

# CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

# **REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

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

September 07, 2021 @ 6:00 PM

#### **CALL COUNCIL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:05 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

# **PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Public input pursuant to State Constitutional Amendment 772 in regard to the proposed issuance of Series 2021 Warrants

Mayor Miller explained the item to those present. There was no public comment. Item was referred to Council.

Public Hearing closed at 6:08 pm.

# **APPROVE COUNCIL MINUTES**

2. Minutes from August 16, 2021

Motion to approved minutes from August 16, 2021 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.

3. Minutes from September 01, 2021

Motion to approve minutes from September 01, 2021 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.

#### **REPORTS OF OFFICERS:**

4. Mayor's Report: Mayor David Miller

No Report.

5. Police Department: Chief Atkinson

No Report.

6. Fire Department: Chief Parsons

Chief Parsons gave updates on the new ambulance, training with ALEA (Alabama Law Enforcement Agency) and a 9/11 fundraiser at Work Out Anytime.

7. Library: Library Director Carden

No Report.

8. Municipal Court: Magistrate Roberts

Ms. Roberts handed out copies of May 2021-August 2021 reports.

9. Development Services Department: City Administrator Watson

No Report.

10. Public Works Department: Public Works Director Warren

No Report.

11. Social Services Department: Director Bryan

No Report.

# **OLD BUSINESS:**

There was none.

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

12. Resolution 2021-09-01: Consider the 94.01 Approval and Granting of Public Funds and Things of Value in Aid to a Private Entity Pursuant to Amendment 772 of the Alabama Constitution for Series 2021 Warrants

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-01 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.

13. Resolution 2021-09-02: Consider Approval of Fiscal Year 2021-2022 City Budget

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-02 which includes a 6% COLA (Cost of Living Adjustment) 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.

 Resolution 2021-09-03: Consider Adoption and Ratification of July 2021 City Expenditures/Payables

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-03 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.

- 15. Resolution 2021-09-04: Consider an Appropriation to Leeds High School Band Boosters Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-04 made by Council member Latta, 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.
- 16. Resolution 2021-09-05: Consider Authorizing the Execution of a Non-binding Letter of Intent for Sports Park Development

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-05 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.

17. Resolution 2021-09-06: Consider Approval of Clastran Paratransit Services

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-06 made by Council member Ragland-Pierce, 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.

18. Ordinance 2021-09-02: Consider the Implementation of City Employee Fraternization Policy

Motion for Unanimous Consent to consider Ordinance 2021-09-02 made by Council member Turner, 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.

Motion to approve Ordinance 2021-09-02 made by Council member Turner, 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.

#### 19. Executive Session

Motion for Unanimous Consent to add Resolution 2021-09-07 and Resolution 2021-09-08 to the agenda 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.

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-07 (allow City Fire Department to serve as EMS clinical training location) 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.

Motion to approve Resolution 2021-09-08 (allow City Fire Department to contract with Rocky Ridge Fire District for billing support services) 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.

An Executive Session for the Council under Section 36-25A-7 (a) (6) was recommended by City Attorney Scott Barnett. Motion for Unanimous Consent to move into Executive Session made by Council member Latta, Seconded by Council member Washington. The motion passed by the following vote: Voting Yea: Mayor Miller, Council member Washington, Council member Turner, Council member Dutton, Council member Latta, Council member Ragland-Pierce. The Council went into Executive Session at 6:25 pm and returned at 8:21 pm.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There was none.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn made by Council member Turner, 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.

David Miller, Mayor	
Attest:	
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The meeting adjourned at 8:23 pm.