



CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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

July 15, 2024 @ 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 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

APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES

Not available for review.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

1. Mayor David Miller
No report
2. City Administrator Watson
Absent
3. City Clerk Arbitelle
No report
4. Police Chief Irwin
Chief Irwin reported a good turnout for Church of the Highlands Serve Day. Since it's an upcoming tax-free holiday, he is parking a squad car at Walmart to "pack with school supplies."
5. Fire Chief Parsons

Chief Parsons was absent. Assistant Fire Chief Courington had no report.

6. Court Magistrate Roberts
No report.
7. Superintendent Williams
No report.
8. Public Works Director Warren
No report.
9. Social Services Director Bryan
Absent

PUBLIC HEARING

There was none.

OLD BUSINESS:

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS:

10. Executive Session - 36-25A-7(a)(6) & (7) - Matters of Trade and Property.
City Attorney Scott Barnett stated the Executive Session is a proper request under Section 36-25-7(a)(6)(7). Motion to adjourn into Executive Session 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. The Council adjourned into Executive Session at 6:05 pm and returned at 7:39 pm.
11. Resolution - approval of economic development proposal
Council member Turned voiced his objections. Council member Ragland-Pierce sees the change as a great opportunity for the city. Council member Washington wants a public hearing to discuss the spending involved. Motion to approve Resolution 2024-07-01 (Approval of Economic Development Proposal) 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. Voting Nay: Council member Turner.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Channon Edwards, 1247 Katherine Street, wants to save the American Legion Post 107.

Mr. Donnie Hughes, 22011 Lisa Ann Drive, JAG Officer at American Legion Post 107. Denies the claims made by Ms. Edwards.

Mr. Lee Held, 1074 Kelly Creek Way, American Legion Post 107 member. Also, denies the claims made by Ms. Edwards.

ADJOURNMENT

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

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 pm.

David Miller, Mayor

Attest:

Toushi Artbitelle, City Clerk