



CITY OF FREEPORT

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April 6, 2015 – Meeting Minutes

An emergency meeting of the Freeport City council was convened at 8:37pm at the location of Hennen Lumber Co. by Mayor Rodney Atkinson with Councilmembers Mike Eveslage, Ken Goebel, Tim Hennen, and Ben Ettle present.

The meeting was called to discuss the concerns of Clerk-Treasurer, Mason Schirmer's actions. Roll-call taken by Councilmembers to state their presence and they understood the rules of an emergency meeting: Atkinson-yes, Eveslage-yes, Goebel-yes, Hennen-yes, Ettle-yes.

Hennen stated the reason for the meeting was because Councilmembers had been informed that Mason Schirmer, Clerk-Treasurer had gone through Administrative Assistant's emails, printed them off and gave them to a Freeport citizen. Council expressed concern for the security of Freeport City Hall.

Atkinson explained the activities that happened at Freeport City Hall on April 3, 2015 at 4:15pm. Atkinson, Hennen, a staff member, and a technology professional went to Freeport City Hall to make back-ups of the server. For security purposes they felt this needed to be done, since procedure to do so had not been followed. Atkinson stated the back-ups that were done were still being held at Scott Dymoke's law office.

It was suggested that they locks on City Hall be changed and that no one have a key, but instead keys would be dropped off at the outside safety deposit at the Freeport Credit Union and Freeport City Hall would be closed until Thursday's Special City Council Meeting. It was also discussed that Mason Schirmer, Clerk-Treasurer be placed on Administrative Leave until Thursday's Special City Council Meeting.

Eveslage moved to changed City Hall locks as soon as possible, seconded by Hennen and Ettle simultaneously. Roll-call: Ettle-yes, Eveslage-yes, Hennen-yes, Goebel-yes, Atkinson-yes.

A phone call was made to Locksmith Al Ernst who agreed to be at Freeport City Hall at 6:00am Tuesday, April 7, 2015 to change the locks and drop them off at the Freeport Credit Union.

Hennen moved and Ettle seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 5-0. Meeting adjourned at 8:57.

Rodney Atkinson, Mayor

Adrianna Hennen, Acting City Clerk