

CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

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

October 16, 2023 @ 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

ABSENT

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

1. Minutes from October 02, 2023

Motion to approve Minutes from October 02, 2023 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

REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

2. Mayor David Miller

Representative Susan Dubose made a \$10,000 grant presentation to the Leeds Jane Culbreth Public Library. Mayor Miller recognized Public Works for cleaning up the condemned houses recently approved by Council. Mayor Miller acknowledged that during this administration over 70 new businesses have located in Leeds and Hubble has expanded

twice. There will be a ribbon cutting for TriGreen Equipment on Thursday. Also, there will be further announcement later in the week regarding another major player opening in Leeds.

3. City Administrator Watson

Mr. Watson reminded Mayor Miller of the debt payoff for the 2020 paving loan of \$2.4 million dollars.

4. City Clerk Arbitelle

No report given

5. Police Chief Irwin

Chief Irwin was absent. Captain Ron Reaves had no report.

Fire Chief Parsons

Chief Parsons reported that the State Forestry Commission has lifted some counties from the burn ban. However, Leeds still has a burn ban and no burn permits are being issued to burn leaves. You may bag your leaves for Public Works pick up.

7. Court Magistrate Roberts

No report given

8. Superintendent Williams

No report given

Public Works Director Warren

Mr. Warren reported that his department hauled 40.16 tons for the condemned house on Whitmire.

10. Social Services Director Bryan

No report given

PUBLIC HEARING

11. Consider Determination of Certain Conditions to be a Public Nuisance at 1943 Lane Drive

Mr. Williams reported on the deteriorating condition of the burned house. There was no other public comment made. Item was referred to Council.

Public Hearing closed at 6:12 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

12. Resolution 23-001250: Consider Declaring Certain Conditions to be a Public Nuisance at 1943 Lane Drive

Motion to approve Resolution 23-001250 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

13. Resolution 2023-10-07: Consider Adoption and Ratification of June 2023 City Expenditures/Payables

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-10-07 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

14. Resolution 2023-10-08: Consider Adoption and Ratification of July 2023 City Expenditures/Payables

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-10-08 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

15. Resolution 2023-10-09: Consider Approval of 2024 Severe Weather Preparedness Sales Tax Holiday

Motion to approve Resolution 2023-10-09 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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Leeds Band Boosters - Laura Roberts, President: thanked the City for its help to allow fundraising for the Band's trip to Pearl Harbor in March 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn 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.

David Miller, Mayor	
Attest:	
Toushi Artbitelle, City Clerk	

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 pm.