

City of Leesburg
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City Councilmembers

Billy Breeden, Mayor
Judy Powell, Mayor Pro Tem
Richard Bush Rufus Sherman
Jason Renfroe Amanda White
David Daughtry

City Staff

Bob Alexander, City Manager
Bert Gregory, City Attorney

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Mayor Breeden led the pledge and Councilmember Sherman led the prayer. The City Manager and City Attorney and all Councilmembers were present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Breeden asked for a motion to approve the minutes from April 4, 2023. Councilmember Daughtry made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Bush seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

3. PUBLIC HEARING**4. NEW BUSINESS**

(A) Mike Talley with FlintRiver Consulting discussed the proposed Storm Water Ordinance Revision. Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion to approve the ordinance revision. Councilmember Renfroe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(B) Finance Director Cheryl Allison discussed the renewal terms for property and liability insurance from the Georgia Interlocal Risk Management Agency (GIRMA). The renewal amount is \$110,374. Councilmember White made a motion to approve the liability insurance policy. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(C) Wes Ehlers with TruVista requested to use additional conduit available under the Norfolk Southern Rail line to extend the Broadband Element that is a required component in the Comprehensive Plan. Councilmember Renfroe made a motion to approve the use of the conduit providing that TruVista would obtain a permit from Norfolk Southern Rail line and if the broadband were to stopped being used TruVista would remove the cable. Councilmember Bush seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

5. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS.

(A) The Finance Director Cheryl Allison presented the Monthly Financial Report and indicated everything was within Budget.

(B) City Manager Bob Alexander presented an Update on City Projects.

(C) The City Manager discussed the Joint Public Hearing required for the Comprehensive Plan Update.

(D) The Finance Director discussed the new phone service that will be installed by Master Telecom LLC, a subsidiary of Verizon.

(E) The City Manager discussed the Georgia Rural Water Association meeting May 9 -11.

(F) The City Manager discussed participating with Lee County to paint lines and install signs on Park St.

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

7. **GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES**

The City Manager discussed the unofficial minutes of the Downtown Development Authority.

8. **COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER**

Mayor Pro Tem Powell discussed the GMA District 10 Proposed Ballot. Councilmember Sherman made a motion to approve the Ballot. Councilmember Renfroe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Pro Tem Powell discussed the May 9th Graduation Reception Honoring our Junior Leadership Lee Academy Graduates.

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

10. **CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS**

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

12. **PUBLIC FORUM**

13. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Joint Public Hearing Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at 5:30pm in the Opal Cannon Auditorium of the T. Page Tharp Governmental Building.

Next Scheduled Council Meeting is May 2, 2023, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember White made a motion to adjourn. Councilmember Renfroe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.