

**AGENDA MINUTES
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
VENETIAN CENTER, 1 DOZIER COURT
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2022 5:30 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The City of Leesburg Commission held a regular meeting on Monday, March 14, 2022, at the Venetian Center. Mayor Pederson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. with the following members present:

Commissioner Jimmy Burry
Commissioner John Christian
Commissioner Jay Connell
Commissioner Dan Robuck
Mayor Mike Pederson

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

INVOCATION

Mayor Pederson 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. None

3. PRESENTATIONS:

A. Employee Service Award Recognitions:

Five Years: Paula Fuglestad, Electric and Matthew Turner, Public Works

Ten Years: Markenia Lee, Electric

Fifteen Years: Aljanard Allen, Public Works

Twenty Years: Joe Mera, Fire

HRD Arriaga and CM Minner presented each employee with their service award in recognition of their years of service.

Commissioner Connell commented that he previously worked with Paula Fuglestad for about two years in the building department. Through his years of running the building department, she was one of the best permit technicians he ever had. She is a real asset to the City of Leesburg.

Mayor Pederson congratulated everyone and thanked them for their years of service.

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.

Joannie Smalley, Leesburg Partnership, thanked the mayor for coming out last week. They had the Florida Main Street Directors out there for three days. She also thanked the community for giving them a warm welcome. It was a great time and they appreciated it. She also gave kudos to the crew out at Sleepy Hollow. They held a college softball tournament over the weekend. It rained horribly on Saturday and that crew had the field ready to go. They had all the fields ready for play by four o'clock on Saturday. There were no other fields ready to go other than those in the whole group that Allison Strange is doing. So, they deserve big kudos because they worked really hard out there.

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

Items pulled for discussion:

5.C.5 = Execution of an agreement with Sunrise Kiwanis.

Commissioner Christian moved to adopt the Consent Agenda except for **5.C.5**, and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Mayor Pederson	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. Regular meeting held February 28, 2022

2. **Special Meeting - Interviews of Potential Law Firms for City Attorney held February 23, 2022**
3. **Special Meeting - Interviews of Potential Law Firms for City Attorney held February 21, 2022**

B. PURCHASING ITEMS:

1. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Amendment with MSL, PA for financial audit services for an amount not to exceed \$71,000.00 per year; and providing an effective date.**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,042

2. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an Agreement with Stone & Gerken, P.A. for legal counsel services acting as the City's City Attorney; and providing an effective date.**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,043

3. **Ratification of a construction change order for work that has been completed with Bulldog Sitework, Inc. on the Picciola Road utility relocation for an amount of \$31,430.05.**

C. RESOLUTIONS:

1. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, accepting and approving a plat for Lone Oak Cemetery Addition #6, being a portion of Section 22, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida, and accepting and dedicating to the use of the public any easements or public places shown thereon as being dedicated to the public; and providing an effective date. (Lone Oak Cemetery Addition #6 Plat)**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,044

2. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, accepting and approving a plat for Villages of West Lake Unit No. 49, a subdivision of the City of Leesburg, Florida, being a portion of Section 06, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida, and accepting and dedicating to the use of the public any easements or public places shown thereon as being dedicated to the public; and providing an effective date. (Villages of West Lake, Unit No. 49 plat)**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,045

3. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, accepting and approving a plat for Bradford Ridge, a subdivision of the City of Leesburg, Florida, being a portion of Section 20, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and accepting and dedicating to the use of the public any easements or public places shown thereon as being dedicated to the public; and providing an effective date. (Bradford Ridge Plat)**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,046

4. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, accepting and approving a plat for Lake Griffin Preserve, a subdivision of the City of Leesburg, Florida, being a portion of Section 14, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and accepting and dedicating to the use of the public any easements or public places shown thereon as being dedicated to the public; and providing an effective date. (Lake Griffin Preserve Plat)**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,047

6. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, granting an amendment to an existing Utility Easement to DUKE ENERGY FLORIDA, LLC., a Florida Limited Liability Company, d/b/a DUKE ENERGY for the perpetual right, privilege, and easement to install, operate and maintain in perpetuity, such Facilities as may be necessary or desirable for providing electric energy to the Turnpike Wastewater Treatment Facility; and providing an effective date.**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,048

5. **Resolution of the City Commission of the City of Leesburg, Florida, authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to execute an agreement with Sunrise Kiwanis; and providing an effective date.**

ADOPTED RESOLUTION 11,049

Commissioner Christian introduced the resolution to be read by title only. CC Purvis read the resolution by title only.

Commissioner Robuck made a motion to adopt the resolution and Commissioner Christian seconded the motion.

