

FREEPORT PLANNING BOARD

January 6, 2009 Meeting Minutes
7:00 p.m. City Hall Council Room

The meeting convened at 7:20 p.m., due to Hooks arriving late, assuring a quorum.

Board members present: Greg Free, Harold Taunton Jr., Jan Hooks.

Members absent: Chris Weeks (out of town), Ronnie Brannon (sick)

Staff present: Latilda Henninger, City Planner/board liaison; Clay Adkinson, Board Attorney; Al Wilson, City Clerk.

I. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hooks.

II. Invocation / Pledge of Allegiance

The invocation was given by Henninger, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

III. August 5, 2009 Meeting Minutes Read/Approved

Motion by Free, seconded by Taunton to approve the August 5, 2009 Planning Board meeting minutes as read. All ayes; motion carried.

IV. Items before the Board

1. Capital Improvements Element Update/Comprehensive Plan Amendment

The Capital Improvements Update/Amendment was presented by Bill Compton. Compton, a senior planner with West Florida Regional Planning Council, was introduced to the Board by Henninger.

Compton explained to the Board the purpose of the Capital Improvements Element; to evaluate the need for public facilities in support of the Comprehensive Plan; estimate the costs of improvements for which Freeport has fiscal responsibility; analyze the fiscal capability of the City of Freeport to finance and construct improvements; and adopt financial policies to guide the funding and construction of improvements. The capital Improvements Element focuses on capital outlay required to meet existing deficiencies and to maintain the adopted Level of Service (LOS) standards for the public facilities identified in the Comprehensive Plan. In addition to this standard information, the Capital Improvements Element has to be updated in several specific ways: population projections; addition of information regarding public school facilities and water supply and an update of the Goals, Objectives and Policies for the Capital Improvements Element to include policies pertaining to the 10-Year Water Supply Facilities Work Plan and the Walton County School District 2008-2009 Five Year Work Plan.

Motion by Free, seconded by Taunton to recommend approval of the Capital Improvements Update/Comprehensive Plan Amendment to the City Council. All ayes; motion passed.

V. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Free, seconded by Taunton. All ayes; meeting adjourned.