

Regular Council Meeting  
November 14, 2006

Mayor Marse called to order the regular scheduled meeting of November 14, 2006 at 7:00 pm.

Members Present: Mayor J.M. Marse, Council members Jean Arrant, Mike Helton, Ray Jackson, Earl King and Charlie Simmons were present. 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 meeting on October 10, 2006 and the council workshop on November 2, 2006, Councilman Helton seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Ms. Henninger presented the following planning items:

Requested approval for second reading and adoption of the Proportionate Fair Share Ordinance. Councilman King motioned to approve second reading and adoption of the proposed Proportionate Fair Share ordinance, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0. Ms. Henninger read the ordinance by title and ordinance #06-27 was adopted.

Ms. Henninger presented council with a list of current applications being held for annexation and a map of where each parcel was located by quadrant. Council took no action.

Attorney Adkinson requested approval for first reading of an ordinance to annex 160 acres located on parcel #36-1N-19-17000-002-0000 and to advertise the proposed ordinance for adoption. Councilman Helton motioned to hold first reading and advertise for adoption the proposed ordinance, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Mr. Tonny Peters presented the following engineering items:

Requested a motion to proceed on a proposal presented to council to update the City of Freeport's water model at an hourly rate not to exceed \$20,000. Councilman Jackson motioned to approve the request to update the City's water model, Councilman Helton seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Requested a motion to proceed on developing a step plan for upgrading the City's wastewater treatment plant, to be completed in phases, as growth would demand. Councilwoman Arrant motioned to approve the request to develop a step plan for upgrading the wastewater treatment plant, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Reminded the council that the current wastewater treatment plant operating permit expires in September 2007. Peters Municipal Associates is currently in the process of updating the permit to include reuse quality effluent. Mr. Peters requested approval to combine the two permit renewal applications together. Councilwoman Arrant motioned to approve the combination of the two operating permits, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Old Business:

Councilman King motioned to approve a resolution amending the barge port rates from \$.50 per ton to \$.75 per ton if loaded directly to a truck, and \$1.00 per ton if loaded to the ground first, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0. Resolution #06-21 was adopted.

New Business:

Mayor Marse informed the council that Commissioner Brannon had agreed to set the base to pave Joe Campbell Road with the City paying for two-thirds of the cost of the

asphalt and the County paying for one-third. Council approved the agreement to split the cost of the paving. Councilman King motioned to approve the City proceeding with the paving of Joe Campbell Road in the event the county does not proceed, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Marse reminded council and audience that the groundbreaking ceremony for the new City Hall was on December 11, 2006 at 11:00 am.

Clerk Haynes requested council to extend the waiver of \$2,000 of the sewer impact fee for the outside City limit customers on Bayloop Road. Councilwoman Arrant motioned to approve the waiver of \$2,000 of the sewer impact fee for outside City limit customers on Bayloop Road until the end of the year, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Councilwoman Arrant motioned to cancel the regular scheduled council meeting of November 23, 2006 due to it falling on Thanksgiving Day, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Councilman King told council that he had received a quote on having a metal building installed on the property where Well #3 was located for the water department. He would like to move the water department office and storage space to a larger facility. Councilman Jackson motioned to proceed with requesting bids for a water department metal building, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Councilman Helton motioned to pay all bills in order, Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Marse announced that Clerk Haynes had attended a workshop in St. Augustine and had returned with a large check for \$650,000 for the CDBG sewer and park project.

Mayor Marse reminded everyone that the Christmas Tree Lighting was on December 1 at 6:00 pm.

With no other business, Councilman Helton motioned to adjourn at 7:35 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, President of Council