



City Council

City Council Chambers ♦ 230 West Stephenson Street ♦ Freeport, IL 61032

AGENDA REGULAR MEETING Monday, December 6, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance led by Alderperson Klemm

National Anthem by David Wubbena

Public Hearing

A public hearing to approve a proposed property tax levy increase for the City of Freeport, County of Stephenson, State of Illinois for fiscal year beginning on May 1, 2010 and ending on April 30, 2011 will be held on December 6, 2010 at 6:00 pm in Council Chambers, City Hall, 230 West Stephenson Street, Freeport, Illinois. Any person desiring to appear at the public hearing and present testimony to the taxing district may contact Meg Zuravel, City Clerk, 230 West Stephenson Street, Freeport, Illinois or phone 815-235-8203.

- The corporate and special purpose property taxes extended or abated for 2009 were \$2,563,403.
 - The proposed corporate and special purpose property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$3,140,954. This represents a 22.53% increase over the previous year.
 - The property taxes extended for debt service & public building commission leases for 2009 were \$0.
 - The estimated property taxes to be levied for debt service & public building commission leases for 2010 are \$0. This represents a 0% change over the previous year.
 - The total property taxes extended or abated for 2009 were \$2,563,403.
 - The estimated total property taxes to be levied for 2010 are \$3,140,954. This represents a 22.53% increase over the previous year.
-

1. Approval of Agenda.....Voice Vote

2. Approval of Minutes.....Voice Vote

- Minutes of the regular meeting held on November 15, 2010
- Consideration of release of portions of Executive Session minutes dated August 2, 2010

3. Public Comments – Agenda Items (*limited to 3 minutes per person*)

4. Consent Agenda.....Roll Call

All items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be enacted in one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered as the first item after approval of the Consent Agenda. [Consent Agenda PDF](#)

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

Monday, December 6, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

- A. Approval to receive and place on file:
 - 1) Police Department Report on Activities through October 2010
- B. Approval of Water and Sewer Bills Payable (Registers #477) --- \$64,674.59
- C. Approval of Payroll for pay period ending November 20, 2010 --- \$398,926.62
- D. Approval of Finance Department Bills Payable (Registers #474, 475, 476, 478, 480) --- \$580,086.21

If applicable – Items removed from Consent Agenda

5. Communications to Council - [Communication PDF](#)

- A. City of Freeport Holiday Schedule for Calendar Year 2011
- B. Regular Meetings of the Freeport City Council for Calendar Year 2011
- C. Memorandum dated December 1, 2010, from Duane Price, Finance Department regarding six months financial results for the City of Freeport
- D. Memorandum dated December 3, 2010, from Linda Buss, City Treasurer and Treasurer for Freeport Police and Fire Pension Fund regarding required reporting to municipality by the Freeport Police Pension Fund and the Freeport Fire Pension Fund as of April 30, 2010 Fiscal Year End

6. Appointments – [Appointment PDF](#)

- Appointment of Nicole Bauer to the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees effective immediately through May 31, 2013.
- Appointment of Sally Hoak to the Housing Authority Board effective immediately through October 31, 2015.
- Appointment of Connie Witte to the Historic Preservation Commission effective immediately.

ORDINANCES – SECOND READING

7. [2nd Reading of Ordinance #2010-50](#): An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2010, and Ending April 30, 2011 for the City of Freeport, County of Stephenson, and State of Illinois – [PDF of Minutes from 2009-2010 Tax Levy](#)

The first reading of this ordinance was held on November 15, 2010. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Corbin, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. The ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.

8. [2nd Reading of Ordinance #2010-51](#): An Ordinance for the Levy and Assessment of Taxes for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2010, and Ending April 30, 2011 for the Public Library of the City of Freeport, County of Stephenson, and State of Illinois

The first reading of this ordinance was held on November 15, 2010. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Endress, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. The ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.

9. [2nd Reading of Ordinance #2010-52](#): An Ordinance Amending Chapter 893 (Motor Fuel Tax) of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Freeport

The first reading of this ordinance was held on November 15, 2010. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Endress, seconded by Alderperson Klemm. The ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

Monday, December 6, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

10. **2nd Reading of Ordinance #2010-53:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 1242 (Administration, Enforcement and Penalty), Section 1242.01 (Building and Demolition Permits) to Amend Title of Building Code; Section 1242.06 (Variances) to Repeal and Replace the Standards for Granting Variances; Section 1242.07 (Special Permits) to Repeal and Replace the Standards for Granting Special Permits; Section 1242.09 (Standards for Granting Applications) to Repeal the Section; Section 1242.11 (Expiration of Authorization) to Delete Language Referring to the Community Development Committee; Section 1242.12 (Variations, Permits, Planned Developments and Amendments) to Amend Application and Notice Requirements

The first reading of this ordinance was held on November 15, 2010. A motion to adopt was given by Alderperson Klemm, seconded by Alderperson Corbin. The ordinance was automatically laid over to tonight's meeting.

ORDINANCES –FIRST READING

11. **1st Reading of Ordinance #2011-01:** An Ordinance Amending Chapter 806 (Alcoholic Liquor Sales), Section 806.13 “Transfer of Licenses” of the Codified Ordinance of the City of Freeport

The ordinance was recommended to the Freeport City Council by the Liquor Commission in their meeting held on November 10, 2010. Presented by Mayor George Gaulrapp, Liquor Commissioner

RESOLUTIONS

12. **Resolution #R-2010-80:** Resolution Authorizing Vehicles Lease Agreement Between the City of Freeport and Pretzel City Transit, LLC – Vehicle 11 and Vehicle 12

Presented by Community Development Director Shelly GriswoldRoll Call Vote

OTHER

13. Department Head Reports

Community Development

Finance

- RFQ's for Property and Casualty Liability Coverage
- Authorization to Release Funds for Property and Casualty Liability Coverage

Public Works

Library

Water and Sewer/City Engineer

Fire

Police

14. Mayor's Report

15. New Business

AGENDA - REGULAR MEETING

Monday, December 6, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

16. Public Comments – Agenda or Non-Agenda Items (*limited to 3 minutes per person*)

17. Executive (Closed) Session Pursuant to Illinois Open Meetings Act 5 ILCS 120/2 (c) (11) – Pending Litigation

18. Adjournment

The City of Freeport, in compliance with the American with Disabilities Act, requests that persons with disabilities who require certain accommodations to allow them to observe and/or participate in the meeting(s), or have questions about the accessibility of the meeting(s) or facilities, should contact Human Resources at 815-235-2065 promptly to allow the City to make reasonable accommodations.