

**AGENDA MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL, 501 W MEADOW STREET
MONDAY, JANUARY 8, 2024 5:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City of Leesburg Commission held its annual organizational meeting on Monday, January 8, 2024, at Leesburg City Hall. Mayor Burry called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. with the following members present:

Commissioner Allyson Berry
Commissioner Jay Connell
Commissioner Mike Pederson
Commissioner Alan Reisman
Mayor Jimmy Burry

Also, present were City Manager (CM) Al Minner, City Clerk (CC) J. Andi Purvis, City Attorney (CA) Grant Watson, the news media, and others.

INVOCATION

Mayor Burry gave the invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

2. ELECT MAYOR

Mayor Burry stated he was very fortunate to have worked with some classy people this year. They accomplished a lot of things for the City of Leesburg. He went back and watched the Lakefront TV State of the City Address again and, except for the cheesy acting in the beginning and the end, if you look at all the information provided in the middle, we got a lot done. We will get more accomplished this year. He was proud of all the commissioners. He was lucky to be a part of this. He thanked them all for allowing him to be mayor. He then handed the gavel over to the city manager for the election of mayor and mayor pro-tem.

Commissioner Pederson nominated Commissioner Burry as Mayor. **CM Minner** asked if there were any other nominations. There were none.

The nomination was unanimously approved.

3. ELECT MAYOR PRO-TEM

Commissioner Pederson nominated Commissioner Connell as Mayor Pro-Tem. **CM Minner** asked for any other nominations. There were none.

The nomination was unanimously approved.

4. PRESENT PLAQUE TO OUTGOING MAYOR JIMMY BURRY

CM Minner presented Mayor Burry with a plaque in recognition of his leadership and dedication to public service as Mayor for 2023.

5. APPOINTMENTS

A. Commission Appointments for 2024

Personnel Committee: (Called as Required)

Commissioner Connell

Commissioner Berry

Lake Community Action Agency, Inc., Board of Directors:

Commissioner Berry, Representative

Mayor Burry, Alternate

Lake County League of Cities Board of Directors:

Commissioner Reisman, Representative

Commissioner Connell, Alternate

Florida League of Cities:

Commissioner Pederson, Representative

Commissioner Berry, Alternate

Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO):

Mayor Burry, Representative

Commissioner Reisman, Alternate

St. John's River Water Management District Liaison:

Mayor Burry

Florida Municipal Power Agency (FMPA):

Brad Chase, Electric Director, Representative

Al Minner, City Manager, Alternate

James Williams, Finance Director, Second Alternate

Florida Municipal Electric Association (FMEA):

Brad Chase, Electric Director, Representative

Al Minner, City Manager, Alternate

Florida Municipal Power Agency Policy Makers Liaison Committee:

Mayor Burry, Representative
Commissioner Pederson, Alternate

Leesburg Center for the Arts:

Commissioner Berry

REPRESENTATIVE APPOINTMENTS:

Commissioners appoint one representative to each of the following boards. The representatives appointed were:

Airport Advisory Board:

Commissioner Berry - Marvin King
Commissioner Connell - Darel Craine
Commissioner Pederson - Bo Wroten
Commissioner Reisman - Byron Oldham
Mayor Burry - Joel Hargis

Leesburg Public Art Advisory Board:

Commissioner Berry - Vonda Parker
Commissioner Connell - Gail Tyson
Commissioner Pederson - Vicky Murphy
Commissioner Reisman - Richard Colvin
Mayor Burry - Semeion Richardson

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board:

Commissioner Berry - Debra Dabney
Commissioner Connell - Clay Bell
Commissioner Pederson - Joanie Smalley
Commissioner Reisman - Jeff Sustarsic
Mayor Burry - Roger Croft

6. CITY MANAGER ITEMS

CM Minner had no items to address.

7. ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Berry had no comment.

Commissioner Pederson had nothing to comment on.

Commissioner Reisman had no items to address.

Commissioner Connell had no further comment.

Mayor Burry had nothing to address.

8. **ADJOURN:**
PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES NEEDING ASSISTANCE TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY OF THESE PROCEEDINGS SHOULD CONTACT THE HUMAN RESOURCES DEPARTMENT, ADA COORDINATOR, AT 728-9740, 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING.

F.S.S. 286.0105 "If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Commission with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, they will need a record of the proceedings, and that for such purpose they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based." The City of Leesburg does not provide this verbatim record.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. with a motion by Commissioner Reisman and a second by Commissioner Pederson.