

**Regular Council Meeting  
September 13, 2011**

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Mayor Marse called to order the regularly scheduled council meeting of September 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m.

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

**II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**\*\* 1<sup>st</sup> TRIM/Budget Hearing\*\***

Councilman King motioned to set the tentative millage rate at the roll back rate of 4.73, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

Councilman Simmons motioned to set the tentative budget for 2011-2012 at \$3,715,410, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

Councilwoman Brannon motioned to set the 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing and final budget adoption meeting for Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 7:00 pm, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**III. Approval of past minutes**

None were presented.

**1. Planning Issues**

None were presented

**2. Legal Matters**

None were presented.

**3. Fire Department Report**

No report was given.

**4. Parks Department Report**

No report was given.

**IV. Old Business**

**1. Interim Financing resolution/North Bay Phase II**

Councilman Simmons motioned to approve the proposed resolution for the issuance of bond anticipation notes not to exceed \$1,455,000 for the North Bay Phase II expansion project as presented, Councilwoman Brannon seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0. Resolution #2011-06 was adopted.

## **2. Energy Audit contract/AMEC**

Councilman Jackson motioned to approve the proposed contract for energy audit services to AMEC for \$9,500, subject to approval by the Department of Energy, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

## **V. New Business**

### **1. Fee waiver request**

Councilman King motioned not to waive the rental fees on the community center for the Friends of Walton County Animal Shelter, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

Council agreed to table the fee waiver request for the community center for the Town Planters until the next regular council meeting.

### **2. Pay all bills in order**

Councilman Taunton motioned to pay all bills in orders, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

## **VI. Council Business Not On Agenda**

Mayor Marse requested council approval to request prices for the second phase of the well house for well #2 (to move and set up control system for the well), rather than place entire project out for advertisement and bid. Council agreed, Councilman King requested he get at least three bids.

## **VII. Engineering Proposal Presentations**

Mayor Marse requested each participant limit their presentation to ten minutes. Any questions by Council would be asked after the presentation. Each participant was asked which of their field offices would be servicing Freeport, for purposes of the evaluations.

The following firms made presentations:

Baskerville-Donovan, Inc. from Panama City Beach  
CDG Engineers & Assoc. from Dothan  
Fabre Engineering & Surveying from Westville  
Garver from Destin  
Hatch Mott MacDonald from Panama City of Freeport  
Praestare Engineering from Dothan  
And Preble-Rish from Freeport/Santa Rosa Beach

No additional questions were asked by council.

**VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

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