

City of Leesburg
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City Councilmembers

Billy Breeden, Mayor
Judy Powell, Mayor Pro Tem
Richard Bush Rufus Sherman
Jason Renfro 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 August 1, 2023. Councilmember Bush made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

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

(A) Accountant Hope Pendergrass, CPA with Mauldin & Jenkins presented the City of Leesburg Financial Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2022 and the Auditor's Discussion and Analysis. Ms. Pendergrass said the City is in good financial shape.

(B) Engineer Matthew Inman with Advanced Engineering Services Presented an Update Downtown Master Plan. Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion to approve the Downtown Master Plan. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(C) Finance Director Cheryl Allison and financial consultant Elaine Kent with Local Consulting Services discuss the City's reserved funds and recommend utilizing Ameris Bank to deposit excess reserve funds. Councilmember Bush made a motion to utilize Ameris Bank for the City's Reserve Funds. Councilmember Sherman Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(D) City Manager Bob Alexander discussed Leesburg Methodist Church illuminated sign request. Mr. Alexander recommended the illuminated sign be approved since this is part of the Downtown Area. Councilmember Daughtry made a motion to approve the illuminated sign. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous except for Mayor Pro Tem Powel abstaining.

(E) Mayor Pro Tem Powell discussed the nomination for the Lee County Board of Health. Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion to table the nomination. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

(F) City Manager Bob Alexander discussed the Quit Claim Deeds between Leesburg Church of Christ, Inc. and the City of Leesburg for the purpose of paving a parking lot and alley. Councilmember White made a motion to approve the Quit Claim Deeds. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

5. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS.

(A) 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 Comprehensive Plan meeting September 19, 2023 at 10:00 AM at City Hall.

(D) The City Manager discussed the invitation to Attend the Lee County High School Distinguished Alumni functions.

6. **DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

7. **GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES.**

8. **COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER**

9. **OLD BUSINESS**

10. **CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS**

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion to go into executive session to discuss real estate matters. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Councilmember White made a motion to come out of the Executive session. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion that no action was taken and that the minutes be approved. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

12. **PUBLIC FORUM**

13. **ANNOUCEMENTS**

Next Scheduled Council Meeting is October 3, 2023, at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

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