AGENDA MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
CITY HALL, 501 W MEADOW STREET
MONDAY, JUNE 24, 2024 5:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City of Leesburg Commission held a regular meeting on Monday, June 24, 2024, at Leesburg City Hall. Mayor Burry called the meeting to order at 5:32 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. PROCLAMATIONS

A. Proclaim City of Leesburg Election for November 5, 2024

Mayor Burry read a proclamation proclaiming Tuesday, November 5, 2024, as the Municipal Election for the City of Leesburg.

3. PRESENTATIONS:

A. FLC University - Certificate of Completion - Institute for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO) to Commissioner Allyson Berry

Mayor Burry presented Commissioner Allyson Berry with her Certificate of Completion for Elected Municipal Officials (IEMO) from the FLC University.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

This section is reserved for members of the public to bring up matters of concern or opportunities for praise. Issues brought up will not be discussed in detail at this meeting. Issues will either be referred to the proper staff or will be scheduled for consideration at a future City Commission Meeting. Comments are limited to three minutes.

There were no public comments offered.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

Routine items are placed on the Consent Agenda to expedite the meeting. If the Commission/Staff wish to discuss any item, the procedure is as follows: (1) pull the item(s) from the Consent Agenda; (2) vote on remaining items with one roll call vote, (3) discuss each pulled item and vote by roll call

Commissioner Reisman moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented and Commissioner Pederson seconded the motion.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Reisman	Yes
Commissioner Pederson	Yes
Commissioner Berry	Yes
Mayor Burry	Yes

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the Consent Agenda, as follows:
(Each item has its coordinated resolution number listed below the header)

A. CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES:

1. None

B. PURCHASING ITEMS:

1. None

C. RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, ratifying the Collective Bargaining Agreement for Re-Openers with the Florida Police Benevolent Associations, Inc. for Officers/Detectives and Corporals/Sergeants; and providing an effective date.

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,839

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND NON-ROUTINE ITEMS:

A. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES

1. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida amending the City Code of Ordinances by amending Chapter 15, Article I, Section 15-16, entitled 'Sexual Offenders', to encompass amendments to Section 775.215, Florida Statutes; providing for severability; providing for conflicts; and providing for an effective date.

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 24-39

Commissioner Reisman introduced the ordinance to be read by title only. CC Purvis read the ordinance by title only.

Commissioner Reisman made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Berry seconded the motion.

Mayor Burry requested comments from the Commission and the audience. There were none.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Reisman	Yes
Commissioner Pederson	Yes
Commissioner Berry	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Mayor Burry	Yes

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission adopted the ordinance.

B. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES

1. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, annexing certain real property consisting of approximately 40.61 +/- acres; and being generally located north of North Shore Drive and west of Beverly Point Road, lying in Section 14, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida, providing that said property so annexed shall be liable for its proportionate share of the existing and future indebtedness of said city; providing that such annexed property shall be subject to all laws and ordinances of said city as if all such territory had been a part of the City of Leesburg at the time of passage and approval of said laws and ordinances; providing that such annexed territory shall be placed in City Commission District 5; and providing an effective date. (North Shore Caras Cove ANNX)

Commissioner Reisman introduced the ordinances 6.B.1, 6.B.2, and 6.B.3 to be read by title only. CC Purvis read the ordinances by title only.

Mayor Burry stated this property consisted of about eight lots. It would be relatively similar to what is on North Shore Drive. This will be located right across from the old Beverly Shores softball fields. He asked the city attorney to perform the swearing in. **CA Watson** asked anyone in attendance who wished to provide testimony or evidence to stand. He swore them all in.

Deputy Planning and Zoning Director (DPZD) Kandi Harper stated this project has gone through some controversy in the past. The applicant withdrew an extensive plan some time ago, and they are back with these eight houses. The largest portion of the property will be conservation because they cannot build on it. It is wetland. The property consists of forty-point six-one acres, and it will have eight single-family detached homes. The minimum lot size is ten thousand square feet. The lots will be ninety feet wide and one hundred and fifteen feet deep. This PUD includes dark sky lighting and thirty-five percent open space to include a tot lot and a playground with equipment. It is a standard PUD that has been significantly pared down from the original. They worked with staff and the community to come up with this plan. **Mayor Burry** asked if there were any questions from the commission and the public. There were none. This item will lay over.

