

**Regular Council Meeting
January 22, 2009**

I. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor Marse called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of January 22, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor J. M. Marse, Council Members Jean Arrant, Ray Jackson and Mark Martin. Council Members Earl King and Charlie Simmons were absent. Staff present: City Attorney Clayton Adkinson, City Engineer Representative Charles Peters (PMA), Parks Director Shane Supple, City Planner Latilda Henninger, and City Clerk Robin Haynes.

II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

City Planner Latilda Henninger gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Marse stated that so many representatives attended on behalf of the WCEDA – he would move that item first to enable them to leave afterwards.

III. New Business

1. Dawn Moliterno – Walton County Economic Development Alliance

Ms. Dawn Moliterno presented a strategic plan for the new Walton County Economic Development Alliance. After a brief presentation, Ms. Moliterno requested approval of the WCEDA's strategic plan as submitted and requested approval of a three year agreement between the City and the WCEDA, with a funding request of \$3,600 per year for the three years. Councilman Martin motioned to approve the WCEDA's strategic plan as submitted and the three year agreement for funding \$3,600 per year for three years, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0.

2. Mayor Marse – Survey/design of Shipyard Road

Mayor Marse requested approval to hire Preble-Rish to survey and design Shipyard Road, utilizing the right of way areas that are currently not being used. Councilman Martin motioned to approve Preble-Rish surveying and designing Shipyard Road, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0.

3. Pay all bills in order

Councilman Martin motioned to pay all bills in order, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0.

IV. Approval of Past Minutes

Councilman Jackson motioned to accept the minutes of the regular Council meeting of January 13, 2009 as written, Councilman Martin seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0.

1. Planning Issues

Ms. Henninger presented a proposed amendment to revise the Owl's Head Development Planned Development project resolution which would include the following changes:

Acreage:	from 1,057 to 836 acres
Single-family detached units:	from 2,500-3,000 to 1,865 du (sf/mf)
Multi-family attached units:	from 500-1,000 to 1,865 du (sf/mf)
Total Maximum Units:	from 3,500 to 1,865 total du (sf/mf)
Maximum Office:	50,000 sf
Maximum Commercial:	100,000 sf
Hotel & Amenities:	250 rooms/40,000 sf accessory convention space
Golf Course with related uses, including Club House	

Mr. Buell Cobb, representing Owl's Head, stated that the proposed resolution merely removed the acreage still owned by Mr. Eddie Chandler. The proposal would include a 5.78 acre parcel within the town center for a hotel and convention center. The Freeport Planning Board and Staff recommended approval for the proposed resolution. Councilman Martin motioned to approve the resolution as presented, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0. Resolution #09-02 was adopted.

Ms. Henninger presented a re-zoning amendment request by Owl's Head to re-zone a 5.78 acre parcel, #25-1N-19-17000-001-0000 from R-1 (low density residential) to RC (residential commercial). Ms. Henninger requested to hold 1st reading and to advertise for adoption the proposed ordinance. Councilman Jackson motioned to approve 1st reading and advertisement for adoption at the council meeting of February 26, Councilman Martin seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0. Ms. Henninger read the proposed ordinance by title.

Ms. Henninger requested approval of a draft resolution submitting supplemental information to the Department of Community Affairs, even though Staff and Council disagree with the necessity to do so. Mayor Marse requested the transmittal letter to DCA be maintained with the proposed resolution as "Exhibit A". Councilman Jackson motioned to approve the proposed resolution, with the attached letter as "Exhibit A", Councilwoman Arrant seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0. Resolution #09-03 was adopted.

2. Legal Matters

No legal matters were presented.

3. Fire Department Report

No fire report was presented.

4. Parks Department Report

Shane Supple briefly discussed the following items:

- Tennis and basketball courts were completed
- Website is being built
- Discussed power bills with Peters Municipal Associates. Date compiled is not complete at this time
- Working on an agreement/monthly fee schedule with the Freeport Little League for the use of the ballfields at Freeport Regional Sports Complex

5. Engineer's Report

Mr. Charles Peters updated the Council on the following items:

- Discussed the power charges at the Freeport Regional Sports Complex. Has analyzed previous power bills at the park, and will analyze the

electrical plans to assist in determining how to break up the power between meters

- Equipment start up at the sewer plant was this week
- Reuse filter final inspection is set for next week

V. Old Business

1. Helton Memorial

Councilman Jackson motioned to name the new water department building the “Mike Helton Building”, Councilman Martin seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 3:0.

VI. Council Business Not On Agenda

None was presented.

VII. Public Business Not On Agenda

None was presented.

VIII. Adjournment

Councilman Martin motioned to adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

J.M. Marse, Mayor

Robin Haynes, City Clerk

Earl King, Council President