



May 16, 2017 - News for You



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Town Council Meeting

Public Hearing on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets

June 6, 2017

6:30 p.m.

Town Council Chambers

A full listing of upcoming Town meetings and agendas is available on the Town's website at:



Close to the Coast Race & Family Fun Day at Winslow Park Saturday, June 17th

You don't want to miss this year's Family Fun Day & Close to the Coast Race on Saturday, June 17th.

The Race starts at 9:00 a.m. with a whole host of festivities to follow ~BBQ, Games, Bouncy House and Refreshments. Live music begins at 10:00 a.m. with a performance by the *Muddy Ruckus*. For more information: 865-4198.



Winslow Park Thursday Evening Summer Concert Series begins July 6th at 6:30 p.m. with the *Coastal Winds Band*. This is a 50 piece woodwind band with fun popular tunes, traditional bandstand tunes and some military tributes. Perfect for the whole family.

Visit www.freeportmaine.com for a full list of summer events at the Park!



Tuesday, June 13, 2017
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Please note that the Town of Freeport will be holding an Election on Tuesday, June 13, 2017 at the Freeport High School Gymnasium. Polling hours are from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. Ballot questions include one *State referendum question* and the *RSU #5 Budget Validation*. Sample ballots are available on the Town website and at the Town Offices.

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Public Works Construction News:

South Freeport Village Reconstruction – The reconstruction of Middle Street, Park Street and Main Street in the South Freeport Village has begun as of Monday, May 15th. Residents should be prepared for delays while the project is in progress.



Work will start on South Freeport Road from Smelt Brook Road to Porters Landing, beginning Monday, May 22nd. Again, residents should be prepared for slight traffic delays while the work is in progress. If you have questions about either project, please contact the Public Works Department at 865-4461.

Recognition from US Attorney's Office:

The United States Attorney's office for the District of Maine recognized Officer Thomas Gabbard and the Freeport Police Department for their outstanding work in the case of United States v. Odong, and United States v. Richards, Dufault, and West, respectively. These cases were the Key Bank and Norway Savings Bank robberies that occurred in 2015.

Investigative work by Officer Gabbard in the Odong case tied the individual to four other robberies, and resulted in a conviction and a sentence of 14 years. Work by the Freeport Police Department and other agencies tied the three individuals to another bank robbery in NH, and resulted in convictions and sentences of 15 years for Richards, 36 months for Dufault, and 14.5 years for West in the Norway Savings Bank case.

Congratulations to Officer Gabbard and the Freeport Police Department for their hard work and recognition on both of these cases!

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Spring Cleanup 2017

The Entire Month of June
Wed-Fri (8:00 am – 4:00 pm)
Saturday (9:00 am – 4:00 pm)

Freeport residents will once again have the whole month of June to bring one free load of waste to the Recycling Center using the Cleanup Coupon contained in the Town mailer that residents will receive in their mailboxes this month. Residents will also be required to have a 2017 facility sticker (\$6.00) which can be purchased at the Recycling Center the day of disposal or can be purchased ahead of time (at the Recycling Facility and the Town Hall). As in years past, some material will have fees associated with them, so residents are encouraged to review their flyer for the list of acceptable items and fees.

For the past few years, volunteers helped manage the influx of donations helping to keep the Swap Shop organized. Their help was invaluable! It would be great to repeat that again this year. If you support the idea of reuse and can volunteer a few hours on a Saturday in June, please contact Suzanne Duplissis at 865-3740.



Memorial Day Monday May 29th

The parade takes place on Monday, May 29th, leaving Holbrook Street at 9:30 am, with the ceremony at the town park on Bow Street at 10 am. For more information, please contact Gloria DeGrandpre at (207) 232-6648 or GloriaD556@aol.com. And... plans are now under way for this year's **Fourth of July Parade**. Michelle Barker, Bath Savings, is the contact. Registration forms are available on the Freeport Community Services website at: www.fcsmaine.org.



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Operation Sticker Shock:

A collaboration between a Freeport High School health class and the Freeport Police Department occurred at several local beer/wine/liquor stores on Thursday, 04 May 2017. They participated in a program called "Sticker Shock" where stickers outlining the penalties for furnishing to minors are placed on alcoholic beverages. Chief Nurse joined Officer McManus and the group at Bow Street Market, supporting their efforts to inform the community about the dangers of underage drinking. The program is supported by Casco Bay C.A.N. (Create Awareness Now).



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Annual Open House
Saturday, June 3, 2017
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.



The Open House will provide an opportunity for residents and families to meet with the people responsible for maintaining the town's infrastructure and come face to face with the equipment used regularly, including dump/plow trucks, the excavator, bulldozer, loader, backhoe, sweeper, and sidewalk machine!



FMI:865-4461



Interested in volunteering for the Town?

The Appointments Committee is seeking residents interested in serving on any of the Town's Boards and Committees.

Currently a vacancy exists on the Planning Board.

Application forms are available at www.freeportmaine.com.



The issue that comes up most frequently for the Freeport Traffic and Parking Committee is speeding traffic and how to prevent drivers from exceeding the speed limit in our residential areas. Please remember that the safety of our families, friends and neighbors depend on each of us driving safely. Always try to give yourself enough time to make it to your destination safely. Life is not a race – take time to slow down!