

**CITY OF FREEPORT**  
**AUGUST 27, 2015 WORKSHOP NOTES**

**I. Meeting Opened**

The August 27, 2015 Workshop was opened at 6:01 pm by Mayor Russ Barley. The workshop was held in the Council Chambers of Freeport City Hall.

Council members present: Councilman Eddie Farris, Councilwoman Kasey Cuchens, Councilwoman Janice McLean, Mayor Russ Barley, Councilwoman Elizabeth Brannon and Councilwoman Jennifer Laird.

Staff present: City Clerk Gary Mattison, Parks Director Dana Weiler and City Engineer Anna Hudson.

**II. Invocation and Pledge**

The Invocation was given by Councilman Farris, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**III. 2015-2016 Budget**

Mattison: introductory remarks pertaining to the budget.

Cuchens: water income is down.

McLean: looking at a potential budget number of \$4,394,000.

Mattison: One idea would be to place parks & Rec, Streets, Fire Assessment and Admin. under Admin.

Cuchens: \$1,559,427 water income.

McLean: Hold the millage rate where it is.

Farris: I have some sidewalk projects that need to be funded.

McLean: we may need to spend some money.

**IV. Dan Owens – Financial Information**

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Owens referred to Sec. 218 (415) Status of Investments. He stated that based on a cursory review, the City was in strong financial shape. And that the City should have a financial plan. Owens stated that there are opportunities out there for cities, with a written plan of action. He stated that he would try to meet with each of the council in the coming weeks.

**V. Meeting Adjourned**

Mayor Barley called for a motion to adjourn. Councilwoman McLean motioned to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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City Clerk