Mayor Pederson requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

Commissioner Christian wanted to know how much we use the concession stand facility because, in Part B, it states that the city will furnish the utilities, regular pest control, the building and maintenance and cleaning. It says that we will maintain and clean the entire building. Why would we be cleaning the interior of the building if we are not using it? **CM Minner** replied that the city does not use the building. This is an historical agreement that we have gone back to. It was in place prior to Covid. When covid hit, the folks from Kiwanis did not want to use the concessions. Now that it has lessened, they are ready to start again. **Commissioner Christian** remarked that he was familiar with that. He wanted to know why we would be cleaning the building if we are not using it. **Recreation Director (RD) Travis Rima** stated that with the actual cleaning we would be cleaning the score tower. The city cleans the score tower and all the other rooms which are a part of that tower. We do not clean the concession stand. If it is worded like that in the contract, we need to change that. We only do the pest control because it is part of the overall building. **Commissioner Christian** wanted to clarify that we do use the score area. **RD Rima** replied all the time. **Commissioner Christian** verified that what we clean are areas that we use. **RD Rima** responded yes.

Commissioner Christian asked about the twenty-five percent that we get from the district tournament. We do not get anything from the regular season, correct? The only thing we receive is from the district tournament. **RD Rima** replied that the Kiwanis' sponsor a team, which is three hundred dollars for the regular season. Every other year, if we are lucky, we will get to host the district tournament. If we do, we will receive twenty-five percent of their gross revenue. Hopefully, this year it will be our turn to host the

tournament. **Commissioner Christian** wanted to confirm that if we did not host the district tournament all the city would get is three hundred dollars. **RD Rima** agreed. **Commissioner Christian** wanted to verify that this was how it has been done in the past. **RD Rima** replied yes. This is just for the baseball side of it. That part has not changed. We removed the football side of it because there is more to it. They make more money, and they give more. This is strictly for the baseball side. **Commissioner Christian** wanted to be clear that if we do not hold the district tournament, the only thing the Kiwanis will give to the City of Leesburg is the three hundred dollar sponsorship for a team and they will have exclusive rights to the concession stand. Do we have any idea how much money is being made throughout the baseball season through that concession? **CM Minner** replied that they could make anywhere between twenty-five hundred and five grand. **Commissioner Christian** stated that it states three thousand dollars for the sponsorship. For the district tournament, it is twenty-five percent of post-tax revenue. If we do not host the district tournament, then we get zero dollars except for the three hundred dollars for the sponsorship. **CM Minner** said that was the original deal. When the city was providing the concessions during Covid we made somewhere between twenty-five hundred to five thousand dollars. **RD Rima** stated that for baseball we profited about fifteen hundred dollars. **CM Minner** stated that we would be giving up about twenty-five hundred dollars. **Commissioner Christian** said it just does not seem like an applicable number to have exclusive rights to baseball all year long. Plus, if we do not have the district tournament, we get zero. **CM Minner** added that it is not a huge number. You are giving up about twenty-five hundred dollars to the Kiwanis Club versus that going into the recreational programming. **Commissioner Robuck** pointed out that if we cut this, they would just come in here and ask for the money because they are another nonprofit organization.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS AND NON-ROUTINE ITEMS:
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN INFORMATION SIGN-UP SHEET (YELLOW)
AVAILABLE**

A. SECOND READING OF ORDINANCES:

- 1. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, annexing certain real property consisting of approximately 41.69 +/- acres, and being generally located east of County Road 44 and north of Seng Road, lying in Section 01, 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 1; and providing an effective date. (Hills at Leesburg AX)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-15

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Burry seconded the motion.

Mayor Pederson requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

Commissioner Robuck inquired if they should switch city attorneys at this point. **CM Minner** replied that for formality purposes we have to finish this meeting with McLin & Burnsed. At the next meeting on March 28th, Stone & Gerken will start.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

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 41.69 +/- acres from Lake County Rural Transition to City of Leesburg Estate Residential, for a property generally located east of County Road 44 and north of Seng Road as legally described in Section 01, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Hills at Leesburg SSCP)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-16

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

3. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, changing the zoning on approximately 41.69 +/- acres from Lake County R-1 (Rural Residential) to City PUD (Planned Unit Development) to allow for a single-family residential subdivision for a property generally located east of County Road 44 and north of Seng Road, as legally described in Section 01, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Hills at Leesburg PUD)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-17

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Burry seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

4. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, annexing certain real property consisting of approximately 3.95 +/- acres; and being generally located west of U.S. Highway 27 and east of County Road 33, lying in Section 11, Township 20 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 3; and providing an effective date. (Leesburg C-Store and Gas Station AX)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-18

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Burry seconded the

motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

5. **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 3.95 +/- acres from Lake County Urban Medium Density to City of Leesburg General Commercial, for a property generally located west of U.S. Highway 27 and east of County Road 33 as legally described in Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Leesburg C-Store and Gas Station SSCP)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-19

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

6. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, changing the zoning on approximately 3.95 +/- acres from Lake County RMRP (Mobile Home Rental Park District) and Lake County CP (Planned Commercial District) to C-3 (Highway Commercial) to allow for a gas station and convenience store for a property generally located west of U.S. Highway 27 and east of County Road 33 as legally described in Section 11, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Leesburg C-Store and Gas Station RZ)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-20

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

7. **An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, annexing certain real property consisting of approximately 33.25 +/- acres; and being generally located south of Poe Street and east of Radio Road, 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 1; and providing an effective date. (Troon Creek Preserve AX)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-21

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

Commissioner Robuck made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Christian seconded the motion.