2. **An Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Leesburg, changing the Future Land Use Map Designation of certain property containing 40.61 +/- acres from Lake County Urban Medium Density to City of Leesburg Conservation and Estate Residential, for a property generally located north of North Shore Drive and west of Beverly Point Road, lying in Section 14, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (North Shore Caras Cove SSCP)**

3. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, changing the zoning of approximately 40.61 +/- acres from Lake County C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) to City of Leesburg PUD (Planned Unit Development), for a property generally located north of North Shore Drive and west of Beverly Point Road; lying in Section 14, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (North Shore Caras Cove PUD)**

4. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, adding a PDO (Planned Development Overlay), with a waiver from Section 25-282 (a) (1) PDO five-acre minimum, to the existing R-2 (Medium Density Residential) zoning, on approximately 0.70 +/- acres to allow for an office use for a property generally located east of North 13th Street and south of Webster Street, lying in Section 24, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Webster Street Office PDO)**

Commissioner Reisman introduced the ordinance to be read by title only. CC Purvis read the ordinance by title only.

Mayor Burry requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

DPZD Harper stated this request was for a planned development overlay (PDO) in an R-2 medium density residential district. They want to add office space and similar uses to the underlying zoning. The property is located east of North 13th Street and south of Webster Street. It is just north of the trail on 13th Street across from the old bread store. It is approximately point-seven acres, and they are requesting a waiver of the five acre minimum. The land is currently undeveloped, and this would add uses that include offices which are consistent and appropriate with the overall development of the area. It will not create a negative impact on the surrounding properties. **Commissioner Berry** wanted to confirm that the property was located in district one. **DPZD Harper** agreed. **Commissioner Berry** asked about the types of businesses. **Bill Polk** said he needed to move his office and he would most likely build his office in this location. It all depends on the economy. **Mayor Burry** added there is commercial located across the street and next door. **Mr. Polk** agreed. Commercial surround the property. He does not want to build apartments even though there are some behind this. **Mayor Burry** asked if there were any other questions for the petitioner. There were none. He stated this item would lay over.

5. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, annexing certain real property consisting of approximately 49.12 +/- acres, and being generally located north of Poe Street and south of County Road 473, lying in Section 02, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; providing that said property so annexed shall be liable for its proportionate share of the existing and future indebtedness of said city; providing that such annexed property shall be subject to all laws and ordinances of said city as if all such territory had been a part of the City of Leesburg at the time of passage and approval of said laws and ordinances; providing that such annexed territory shall be placed in City Commission District 5; and providing an effective date. (ANNX Poe Road Subdivision)

Commissioner Reisman introduced the ordinances 6.B.5, 6.B.6, and 6.B.7 to be read by title only. CC Purvis read the ordinances by title only.

Mayor Burry requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

DPZD Harper stated this consists of 49.12 acres. It is generally located north of Poe Street and south of CR 473. There were discussions that pushed this first hearing back, and it came down to landscaping. The neighbor immediately to the west wanted bamboo, a certain kind of bamboo, but the soil was not appropriate for that. The minimum house size will be eighteen hundred square feet under the roof. There will be sixty-six fifty by one twenty lots, sixty-three sixty by one twenty lots and seven seventy by one twenty lots. This is a standard PUD. It will include thirty-five percent of open space. There will be a twenty-five-foot buffer tract along the north-south and western boundaries that includes a split rail or solid PVC fence. The applicants have worked with the property owners adjacent to them to work out what that buffer will be. The PUD includes dark sky lighting and the rest of the standard language. **Mayor Burry** asked if the applicant had anything to comment on.

A representative from Level Up Consulting, said he was there on behalf of Shawn Myers of Brightleaf Properties. He confirmed that there were discussions with the adjacent property owner, Randy Bidder. Their landscape architect went out to the site to look at the appropriateness of bamboo. Due to the characteristics of the soil being very dry and sugary, he recommended an alternative planting. On Page 7 of their presentation they proposed some native materials to plant there, and they are more substantial. He believes Mr. Bidder was pleased with that. They sent that alternate section to the city to be incorporated into the approval. **Mayor Burry** asked if there were any comments from the public.

