

City of Freeport
BUDGET WORKSHOP MINUTES
July 16, 2020

1. Meeting Called to Order

The Budget Workshop was called to order at 5:30 pm in City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Barley.

Council members present: Amanda Green, Mayor Russ Barley, Eddie Farris, and Mark Martin.

Staff present: Sara Bowers, Latilda Neel and Charlie Simmons.

Mayor Barley remarked that (new City Clerk) Malani would start of Monday.

2. 2020-2021 Budget

Mayor Barley turned the meeting over to Finance Officer Sara Bowers

Bowers presented the following:

- List of potential dates for budget hearings:
 - 1st Hearing on Tuesday September 8, 2020 at 5:05 pm
 - 2nd Hearing on Monday September 21, 2020 at 5:05 pm
- Millage: to remain the same
- Discussion of timelines and process
- Resolution for capacity fee rates does not account for CPI

The Council and staff discussed the rates and issues with explaining the fees to citizens.

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- Next budget meeting: capital improvement projects and salaries.

Director Simmons remarked that Planning needs a deputy director. The new budget would have a Facilities Manager who could also conduct some site inspections for Planning. Simmons also noted that the Parks Budget is being decreased and that amount that would cover both positions.

The Council discussed the parks and other city property.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments.

4. Adjournment

Mayor Barley adjourned the workshop at 6:21 pm.

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Mayor

ATTEST



City Clerk