



CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES

Leeds Municipal Annex - 1412 9th St, Leeds, AL 35094

September 14, 2020 @ 6:00 PM

CALL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL / INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT

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

ABSENT

Council member Ryan Bell

INVOCATION

Council member Eric Turner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor David Miller

PUBLIC HEARING

1. Amendment 772 Hearing - Lt. Stephen Williams Memorial Fund
No one was present. There was no Public Comment. The matter was referred to Council.
2. R20-001676 To declare and order the abatement of a public nuisance at 8331 Dunnavant Rd
No one was present. There was no Public Comment. Zoning Administrator Watson recommends approval of the abatement as this location is a repeat offender. The matter was referred to Council.
Public Hearing closed at 6:02 pm.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

3. Mayor's Report: Mayor David Miller

Mayor Miller called on LHS Band Booster President Laura Roberts regarding the incident at Friday's game at Moody High School. Ms. Roberts provided her personal account of what happened and confirmed that LHS Band was required to leave school property.

4. Police Department: Chief Atkinson
Absent
5. Fire Department: Chief Parsons
Chief Parsons reported that Workout Anytime held their annual 9/11 Stair Climb Challenge. He will report back later when an exact dollar amount is available.
6. Library: Library Director Carden
Director Carden explained how the City of Birmingham budget cuts will affect our library because of the shared co-operative. Also, she gave an update on the CCLC grant with the schools.
7. Municipal Court: Magistrate Roberts
Handed out July 2020 report to Council members.
8. Development Services Department: Zoning Administrator Watson
No Report
9. Public Works Department: Public Works Director Warren
Director Warren gave an update of the sidearm mowing in the Russell Heights area.

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES

10. Minutes from August 03, 2020
Motion to approve minutes from August 03, 2020 made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington
11. Minutes from September 01, 2020
Motion to approve minutes from September 01, 2020 made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

12. Resolution 2020-09-02: Consider Use and Grant Public Funds and Things of Value in Aid to a Private Entity Pursuant to Amendment 772 of the Alabama Constitution
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-09-02 made by Council member Washington, Seconded by Council member Miller. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council

member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington

13. Resolution 2020-09-03: Consider Tier III Retirement Benefits for City Employees
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-09-03 made by Council member Turner, Seconded by Council member Miller. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington
14. Resolution 2020-09-04: Consider Approving Sprinkler Inspection Contract
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-09-04 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Turner. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington
15. Consider Resolution 2020-09-05: Adopt and Ratify August 2020 City Expenditures/Payables
Motion to approve Resolution 2020-09-05 made by Council member Miller, Seconded by Council member Dutton. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington
16. R20-001676 - To declare a public nuisance at 8331 Dunnavant Rd.
Motion to approve Resolution 20-001676 made by Council member Dutton, Seconded by Council member Miller. Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Miller, Council member Washington

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Dorik Mekertichian, 10034 Tabor Rd (Gadsden), expressed his concerns with Koplou Implant & Family Dentistry.

Mr. Bharat Patel, 7296 Parkway Drive, asked about opening a liquor store. Zoning Administrator Watson informed Mr. Patel that his property is too close to a church and a school as per State requirements. Unfortunately, no distance relief is available.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:30 pm.

David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:

Toushi Arbitelle, City Clerk