# City of Leesburg

# City Hall, 107 N Walnut Avenue, Leesburg, GA 31763 229-759-6465

City Councilmembers
Billy Breeden, Mayor
Judy Powell, Mayor Pro Tem
Richard Bush
Jason Renfroe
David Daughtry

City Councilmembers
Rufus
Rufus Sherman
Amanda White

City Staff
Bob Alexander, City Manager
Bert Gregory, City Attorney

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Breeden called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The City Manager, City Attorney and all Councilmembers were present except Councilmember Renfroe. Mayor Breeden led the pledge and led the prayer.

# 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) Mayor Breeden asked for a motion to approve the minutes from September 20, 2023. Councilmember Bush made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

#### 3. PUBLIC HEARING

# 4. NEW BUSINESS

- (A) Mayor Breeden signed a Proclamation for Careers in Construction Month.
- (B) Engineer Chad Griffin with Still Waters Engineering presented bids for the CDBG Pecan Sewer Project. Councilmember Daughtry made a motion to approve the low bid from RPI Underground, Inc. with a Base Bid of \$491,434.00. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (C) City Manager Alexander presented the bids for the Parking Lot Paving on Putnam Street. Councilmember Bush made a motion to approve the bid from Jim Boyd Construction for \$167,711.50. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (D) Finance Director Cheryl Allison presented the engagement letter from Mauldin and Jenkins for the upcoming FY 2023 audit. The fee for these services will be \$21,000 plus an additional \$5,250 for each major program performed as part of the Single Audit. Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion to approve the bid. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (E) City Manager Alexander presented a proposed SPLOST VIII Project List for discussion at the Joint Lee County, City of Smithville and City of Leesburg scheduled for October 10 at 5:00PM. Councilmember Daughtry made a motion to approve the SPLOST VIII Project List. Councilmember Bush seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (F) Finance Director Cheryl Allison presented the proposed Millage Rate of 4.673 for 2023 taxes and the Resolution. Councilmember White made a motion to approve the Resolution to set the 20213 Millage Rate. Mayor Pro Tem Powell seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (G) Councilmember Amanda White was nominated to serve on the County Health Board. Mayor Pro Tem Powell made a motion to approve the nomination. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Daughtry. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (H) The City Manager Alexander presented the 2023 Annual Report.
- (I) Councilmember White made a motion to proceed with the paperwork to acquire the strip of land belonging to Marc Graber that is part of the parking lot that will be part of the overall

- downtown master plan. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.
- (J) Councilmember White made a motion to renew the City Managers Contract and give him a raise of 5% retroactive to July 1, 2023. Councilmember Daughtry seconded the motion. The vote was unanimously approved.

#### 5. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS

- (A) The Finance Director presented the Monthly Financial Report and indicated everything was within Budget.
- (B) The City Manager Alexander discussed the scheduled meeting between Lee County and City Official for the purpose of SPLOST VIII October 10, at 5pm.

# 6. <u>DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS</u>

### 7. GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES.

#### 8. COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER

#### 9. OLD BUSINESS

#### 10. CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS

## 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Councilmember White made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss real estate and personnel matters. Councilmember Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Councilmember White made a motion to come out of Executive Session. Councilmember Daughtry Seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous. Councilmember White 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 November 7, 2023 at 6:00 PM in Council Chambers.

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

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