



**CITY OF LEEDS, ALABAMA
PUBLIC HEARING AND
REGULAR SCHEDULED COUNCIL MEETING
JULY 19, 2018**

The Council of the City of Leeds, Alabama met for a Public Hearing and Regular Scheduled Council Meeting on Monday, July 19, 2018 at 6:00PM in the Leeds Civic Center Meeting Room, 1000 Park Drive, Leeds, Alabama 35094.

1. CALL TO ORDER: Mayor David Miller called the meeting to order at 6:05PM with Councilmembers Johnny Dutton, Linda Miller, and Kenneth Washington present. Councilmembers Ryan Bell and Eric Turner were absent. Also present were the City Attorneys Johnny Brunson and Jeff Sherrer.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: the invocation was led by Councilmember Dutton.

3. PUBLIC HEARING:

a) Consider Determination of Certain Conditions of Subject Property is Unsafe to the Extent that it is a Public Nuisance 7580 Cahaba Avenue. The mayor asked if anyone was present to speak for or against this matter. No one was present to speak; matter was deferred to Council.

The Public Hearing was closed at 6:07PM.

4. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: minutes from the July 9, 2018 Public Hearing and Regular Council Meeting were reviewed by the Council. Motion to approve as presented by Councilmember Dutton with a second by Councilmember Miller; the motion passed unanimously.

5. REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES OR SPECIAL BOARDS:

- a) **Finance Chairperson, Linda Miller.** No Report
- b) **Public Safety Committee, Kenneth Washington.** No Report
- c) **Public Works and Parks & Recreation Committee, Ryan Bell.** No Report

6. REPORTS OF OFFICERS:

- a) **Administration, Mayor Miller.** Mayor Miller excused the absences of Department officers.
- b) **Public Safety, Mr. Atkinson:** Absent.
- c) **Fire Department, Chief Parsons.** Absent.
- d) **Police Department,** Absent.
- e) **Library, Director Carden.** Absent
- f) **Municipal Court, Magistrate Roberts.** Absent.
- g) **Inspection Department, Superintendent Watson.** Absent.
- h) **Parks and Recreation Department, Supervisor Warren**
- i) **Streets and Sanitation Department, Supervisor Warren.** Absent..

7. **OLD BUSINESS:** there was no Old Business to come before the Council.

8. **NEW BUSINESS:**

a) **Resolution 2018-07-12 Consider Whether or not a Certain Structure, located at 7580 Cahaba Avenue is Unsafe to the Extent that it is a Public Nuisance in Violation of Chapter 10 of the Code of Ordinances.** The Inspections Department declared the building unsafe and recommended demolition. Motion to approve Resolution 2018-07-12 by Councilmember Miller with a second by Councilmember Dutton; the motion passed unanimously.

b) **Resolution 2018-07-13 Consider Determination of Awarding bid for CDBG Blight Removal Project.** Brad Watson reported that no bids have been received and requested authorization for city to perform demolition as needed. Demolition will be completed by Friday, July 27, 2018 and the City will be reimbursed by the end of August. Motion to approve Resolution 2018-07-13 with specific changes by Councilmember Miller with a second by Councilmember Washington. Discussion: Councilmember Washington inquired as to the number of homes to be demolished. Mr. Watson explained there are seven (7) homes that are in the true blight condition.. Councilmember Washington asked if the cost would be covered by ongoing fund, to which Mr. Watson replied it would not. Councilmember Miller asked if City equipment would be used. Mr. Watson responded that the contractor will provide the equipment and that the City is exempt from EPA (Environmental Protection Agency) requirements. Councilmember Washington asked the cost involved, to which Mr. Watson reported that the Project will amount to less than \$84,000. On vote, the motion passed unanimously.

9. **COUNCIL COMMENTS:** there were no Council comments.

10. **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Ms. Fannie Burt, 6721 Martin Luther King Drive, stated that assistance is needed during the election process. She asked that a key be given to the election officer in charge. **Mayor Miller** thanked Ms. Burt for bringing the issue to the attention of Council.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Dutton. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15PM.

David Miller, Mayor

ATTEST:

Danielle Filmore, Interim Acting City Clerk