



CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Leeds Municipal Annex - 1412 9th Street; Leeds, Alabama 35094

July 06, 2021 @ 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 Johnny Dutton
Council member Angie Latta
Council member Devoris Ragland-Pierce

ABSENT

Council member Eric Turner

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor David Miller

PUBLIC HEARING

1. RA20-000006: A request for the Rezoning of a Certain Property at 8417 Dunnivant Road from R-2 (Single Family District) to I-2 (Heavy Industrial District)

Mr. Bert Boykin, a representative for High Tide Oil Company Inc., handed out a packet to the Mayor & Council which explained their intent for the rezoning request.

Several stood and spoke in opposition to the request: Mr. Bill Morris, General Manager - Leeds Water Works Board; Mr. James Cassidy, InSite Engineering LLC - engineer for Leeds Water Works Board; Mr. Roland Isbell, 7717 Pine Avenue; Mr. Bobby Howard, 7725 Pine Avenue; Mr. John Bryant, 7716 Pine Avenue; Ms. Pamela Wear, 556 Oak Street, 572 Oak Street & 546 Oak Street; Mr. Steve Cooper, 585 Oak Street and Ms. Catherine Elders, 7708 Pine Avenue. There was no other comment. The matter was referred to Council.

2. Bid Summary for Solid Waste Collection, Disposal, Recycling & related services

There was no public comment. The matter was referred to Council.

Public Hearing closed at 6:29 pm.

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES

3. Minutes from June 07, 2021

Motion to approve minutes from June 07, 2021 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Latta. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

4. Mayor's Report: Mayor David Miller

Mayor Miller announced the City is accepting applications for Leeds Jane Culbreth Library Board. Interested persons need to apply on the City's website or at City Hall. The deadline is July 15, 2021 for consideration at the July 19, 2021 City Council meeting.

5. Police Department: Chief Atkinson

No Report

6. Fire Department: Chief Parsons

Chief Parsons addressed the Mayor and Council. He explained that his department was provided wrecked vehicles from Murray's for extrication practice. Also, the Dive Team has been very active in the last few weeks with search and recovery efforts.

7. Library: Library Director Carden

No Report

8. Municipal Court: Magistrate Roberts

No Report

9. Development Services Department: City Administrator Watson

Mr. Watson explained to Mayor & Council that the over-time is within normal parameters now. Also, Mr. Watson reminded everyone that the Jefferson County rezoning case on Rex Lake Road will be held on Thursday, July 08, 2021. An opposition delegation will attend.

10. Public Works Department: Public Works Director Warren

No Report

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

11. Ordinance 2021-05-01: Consider Determination of Assenting to the Rezoning at 8417 Dunnivant Road

Motion for Unanimous Consent to consider Ordinance 2021-05-01 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Washington. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce.

Mr. Watson explained that the proposed property is on the border of the Master Plan. However, Council is not bound to it as the Council did not accept it after Planning &

Zoning recommended approval.

Motion to deny Ordinance 2021-05-01 made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Ragland-Pierce. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

12. Ordinance 2021-07-01: Consider Awarding Solid Waste Franchise Bid

Mayor Miller gave both companies an opportunity to address the Council. Mr. Brandon Kemp, EcoSouth Services, stated that he can have cans and trucks by August 02, 2021. He will need a master list of residents. Mr. Mike Mitchell, Waste Management, stated their end date is July 31, 2021 and will help with the transition.

Motion for Unanimous Consent to consider Ordinance 2021-07-01 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Ragland-Pierce. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-07-01 made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Ragland-Pierce. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce

13. Resolution 2021-07-01: Consider a lease of meeting space at the Civic Center

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-07-01 made by Council member Washington. There was no second for the motion. The resolution fails.

14. Resolution 2021-07-02: Consider a declaration of emergency for city ambulance bid

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-07-02 made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Jerry Thomas, 7733 Georgia Avenue, addressed Council and asked for "No Solicitation" sign for his neighborhood.

Ms. Terry Durley, 1612 Millie Street and Ms. Melissa Beebe, 1624 Millie Street, addressed Council and asked for Millie Street to be repaved.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce. The meeting adjourned at 7:22 pm.

Attest:

David Miller, Mayor

Toushi Arbitelle, City Clerk