



CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

City Hall Annex - Meeting Room - 1412 9th St, Leeds, AL 35094

August 15, 2022 @ 6:00 PM

CALL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

ROLL CALL / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT

Mayor David Miller
Council member Kenneth Washington
Council member Eric Turner
Council member Johnny Dutton
Council member Angie Latta
Council member Devoris Ragland-Pierce

INVOCATION

Council member Eric Turner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor David Miller

CUTOFF FOR PUBLIC COMMENT SIGN-UP

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Unsafe Building at 7612 Cedar Avenue
No one was present. There was no public comment. Item was referred to Council.
2. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Unsafe Building at 1704 Jones Street
No one was present. There was no public comment. Item was referred to Council.
3. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be an Unsafe Building at 1140 Maplewood Drive
Kenneth Clinkscales, 1140 Maplewood Drive, states they have cleaned up the house and wants to whatever necessary in order to save his home. Mr. Ray Filmore, Development Services, agrees that they have done a significant cleanup but still has a lot to go. Mr. Brad Watson, Development Services, stated the house has several life-safety issues. Mr. Watson is agreeable for a 60-day extension.
4. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be a Public Nuisance at 1140 Maplewood Drive
Discussion was combined with previous item.
Public Hearing closed at 6:13 pm.

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES

5. Minutes from August 01, 2022

Motion to approve minutes from August 01, 2022 made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Latta. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

6. Mayor's Report: Mayor David Miller

7. Police Department: Chief Irwin

Chief Irwin reported that all officers have active-shooter training. They have been busy clearing up outstanding warrants.

8. Fire Department: Chief Parsons

Chief Parsons stated that monthly report is in packet. New fire truck should be here on August 25th.

9. Municipal Court: Magistrate Roberts

No Report

10. Development Services Department: City Administrator Watson

Mr. Ray Filmore explained how they are handling permit-processing complaints. They visited neighboring jurisdictions and viewed their process. Mayor announced that they are interviewing for Permit Coordinator position. Mr. Watson added that the State has approved a five-year adjustment to Municipal Business License Issuance Fees. Effective January 01, 2023, the business license issuance fee will increase from \$10 to \$14.

11. Public Works Department: Public Works Director Warren

Absent

12. Social Services Department: Director Bryan

No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

13. Resolution 22-000952: Consider Declaring Certain Conditions to be an Unsafe Building at 7612 Cedar Avenue

Motion to approve Resolution 22-000952 made by Council member Ragland-Pierce, Seconded by Council member Turner. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

14. Resolution 22-001112: Consider Declaring Certain Conditions to be an Unsafe Building at 1704 Jones Street

Mr. Watson discussed the following: the completed repairs are greater than 50% of the building value and are greater than 50% of the floor area. This was completed without any permits or inspections. The structure is in the Federal Flood zone and as such the requirements of the flood prevention ordinance apply. The structure would need to be elevated 2 feet to be compliant. If not, the structure will need to be removed. The property owner was not present for the meeting.

Motion to approve Resolution 22-001112 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Washington. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

15. Resolution 21-002669: Consider Declaring Certain Conditions to be an Unsafe Building at 1140 Maplewood Drive

Mr. Watson agreed to a 180-day extension for both cases.

Motion to grant 180-day extension (next meeting-Tuesday, February 23, 2023) made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Ragland-Pierce. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

16. Resolution 21-002669: Consider Declaring Certain Conditions to be a Public Nuisance at 1140 Maplewood Drive

Discussion was combined with previous item.

17. Resolution 2022-08-05: Consider an Agreement with Regional Planning Commission to develop a Comprehensive Plan Update

Motion to table Resolution 2022-08-05 until next meeting (Tuesday, September 06, 2022) made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Ragland-Pierce. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

18. Resolution 2022-08-06: Consider Awarding City Parks Maintenance Bid

Motion to approve Resolution 2022-08-06 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Latta. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

19. Resolution 2022-08-07: Consider Authorizing the Payoff of City Fire Truck

Motion to approve Resolution 2022-08-07 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Turner. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

20. Resolution 2022-08-08 - Library Board Appointment

Motion to table Resolution 2022-08-08 until next meeting (Tuesday, September 06, 2022) made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Ragland-Pierce. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner,

Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Amber Vines, 1706 Self Street, Leeds Main Street - Executive Director, gave an update of their progress.

Ms. Martha Flowers, 7237 Cahawba Lane, Leeds Main Street supporter.

Ms. Laysea Chasteen, 7216 Mountain View Lane, Leeds Main Street supporter.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Council member Washington. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 pm.

David Miller, Mayor

Attest:

Toushi Artbitelle, City Clerk