

Regular Council Meeting
April 11, 2006

Mayor Marse called to order the regular scheduled meeting of April 11, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Mayor J.M. Marse, Council members Ray Jackson, Mike Helton, Earl King and Charlie Simmons were present. Council member Jean Arrant was absent. Also present: City Attorney Clayton Adkinson, City Planner Latilda Henninger, and City Clerk Robin Haynes.

Councilman Helton gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Councilman Jackson motioned to accept the minutes of the regular council meetings of March 14, 2006 and March 23, 2006 and the special council meeting of March 30, 2006 as written, Councilman Helton seconded the motion, the motion carried 4-0.

Latilda Henninger presented the following planning items:

Final Plats:

Requested approval of the final re-plat of Magnolia Bay Estates Phase II. Councilman Helton motioned to approve the re-plat, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Requested approval of the final plat of Palmetto Place Phase II subject to payment of outstanding impact fees. Councilman King motioned to approve the final plat, subject of payment of the outstanding fees, Councilman Simmons seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Requested approval of the final plat for Marina Village Phase I, subject to plat being updated by the surveyor. There will be no signatures on the plat until the correction has been made. Councilman Helton motioned to approve the final plat, with signatures being held until correction is made, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Clayton Adkinson had no legal issues to report.

Charles Peters had no engineering report to submit.

Mayor Marse announced that the Freeport Recreation Board would hold it's first meeting on Monday, April 17, 2006 at 6:00 pm at the Freeport City Hall.

New business:

Councilman King motioned to adopt a Water Conservation Resolution requested by AWWA to proclaim April as Water Conservation Month, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Councilman King motioned to approve Clerk Haynes attending the Florida Association of City Clerks conference in June of 2006, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Councilman Jackson motioned to approve Planner Henninger attending the Florida APA conference in September 2006, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Councilman Jackson motioned to declare the abandoned well sites in Villa Tasso and Choctaw Beach as surplus property, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0. The property will be advertised for bid.

Ms. Diane Jackson spoke on behalf of the Town Planters. She requested approval to landscape the Old Post Office property. Councilman Simmons motioned to allow the Town Planters to landscape the Old Post Office, Councilman King seconded. Mayor

Marse requested that they choose their plants wisely. There was no other public or council discussion, the motion carried 4-0.

Ms. Jackson updated the public and council on upcoming events:

- Arbor's Day is April 28, the Town Planters will plant a tree at the Freeport Fire Station on April 22.
- The Town Planters would like to take over the upkeep of the Triangle after the construction of traffic light is complete.
- Invited everyone to attend the Town Planters meetings held the 1st Tuesday of the month at the Old Post Office.

Mayor Marse announced the Florida League Summer Dinner will be held May 19, 2006, RSVP with Clerk Haynes by April 20, 2006.

Councilman Simmons presented a draft budget and five year plan for the Freeport Fire Department. He requested assistance from council with numbers prior to submitting it to Walton County. He requested a workshop, council set workshop on April 19, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

Councilman Simmons asked Clayton Adkinson if fire impact fees could be re-designated to recreation funds at a later date. Mr. Adkinson advised him that a separate impact fee for recreation would need to be addressed if a need arose.

Councilman Simmons asked for clarification on a memo he received from Walton County regarding interlocal agreements pertaining to Walton County's Concurrency Management System and Proportional Fair Share Program. Ms. Henninger informed council that she felt Peters Municipal was doing an excellent job for the City with concurrency issues and felt no need to participate in an interlocal agreement. Mr. Adkinson suggested council request Walton County to submit the mentioned agreement and discuss at an upcoming council meeting. Ms. Haynes was asked to gather the information for the council

With no other business, Councilman Helton motioned to adjourn at 8:00 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

J.M. Marse, Mayor

Robin Haynes, City Clerk

Earl King, President of Council