Mayor Pederson requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

PZD Miller requested that when they reach the PUD section of the Troon Creek Preserve, staff needs to make a change. There was a typo under the PUD, Exhibit A, Section 4.D.1.E, which says a minimum lot depth of one hundred and twenty feet. It was agreed upon, back in November, that it would be one hundred and fifteen feet. It still meets the minimum lot size requirement. That typo was just in the PUD.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Christian	Yes
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Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

- 8. 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 33.25 +/- acres from Lake County Urban Low Density to City of Leesburg Estate Residential, for a property generally located south of Poe Street and east of Radio Road as legally described in Section 02, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Troon Creek Preserve SSCP)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-22

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

- 9. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, changing the zoning on approximately 33.25 +/- acres from Lake County A (Agriculture) to City of Leesburg PUD (Planned Unit Development) to allow for the development of a single family residential subdivision for a property generally located south of Poe Street and east of Radio Road, as legally described in Section 02, Township 19 South, Range 25 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Troon Creek Preserve PUD)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-23

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

Commissioner Robuck made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Christian seconded the motion.

Mayor Pederson requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

Commissioner Christian made a motion to amend the lot size to one hundred and fifteen feet and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

The roll call vote on the Amendment was:

Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

Five yeas, no nays, the Commission amended the motion.

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

- 10. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, annexing certain real property consisting of approximately 1.00 +/- acres; and being generally located north of West Main Street and west of CR-468, lying in Section 28, 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 3; and providing an effective date (Blackton AX).**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-24

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

Commissioner Robuck made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Christian seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

- 11. 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 1.00 +/- acres from Lake County to City of Leesburg General Commercial, for a property generally located north of West Main Street and west of CR-468 as legally described in Section 28, Township 19 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Blackton SSCP)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-25

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

Commissioner Robuck made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Christian seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Burry	Yes
Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

- 12. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, changing the zoning on approximately 1.00 +/- acres from Lake County R-6 (Urban Residential District) to City of Leesburg C-3 (Highway Commercial) to allow for commercial development for a property generally north of West Main Street and west of CR-468, as legally described in Section 28, Township 20 South, Range 24 East, Lake County, Florida; and providing an effective date. (Blackton RZ)**

ADOPTED ORDINANCE 22-26

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

Commissioner Christian made a motion to adopt the ordinance and Commissioner Robuck seconded the motion.

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

The roll call vote was:

Commissioner Robuck	Yes
Commissioner Connell	Yes
Commissioner Christian	Yes
Commissioner Burry	Yes
Mayor Pederson	Yes

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

B. FIRST READING OF ORDINANCES:

- 1. An Ordinance of the City of Leesburg, Florida, establishing the Lake Harris Community Development District pursuant to Chapter 190, Florida Statutes; providing for authority and power of the district; establishing the District; providing for the Board of Supervisors of the district; providing for the district budget; providing for functions of the district; providing for miscellaneous provisions; and providing an effective date. (Lake Harris CDD)**

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

Mayor Pederson requested comments from the Commission and the audience.

Commissioner Christian inquired as to where this was actually located. **CM Minner** replied that it was Eagle Terrace, McElyea.

Mayor Pederson stated that this item would lay over.

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. None**

8. CITY ATTORNEY ITEMS:

CA Smith stated he had no items to discuss tonight. However, on behalf of McLin & Burnsed, he stated that they have enjoyed representing the city since the 1980's. The city is getting ready to take on a new law firm, Stone & Gerken, which has equally amazing attorneys. He believes they will do a good job representing the city. They will always be available to help, if needed. He thanked the city for having them around for so long. Hopefully, they lived up to the expectations of the city over those years. **Mayor Pederson** thanked him for those comments.

9. CITY MANAGER ITEMS:

CM Minner had no matters for tonight.

10. ROLL CALL:

Commissioner Christian commented that on Saturday it was a little rainy, but it was a great day for Leesburg with the opening of the H.O. Dabney Aquatic Center. The mayor got wet, but it was a great day for Leesburg. He congratulated the staff and everyone who put in the work which made this come to fruition.

Commissioner Burry had no comment tonight.

Commissioner Robuck thanked McLin & Burnsed for all the great work they have done. They are truly a Leesburg institution and that was shown throughout the interviews. It seemed like over half the law firms had people who came up through McLin & Burnsed. They are now out with other firms doing great work. He thanked them and he appreciated all their service to the city. **CA Smith** thanked him for those words.

Commissioner Connell had no comment tonight.

Mayor Pederson had no comment tonight.

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.

The meeting adjourned at 5:59 p.m.