

**Regular Council Meeting  
July 9, 2013**

**I. Meeting Called to Order**

Mayor Marse called to order the regularly scheduled council meeting of July 9, 2013 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, Parks Director Shane Supple, Fire Captain Thomas Palmer, Water Operator Ben Lewis and City Clerk Robin Haynes. Anna Hudson was present representing Preble-Rish.

**II. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance**

**III. Approval of past minutes**

Councilman Taunton motioned to approve the minutes of the regular council meetings of June 27, 2013 as presented, Councilman King seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

*\*\*Meeting was recessed at approximately 7:15 pm for the election canvassing board to convene. The meeting was continued at 7:40 pm.*

**1. Planning Report**

No planning report was given.

**2. Legal Matters**

No legal matters were discussed.

**3. Fire Department Report**

No fire report was given.

**4. Parks Department Report**

Shane Supple gave a brief update on the completion of the batting cage construction and the state baseball tournament beginning the next weekend.

**5. Engineering report**

No engineer's report was given.

**IV. Old Business**

No old business items to present.

**V. New Business**

- 1. 2013 TRIM compliance**
  - A. Request 1<sup>st</sup> public hearing**
  - B. Proposed millage rate for DR420**

Councilman Jackson motioned to table the TRIM compliance items until the next regular scheduled council meeting, Councilman Taunton seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**2. Request budget workshop**

Councilman Jackson motioned to table scheduling the budget workshop until the next regular scheduled council meeting, Councilman Simmons seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**3. Approval request – budget amendment #4**

Councilman King motioned to approve the proposed budget amendment #4 as presented:

Water fund income:	FCS option renewal (contract terminated)	\$450,000.00
Water fund expenses:	Capital outlay (SCADA/well monitoring)	\$200,000.00
	Capital outlay (TBD at budget workshops)	\$250,000.00
Total change to budget:	\$450,000.00	

Councilman Jackson seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

**4. Pay all bills in order**

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

**VI. Council Business Not On Agenda**

Latilda Hughes notified the council that the DEO (Department of Economic Opportunity) has requested the City expedite the Military Sustainability portion of Freeport’s EAR based amendment to the Land Development Code for transmission and review.

Councilman Taunton motioned to approve the first public hearing for the Military Sustainability portion of the EAR based amendment to the Land Development Code at the council meeting of August 13, 2013 and the second public hearing at the council meeting of August 22, 2013, Councilman Simmons seconded. There was no public or council discussion, the motion carried 5:0.

Robin Haynes asked if the joint meeting between the Freeport City Council and the Walton County Board of County Commissioners scheduled for July 16<sup>th</sup> should be rescheduled. After brief discussion, it was decided that the meeting should not be cancelled.

**VII. Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

**VIII. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Robin Haynes, City Clerk

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Russ Barley, Mayor

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Janice McLean, Council President

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