



FREEPORT PLANNING BOARD

April 6, 2011 Meeting Agenda
7:00 p.m. City Hall Council Room

Board members present: Jan Hooks, Chris Weeks, Ronnie Brannon, Eddie Farris

Board members absent: Greg Free (working out of town)

Staff present: Latilda Henninger (City Planner), Clay Adkinson (Board Attorney)

- I. Meeting Called to Order by Jan Hooks (Chair)
- II. Invocation by Latilda Henninger/ Pledge of Allegiance
- III. January 5, 2011 Meeting Minutes Read/Approved

Motion by Chris Weeks, seconded by Ronnie Brannon, to accept the January minutes as presented. All ayes; motion carried.

- IV. Land Development Code Language Revision re : Animal Regulations

City Planner Henninger presented the proposed revised language of Section 3.03.17 of the Land Development Code:

3.03.17 Animal Regulation

~~Domestic livestock are defined as~~ It is prohibited to keep any domestic animals including hooved and cloven hooved animals such as horses, swine, cattle, goats, sheep, and similar species; and any domestic fowl such as chickens, geese, ducks, guinea fowl, peacocks, and similar species, and any exotic animals such as ostriches and llamas., ~~within any area of the City of Freeport other than those areas zoned RA, rural agricultural or RR, rural residential.~~

~~It is the intention of this ordinance to prohibit all domestic and barnyard animals from being kept in non-rural residential or agricultural areas of the City, including any such animals not specifically set forth above. It is not the intention to prohibit the keeping of~~ Household pets are defined as dogs, cats, parrots, parakeets, canaries and other such household pets and are not subject to regulations pertaining to domestic livestock when maintained. not prohibited above, in accordance with applicable ordinances; and in such fashion as to not constitute a



business operation (commercial kennel, breeder, or aviary) or a nuisance.

The keeping of domestic livestock as an agricultural use is allowed in all land use categories with the exception of the Conservation land use category, under the following conditions:

- A. No domestic livestock is allowed within platted subdivisions other than those specifically designed with accommodations for domestic livestock or covenants and restrictions which allow domestic livestock.
- B. Domestic livestock must be kept in a fenced area and must not interfere with neighboring properties, i.e. excessive noise or offensive odors, and must not create a nuisance condition, as defined in Ordinance 96-1.
- C. The keeping of domestic livestock is subject to compliance with all local, state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to agricultural use.

Board Attorney Adkinson suggested a revision to Item C, to read as follows: “The keeping of domestic livestock is subject to compliance with all local, state and federal laws and regulations pertaining to agricultural uses.”

Motion by Ronnie Brannon, seconded by Chris Weeks to recommend approval with Attorney Adkinson ‘s revision (shown highlighted).

V. Adjournment

Motion by Chris Weeks, seconded by Ronnie Brannon, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.