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September 5, 2017 – Meeting Minutes

A special meeting of the Freeport City Council was convened at 7:00pm by Mayor Rodney Atkinson with Councilmembers, Tim Hennen, Jake Renneker, Mike Eveslage and Ben Ettle present.

Staff in attendance: Clerk-Treasurer Adrianna Hennen, Deputy Treasurer Joan Wall, and Public Works Director Loren Goebel

Others in attendance:

Andrea Ramacher & Vernon Fuchs (720 1st Ave N)

Sacred Heart Parish Update

Council directed A. Hennen to send the potential sign contents to the Parish for their input. Council also decided to remove "No children under 5 years of age without a parent" from the sign. Council agreed they will make decisions about the other items at the regular September meeting.

2018 Budget

Budget items the council addressed:

- Budgeting money for 2018 newly elected official training.
- Removing \$2,000 from the budget dedicated for purchasing road salt.
- Budgeting \$1.00/hour raises for employees.
- Budgeting \$72,000 towards the street improvement fund.
- Budgeting \$30,000 toward new main street lights.
- Discussion was had regarding starting a preservation fund for the old water tower.
- Council wants to know when the end date for the Swany Tiff ends.
- Keeping an eye on water/sewer rates to make sure we are going to hit our targets or that may have to be reassessed.

Adjourn

Ettle moved to adjourn at 8:30, seconded by Renneker. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor, Rodney Atkinson	City Clerk-Treasurer, Adrianna Hennen