 2021. Council member Washington asked why the cutoff was on a Tuesday and the length of residence in District 4. Mayor Miller replied that the City is following the requirements as set forth by the State for municipal

elections. City Administrator Watson replied that the deadline must be 3:30 pm of the Tuesday prior to the next City Council meeting. There is a PDF version and an online version available. Council member Dutton asked about homesteading requirement. City Attorney Scott Barnett replied the applicant must be registered to vote there and reside there 51% of the time.

The conclusion: District 4 seat is now declared vacant, and the deadline for submission will be Tuesday, March 09, 2021 at 3:30 pm. The City Council has the intention of voting on the matter on the following meeting to be held on Monday, March 15, 2021.

Also, Mayor Miller announced a change of hours for City Hall and Public Works.

7. Police Department: Chief Atkinson

Chief Atkinson recognized several officers: Officer Turnbloom (K-9 officer). Jinx is now trained and certified. Officer Turnbloom has made a few drug-related arrests. Officer Zack Harrison made an arrest on construction site material theft.

8. Fire Department: Chief Parsons

No Report

9. Library: Library Director Carden

February 2021 report is in council packet.

10. Municipal Court: Magistrate Roberts

Handed out report.

11. Development Services Department: City Administrator Watson

No Report

12. Public Works Department: Public Works Director Warren

Absent

OLD BUSINESS:

13. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 7247 President Street

Item was removed from the agenda during the public hearing.

NEW BUSINESS:

14. Resolution 21-000319 (Carried over from the cancelled meeting - February 16, 2021): Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 7920 Texas Avenue

Item was removed from the agenda during the public hearing.

15. Resolution 2021-02-04 (Carried over from the cancelled meeting - February 16, 2021): Consider Animal Control and Pound Services Contract

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-02-04 was made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Turner. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington

16. Resolution 21-000393: Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 534 Oak Street

Item was removed from the agenda during the public hearing.

17. Resolution 20-002658: Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Annoyance and Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 32 of the Code of Ordinances at 8426 Lewis Avenue

Item was removed from the agenda during the public hearing.

18. Resolution 2021-03-01: Consider Use and Grant Public Funds and Things of Value in Aid to a Private Entity Pursuant to Amendment 772 of the Alabama Constitution - TriGreen Equipment LLC

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-03-01 was made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council

member Dutton, Council member Washington

19. Resolution 2021-03-02: Consider Approval to Make Certain Budget Amendments to Purchase Various Equipment

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-03-02 was made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Washington. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington

20. Resolution 2021-03-03: Consider Adoption and Ratification of January 2021 City Expenditures/Payables

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-03-03 was made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington

21. Resolution 2021-03-04: Consider Implementing a City Department Cash and Receivables Policy

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-03-04 subject to updated review by the Finance Committee Committee was made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Turner. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington.

22. Ordinance 2021-03-01: Consider Dedication of City Property as Right of Way

Motion for Unanimous Consent to consider Ordinance 2021-03-01 was made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Turner. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington

Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-03-01 was made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

An Executive Session for the Council under Section 36-25A-7 (1 and 3) was recommended by City Attorney Scott Barnett. Motion for Unanimous Consent to move into Executive Session made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Dutton. The motion passed by the following vote: Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, and Council member Washington. The Council went into Executive Session at 6:40 pm and returned at 7:16 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment made.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Washington.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 pm.

David Miller, Mayor

Attest:

Toushi Arbitelle, City Clerk