Randy Bidder of 10155 Poe Street stated he had not been sworn in. **CA Watson** swore him in. **Mr.**

Bidder continued to say his property was located west of the property. Most of the area is rural in nature, which includes wildlife. This would be a huge change for him since he has seven acres and a single residential house. He expected that the land would stay nice and rural, but it was not. Thankfully, the planning and zoning department, as well as the developers, worked with him on the landscaping. Now, remember the developer will be gone in a matter of years, and it will be up to the homeowner's association to maintain the buffers. He would like as much enforceable language as possible to be put into the development plan, so when they get into a situation where the landscaping is deteriorating and nothing is left. He would like to know what he can do as a neighboring homeowner to make sure this type of landscaping stays there and is maintained. **Commissioner Pederson** asked if he cared about the type of fence they use, since that can deteriorate over time. **Mr. Bidder** answered that he would like the fence. They talked about fencing to the north. There would be a twenty-five-foot wide buffer zone and on the east side of that buffer zone there would be a six-foot vinyl fence which separates the backyard of the house. He would have his own fence on the west side of the buffer. There will be a neutral zone with irrigated planted species that will thrive in the Florida dry soil environment. **Commissioner Pederson** said he wanted to help him out. The landscaping would be fine, but for him the fence would be a problem five to ten years down the road. He wanted to give him a chance to waive that if he wanted to. **Mr. Bidder** explained that ideally a twelve-foot concrete turnpike barrier wall would be great. If they could make that happen, he would be happy.

Bill Polk of 600 Cascade Avenue asked if this was approved at the last meeting. **Mayor Burry** answered that this item was pulled at the last meeting because there was some language that needed to be changed. **Mr. Polk** said yes, that was the bamboo. **Mayor Burry** pointed out that this was the first reading of this item. **Mr. Polk** pointed out that Leesburg has a lot of fifty-foot lots. The developers can barely build on a fifty-foot lot. How can they plant a tree between them when there is only eight feet between them? Leesburg needs to be a really nice place with trees and everything else, so the only reason they want to do fifty-foot lots is to make the money work for them. The developers need to either ask for more money or stop building fifty-foot lots. He asked that the commission rethink having fifty-foot lots in the future. **Mayor Burry** asked if there were any other comments. There were none. He said this item would lay over.

6. **An Ordinance amending the Future Land Use Map of the Comprehensive Plan of the City of Leesburg, changing the Future Land Use Map Designation of certain property containing 49.12 +/- acres from Lake County Urban Low Density to City of Leesburg Estate Residential, for a property generally located north of Poe Street and south of County Road 473, lying in Section 02, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (SSCP Poe Road Subdivision)**

7. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, changing the zoning on approximately 49.12 +/- acres from Lake County CFD (Community Facility District) and R-6 (Urban Residential District) to City of Leesburg PUD (Planned Unit Development) to allow for a residential subdivision for a property generally located north of Poe Street and south of County Road 473, lying in Section 02, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (PUD Poe Road Subdivision)**

C. NON-ROUTINE ITEMS

1. None

7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:
The following reports are provided to the Commission in accordance with the Charter/Ordinances. No action required.

A. Financial reports as of March 2024

Mayor Burry asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the financial reports. There were none.

B. Financial Reports as of April 2024

8. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS:

CA Watson had no items to address.

9. CITY MANAGER ITEMS:

A. Consider Bikefest 2025

CM Minner stated he had a couple of items to discuss before considering Bikefest. First, they canceled the Electric Advisory Board meeting for tomorrow since they were unsure if there would be a quorum. Their next meeting will be held in August. Remember July is a busy month. They have three budget workshops scheduled for July 2nd, 9th and 11th. There is a special workshop on July 15th and two regular commission meetings scheduled for July 8th and 22nd.
The personnel committee held a meeting earlier today to discuss which questions should be used in the employee survey. The human resources department believes that a survey should come out in the next thirty to forty-five days. The human resources director and the deputy city manager will visit each department to get everyone up to speed and to encourage everyone to complete the survey. The survey will be conducted electronically.

