

City of Leesburg
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City Councilmembers

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

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 lead the pledge and Mayor Pro Tem Sherman lead in the Prayer. All Councilmembers, City Attorney and City Manager were present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mayor Breeden asked for a motion to approve the minutes from July 7, 2020. Mayor Pro Tem Sherman made a motion to approve the minutes. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

3. PUBLIC HEARING

4. NEW BUSINESS

- (A) Lee County's Chief Appraiser Dennis Lee discuss the property reevaluation process that was about to start in Lee County and the City of Leesburg. No action was taken.
- (B) Water and Waste Water Superintendent Russ Ferguson discussed the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) Award by the Federal Emergency Management Agency. The total approved cost is \$355,879 with a federal share of \$266,909, state share of \$35,588 and a local share of \$53,382. Councilmember Powell made a motion to approve the Grant. Councilmember Bush seconded the motion. The motion was unanimous.
- (C) City Manager Bob Alexander discussed the Intergovernmental Agreement Between Lee County Utilities Authority and the City of Leesburg relating to the Provision of Water Services by the City of Leesburg as to real property located in Lee County. Mayor Pro Tem Sherman made a motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- (D) The City Manager discussed the GDOT FY 2021 Local Maintenance & Improvement Grant (LMIG) Program in the amount of \$38,930 with local matching funds of at least 30 percent. It was recommended to resurface Peach St. from Blue Springs Dr. to SR 32 at an estimated cost of \$76,550. Councilmember Bush made a motion to approve the LMIG resurfacing project. Mayor Pro Tem Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- (E) The City Manager discussed the Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) Grant Agreement between the State of Georgia and the City of Leesburg. The City of Leesburg's Phase One eligible funding amount is \$159,922, with an advance of \$47,977. Councilmember Powell made a motion to approve the Grant. Councilmember Renfroe seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.
- (F) Barbara Reddick the Deputy Director for the Southwest Georgia Regional Commission discussed the Department of Community Affairs Rural Zone Designation Application Grant. Councilmember Powell made a motion to approve the Grant Application. Councilmember White seconded the motion. The Vote was unanimous.

5. CITY MANAGER'S MATTERS.

- (A) Financial Report – The City Manager discussed the Financial Report of the General Fund and the Water & Sewer Fund and indicated that both funds are within budget for the year.
- (B) Engineering interviews for the Downtown TAP project has been completed and we should present the firm at our next meeting.

6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**7. GOVERNMENTAL BOARDS/AUTHORITIES**

- (A) Councilmember Wilson expressed that he felt the City should have been officially notified by the County that they were going to use the Senior Center, since the City owns it. He said he was glad that it was being used.

8. COUNCIL MEMBER'S MATTER**9. OLD BUSINESS****10. CITY ATTORNEY'S MATTERS****11. EXECUTIVE SESSION****12. PUBLIC FORUM****13. ANNOUCEMENTS**

Next Scheduled Meeting is September 1, 2020

14. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Bush made a motion to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Sherman seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.