LEESBURG VILLAGE COUNCIL "SPECIAL MEETING" April 22, 2019

Mayor Freddie Snyder, Presiding

Mayor Freddie Snyder called the **special** session of the Leesburg Village Council to order on Tuesday, April 22, 2019 at 7:00 P.M. in the Leesburg Municipal Building. No invocation was given and Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Council Members Mr. John Michael, Ms. Shawn C. Priest, Mr. Chris Runyon, Mr. Morgan Sheppard, and Mr. Scott Willey. Mr. Richard Tolle was absent **Also present**: Fiscal Officer Tracy Evans. Police Chief Mr. Shane Nolley and Village Solicitor Fred Beery.

Also attending: Jennifer Thackston, Jerry Keplinger, Blythe Pelham, Ronnie Tolle, Steve Davis, Kenny Worley and Rita Smith-Daulton.

PURPOSE OF THE MEETING: Hear residents on closing Cheryl Street/Alley and vacation time for part-time employees.

Closing of Cheryl Street/Alley – Solicitor Beery stated the Village has three options: 1.) Vacate the street/alley and split the property down the middle giving it to the party on either side but this decision could be challenged; 2.)Oppose vacating the street/alley but this decision could also be challenged; 3.)Take no position.

Morgan Sheppard moved to keep Cheryl Street/Alley open, motion failed by having no second.

A lengthy discussion was had on the options available to Council and they authorized Solicitor Beery to file for a declaratory judgement.

*Shawn Priest moved and Morgan Sheppard seconded to authorize Solicitor Fred Beery to determine declaratory rights concerning the two alleys. Roll call vote 4-1 with Councilman Richard Tolle abstaining and Councilman John Michael being called out for a squad run before the vote. Motion carried.

Vacation time for part-time employees – After discussion by Council, it was decided that since the vacation time and sick time for part time police employees was originally implemented in November of 2018 to be effective January 2019, the Village has no officers eligible. Therefore, Council decided to remove the policy giving part-time police officer vacation and sick time. Solicitor Beery instructed Council they can do away with the policy if they choose to do so.

*Councilwoman Shawn Priest moved to do away with policy giving part-time police officers vacation and sick time and Scott Willey seconded. Roll call vote 5-0 (John Michael left early) Motion carried.

*Morgan Sheppard moved and Chris Runyon seconded to adjourn at 8:27. Roll call vote 5-0. Meeting adjourned.