

**Regular Council Meeting  
February 25, 2010**

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Mayor Marse called to order the regularly scheduled meeting of February 25, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

Members present: Mayor J. M. Marse, Council members Elizabeth Brannon, Ray Jackson, Earl King, Mark Martin and Charlie Simmons. Staff present: City Attorney Clayton Adkinson, Fire Chief Ben Greenslait, City Planner Latilda Henninger, Parks Director Shane Supple and City Clerk Robin Haynes.

**II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Approval of Past Minutes**

Councilman Jackson motioned to accept the minutes of the regular scheduled council meeting of February 9, and the council workshop of February 4, 2010 as written, Councilwoman Brannon seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**1. Planning Issues**

**A. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption - Comprehensive Plan update**

Councilman King motioned to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of the proposed ordinance for the comprehensive plan update (capital improvements element) as presented, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0. Ms. Henninger read the ordinance by title and ordinance #2010-01 was adopted.

**B. Approval request – Hammock Bay pods 15 and 16**

Ms. Henninger requested approval of Hammock Bay, pods 15 and 16, a project consisting of 178 single-family residential homesites on 60.56 acres on parcel #17-1S-19-23000-001-0000. Councilman King motioned to approve the project as presented, Councilman Simmons seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**2. Legal Matters**

**A. 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption – annexation ordinance/Owl’s Head DOT ROW**

Councilman Simmons motioned to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and adoption of the proposed ordinance as presented, Councilwoman Brannon seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0. Attorney Adkinson read the ordinance by title and ordinance #2010-02 was adopted.

### **3. Fire Department Report**

Chief Greenslait presented his monthly report which included call responses and fire hydrants maintenance performed.

### **4. Parks Department Report**

Shane invited all council members to the opening ceremonies of the Dixie Youth League on Saturday, March 6, 2010 beginning at noon.

#### **A. Approval request – price quotes/storage shed**

Councilman King motioned to approve gathering price quotes for the construction of a storage shed, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

#### **B. Approval request – price quotes/batting cages**

After short discussion regarding the feasibility of moving the batting cages behind City Hall, or purchasing new ones, Councilman King motioned for Shane Supple to collect prices for the construction of new batting cages at the Freeport Regional Sports Complex and bring to the Council at a later date, Councilman Martin seconded. There was no additional public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

### **5. Engineer's Report**

Angie Jay with Preble-Rish gave the Council a short update on the loan/grant submittal package going to Rural Development. Council should have the draft document to review at the next Council meeting.

### **III. Old Business**

None was presented.

### **IV. New Business**

#### **1. Approval request - grant applications/ Industrial Park**

Mr. Bill Arnett, representing the Walton County Economic Development Alliance requested approval for the WCEDA to submit two grant applications on behalf of the City of Freeport for the development of phase II of the Industrial Park. Councilman Martin motioned to approve the grant applications, Councilwoman Brannon seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**2. Approval request – Electrical upgrades/surge protection for pool complex**

Ms. Haynes presented two quotes for upgrading the electrical surge and grounding protection at the pool complex:

Palmer Electric Construction	\$6,794.00
Samm Electrical	\$4,005.00

Two other companies had been contacted, but would not quote the job due to the nature of the work requested.

Councilman King motioned to approve the electrical work as quoted by Samm Electric for \$4,005.00, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**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 5:0.

**V. Council Business Not On Agenda**

None was presented.

**VI. Public Business Not On Agenda**

Mr. Tom Coffee, representing the U.S. Census Bureau, requested Council help spread the word about the opportunity for local residents to apply for part time, temporary work with pay up to \$12.00 per hour and mileage reimbursement.

**VII. Adjournment**

Councilman Martin motioned to adjourn at 8:05 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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J.M. Marse, Mayor

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Robin Haynes, City Clerk

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Earl King, Council President