He missed the personnel meeting due to a meeting with Cutrale. Cutrale is closing their doors and there are significant issues about jobs, general fund issues, and the building. The immediate issue for the city is the utility impact of not selling the bulk sales of gas as well as electricity to Cutrale. We have two separate agreements with them, but he would not go into all the details. The memos he has sent are up-to-date on this topic. With the commission's approval, he would like to have an overlay agreement where the city stops the bulk service for gas because Cutrale did not provide the city with a reasonable notice. We should not be held financially liable for any gap they may have while they sell their capacity of the Florida Gas transmission line. The reaction from Cutrale was that it seemed to be reasonable. Cutrale is working with FGU to find buyers for their capacity. It should be relatively easy, especially in the summer, since the big power companies are looking for capacity to transport gas regeneration. In any case, we do not want to be left holding the bag. Another issue that is a little sticky is the electric service agreement. They have a special agreement where they pay a discounted rate whether they generate or not generate. It is called the interconnection service agreement and it is rather complex. With Cutrale not doing their own generation, it will be in the city's best interest to see that the agreement expires. We need to call that agreement when they stop their interconnection activity or their generation activity. There were some initial conversations about doing that, and they would capitulate that their load would be of significantly different characteristics. It would closely match our general service or commercial customers. We need to ensure that the agreement dies. They can visit a different agreement if they ever open the doors back up. We also need to discuss some of the facilities that are left in our power plant, their transformers and some environmental issues. At the end of the day when they are on the city's normal general service customer, they need to be paying that rate versus a rate where there could be an argument for staying at the special rate they are at now. That is not in the city's best interest. The city attorney will be typing up the parameters of an agreement which we would like Cutrale to issue. Any decisions that are made will come back to the commission. If they have any detailed questions, give him a shout.

Now, looking at Bikefest. The consensus he received is that the commission wanted to move forward with Bikefest. At the last meeting, we visited the numbers, and he gave them a couple of weeks to kick around the concept of how we should move forward with alcohol sales. Essentially, there are two ways of doing that. If we contract the alcohol sales out and go with a private vendor, the delta on that is about fifty thousand dollars in savings or a potential break even. They could shift some liability, but to do that they need to do a formal RFP to request a service provider to provide the alcohol service. The other option is to do it like we did this past year with a couple of modifications. They would partner again with the Chamber. As far as the loss, that number showed about fifty thousand dollars and there were a couple of ways they could skin the cat for that loss. Remember the two big payout items were the fifty grand civic funding to the Chamber, and using the Bikefest money to support the Chamber. Plus, we were just south of about thirty-six thousand dollars and some changes that were paid to other civic organizations. Almost ninety thousand dollars of the budget went towards civic organizations. For the longest time, the concept of Bikefest was to capture the money and keep it internally. Now to confuse matters more, the city has pretty much always had a loss at Bikefest for in-kind services. There were some mechanisms where the Partnership paid the city a lump sum fee to help us with the in-kind services we provided. The specific in-kind services were overtime expenses, which cost about seventy grand. Since the inception of Bikefest, the city has always absorbed overtime costs in the general fund budget. It may leak out a little to solid waste and some of the other budgets, but typically the in-kind services cover cleaning up and public safety. Those numbers have always been in the budget, and we lived with it. The Partnership used to give us forty thousand dollars back to help cover those costs. It is arguable about rent and utilities and those types of things. We could skin the cat a million different ways, but that is a pretty high view of the situation. The special events manager needs to get started on Bikefest 2025 immediately and to do that she needs to know how the commission wants to proceed. They did not need to make a formal vote, but if there was a consensus on whether they wanted to go with the Chamber or start a new adventure. That is the direction they need.

