



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

October 3, 2017

Volunteer Recognition Reception

6:00 p.m.

Regular Town Council Meeting

6:30 p.m.

Town Council Chamber

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

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2017 Citizen of the Year

Each year the Freeport Town Council presents a Citizen of the Year Award to honor those who have contributed substantially to the quality of the Town.

Nomination forms are available at the Town Office, the Freeport Community Library and can be found on the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com. Deadline for nominations for the 2017 Citizen of the Year Award is December 14, 2017.

Seasonal Flu Vaccination Clinic provided by CHANS

Monday, October 16th from 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Town Council Chambers

PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION BROWNTAIL MOTH CATERPILLARS

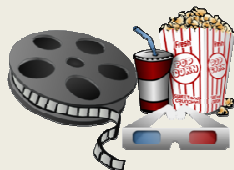
Wednesday, September 27, 2017
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m., Town Council Chambers

This will be a general information presentation focusing on:

- how to identify browntail moth caterpillars and overwintering webs;
- how to prepare and control for browntail moth caterpillars;
- precautions residents in affected areas should take.

Presenters: **Lynne Holland**, Community Education Assistant, University of Maine Cooperative Extension & **Rebecca Miller**, RN, MPH, Maine Health Educator, Northern New England Poison Center.

Free Movie Day at Nordica Theatre for Freeport residents will be scheduled soon. If you are a Freeport non-profit organization that is interested in being the organization designated to receive donations, please contact Donna Larson at 865-4743 x103 or dlarson@freeportmaine.com. Organizations will need to provide volunteers to collect donations.



Town Manager's Report September 19, 2017

Earlier this morning the Traffic and Parking Committee approved a design for a crosswalk and METRO Breez bus stop on US Route 1 South at the State Park and Ride facility and immediately across Route 1 along the Maine Beer Company property. This stop has been designed with user requests in mind and is expected to receive moderate to heavy traffic from the Maine Coast Waldorf School, