

City of Leesburg
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City Councilmembers

Jim Quinn, Mayor
Richard Bush, Mayor Pro Tem
Billy Breeden Bob Wilson
Judy Powell Rufus Sherman
Jason Renfroe

City Staff

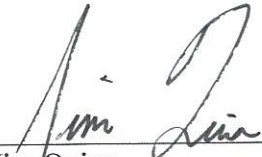
Bob Alexander, City Manager
Bert Gregory, City Attorney

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
Mayor Jim Quinn called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. The City Manager and the City Attorney were present along with all the Councilmembers except for Councilmember Wilson.
2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
3. **PUBLIC HEARING**
4. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - (A) City Manager Bob Alexander presented the accomplishments the City has made since the last Retreat May 20, 2017 that included improvements in Recreation, Downtown, Councilmember Concerns and Infrastructure Projects.
 - (B) Bill Powell with the Georgia Rural Water Association presented a Business Plan for the City of Leesburg's Water and Wastewater system. Councilmember Powell made a motion to adopt the recommended rates for water and wastewater as prepared by the Georgia Rural Water Association to take effect in six months and to revisit the Plan with the assistance of Mr. Powell yearly for at least the next 3 years. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Renfroe. The motion passed unanimously.
 - (C) Ken Ricket and Steve Hart with Ellis, Ricket and Associates Architects discussed the need for a Downtown Strategic Master Plan if the City of Leesburg was to proceed with an application for a Rural Zone Designation with the Department of Community Affairs. Councilmember Powell made a motion for Ellis Ricket and Associates Architects to proceed with the Downtown Strategic Master Plan with an estimated cost of \$40,000. Councilmember Breeden seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - (D) Tom Sumner and Ken Ricket discussed the history and potential for a Multipurpose Agricultural Center at the 100-acre Recreation site. There was a consensus from the Council to continue to develop plans for a Multipurpose Agricultural Center.
 - (E) The following are some of the community issues Councilmembers expressed during meeting. Mayor Quinn was concerned about Code Enforcement and the proliferation of signs on the ROW. Councilmember Powell suggested Leesburg become a City of Ethics with the Georgia Municipal Association. Councilmember Renfroe was concerned about the condition of some of the buildings in the Downtown area. Councilmember Breeden suggested some of the TSPLOST funds be used to finish the sidewalks along US 19.
 - (F) Chief Prokesh discuss his 5year vision of the Leesburg Police Department. He discussed redeveloping the internal structure of the department including the Command Staff, Training Division, Investigative Division and a Marine Unit as a priority.
5. **CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS.**

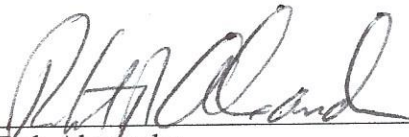
- 6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS
- 7. GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES
- 8. COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER
- 9. OLD BUSINESS
- 10. CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS
- 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION
- 12. PUBLIC FORUM
- 13. ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 14. ADJOURNMENT

Next Scheduled Meeting is April 2, 2019.

Councilmember Powell made a MOTION to adjourn. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.



Jim Quinn
Mayor



Bob Alexander
As ex officio City Clerk