Mayor Burry said Bikefest has always been our local event. He encouraged everyone to continue allowing the boy scout troops, the rotary club and whoever else we determine should be a part of Bikefest. They should have a little more hand in determining who will benefit by giving everyone an equal opportunity. Bikefest does so much for Lake County in general. We have to be behind that and if we are going to do it, he wanted the local folks to have a good cut rather than farming it out to whoever. **Commissioner Pederson** agreed. He noticed there were other groups like churches downtown charging people to park their bikes, and we do not see those numbers. There are other non-profit groups making money off Bikefest. **Commissioner Reisman** said the special events division and the Chamber did a wonderful job last year. He agreed they need to keep the local organizations because they make a profit from it. His only concern was about the fifty thousand dollars and if it rained during Bikefest. That would be horrible and God forbid it ever happened. However, there should be a sliding scale depending on how much money is made when the Chamber makes a certain amount. They would receive a set amount no matter what, but he would leave that to the city managers' discretion. If we hit certain numbers, they achieve certain thresholds. **Mayor Burry** asked if there were any other comments. **Commissioner Berry** said she was not opposed to a third party coming in, but she would like to know what that party would look like and what would be offered. Also, if possible, could we allow the Chamber to have the main tent and the other tents be handled by a third party? **CM Minner** answered that could be possible, but it would be cumbersome. He would pontificate that it makes it difficult because an outside professional agency will want the entire take. They will not want to give up part of that take. The thirty percent number that we came up with was from the provisional concept that was provided in the eleventh hour of last year. Our assumptions are based on what that company did and that is how we would formulate the request for proposal. That will be cumbersome because they will want to know which bar is being taken away and where it is located. They will want to know if that bar tent was the top sales producer. The argument goes both ways because the Chamber's position may be that they do not want that spot because it was not the greatest spot. It is doable, but he would prefer that they either go with the third party or stay with the Chamber. Splitting will be more cumbersome. It's not that it cannot be done, it just makes the job harder. **Mayor Burry** questioned how the liability would work on that. Who would be liable if there were more than one? Whose insurance covers if something happens? **CM Minner** added if there was an accident they may want to know where the alcohol came from. He appreciates creativity, but it will make things harder. **Commissioner Berry** said she was trying to figure out a better way of controlling alcohol. She likes the fact that other organizations benefit, but how are the organizations selected? It seems to be the same organization every time. Why don't we open it up to the bidding process or allow a lottery of some kind? Right now, that is not an option and when people come to ask about it, all the main spots are taken and there is no availability left. They are axed out, and the only thing they can do is park cars to try to make some extra money. It is good, but it is not the main dollar. **Commissioner Pederson** stated that in years past, this event was much larger and all the nonprofits were involved. The event had shrunk, but he was sure they could work through that and make everybody happy. **Commissioner Reisman** wanted to know if they were going to keep it on the same scale as last year, or will we make it bigger? **CM Minner** replied that it would most likely be the same scale. There would be some nips and tucks, but they would talk about that during the budget workshop. They are drafting a separate Bikefest budget. If we partnered with the Chamber there would be another agreement like we did this past year. If we go the Chamber route, we could have a multi-year deal and the Chamber would be open to that concept. The city would have some input on whom the beneficiaries are. He suggested keeping that at the city manager's level and not getting bogged down in picking groups. They can always yell at him at the end of the day if the wrong group is picked. If they entertain who the groups are, that will be a cumbersome process. They could also weave that into the agreement so we would have a little more hook than we did last year. **Commissioner Berry** stated they have not looked at the budget in detail about how they would roll it out this year. **CM Minner** responded that they saw detail, and it would be woven into the overall budget. **Commissioner Berry** inquired about the total price of the insurance. **CM Minner** replied it was about forty-eight thousand dollars. **Commissioner Berry** questioned if that would still come from the city. **CM Minner** answered yes. **Commissioner Berry** wanted to verify that the city would be liable. We would pay the Chamber fifty thousand dollars and disperse funds based on the organization and tips. **CM Minner** agreed. **Commissioner Reisman** said he had cautions about having a new organization run one of the big bars. Having the Chambers experience is huge in the big bars. If they open this up to new organizations, they should start with a smaller bar rather than one of the bigger bars. However, it is a good concept. **Commissioner Berry** mentioned that her thought was to have the Chamber run the big tent and the other third parties run the other bars. **Mayor Burry** asked if there were any other comments. **CM Minner** wanted to verify if the consensus was to have an outside vendor or stick with the same plan as last year. If the consensus was to stick with the plan, he would get with the Chamber to put together an agreement. That agreement will come back to the commission at a future meeting. **Commissioner Berry** asked if they were going to vote. **CM Minner** said he had the general direction and that direction was to

go with the Chamber. They will vote on the Chamber agreement.
Commissioner Berry replied that was not where she was going. **CM Minner** said it was not bifurcating like she wanted because that would be too difficult. **Commissioner Berry** wanted to be clear that they were not going to vote. **CM Minner** agreed. **Commissioner Pederson** pointed out if there are other nonprofit groups that want to be involved, they need to see the special events division so they can get in the loop right away. There used to be a lot of groups and one year they paid about one hundred and seventy-six thousand dollars to about fifteen or eighteen nonprofit organizations. **Commissioner Berry** said that was great. She was not against it. She was asking if this was moving forward.

CM Minner asked Sandy Moore of the Chamber, who was in the audience, if she wanted to split the tents. **Sandy Moore** of the Leesburg Area Chamber of Commerce responded there would be an issue with the liquor license because, in order to pull a liquor license for an event that allows people to walk from venue to venue, they have to get a license that covers the whole venue area. She was not aware if they could apply for separate licenses for each tent. That could be very tricky. They are open to entertaining other groups to run the tents for sure. For example, military veterans run a tent in the town square. They have been doing that for many years. They have it down to science, they know what they are doing. The whole aspect of the tent when serving alcohol is, the more you know, the more efficient you will be. Not only for the organization, but for the whole event. **Commissioner Berry** questioned if there would be any further discussions if they just went with the consensus. **CM Minner** agreed. He would bring a partnership contract back to the commission for their approval. **Commissioner Berry** inquired about the years for the contract. **CM Minner** replied that he was not sure about the years. That is to be determined. If she wanted to provide some feedback on the terms, that would be good. **Commissioner Berry** mentioned that she thought they would have some say. She knows what has been in the past, and she knows how successful Bikefest has been for many years. Last year was a great year, and she likes that organization's benefit from the tips and the fees. That is the purpose of it. However, we do not know what will happen by using a third party because we never tried it and that was her concern. **Mayor Burry** clarified that the concern about a third party is that there is no money going to the local charities. **Commissioner Berry** said she understood that. That is why we need to be more creative. We need to come up with other ways the organizations can make money from Bikefest. It was not just about pouring alcohol, because they could be doing something else. **CM Minner** pointed out that they heard the Chamber director say that she did not like the concept of splitting costs. If we go with the Chamber she wants all the tents. **Commissioner Berry** said she understood, but then they are getting all the money. **Commissioner Pederson** pointed out that the Chamber proved themselves last year. Plus, they used to run the events for the Partnership. They have a lot of experience and that was reflected in how smoothly the tents ran last year. If a new group goes there, we do not know how that will go. **Commissioner Berry** remarked that she was out there working last year, so she agreed. Her organization benefited very well. She was very thankful, but this needed a vote. **Mayor Burry** asked what she wanted to vote on. **Commissioner Berry** answered she would like to vote on whether to use a third party or to continue using the Chamber. **Mayor Burry** asked for a motion.

Commissioner Reisman made a motion to go with the Chamber under the perimeters discussed with a contract that will be brought back before the commission, and Commissioner Pederson seconded the motion.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Pederson	Yes
Commissioner Berry	No
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Reisman	Yes
Mayor Burry	Yes

Four yeas, one nay, the Commission approved the motion.

10. ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Reisman stated it was great to see everyone out at the Pine Street ribbon cutting. It was beautiful even though it was windy and tents were flying. The Star Spangled Spectacular will be held on July 4th and the baseball game starts at 5 pm. He hoped to see everyone out there.

Commissioner Connell had no comment.

Commissioner Berry had nothing to comment on.

Commissioner Pederson had no comment.

Mayor Burry said he received an email that included a monthly activity report from the deputy city manager. He really liked it. He asked if those reports could be included on the city website, so the public knows what is going on. It was concise, while not going into depth. It gave an idea of where the city is with things, and it hit all the departments. It had a nice touch. He would like to see those added to the website.

11. 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.

With a motion by Commissioner Reisman and a second by Commissioner Berry, the meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.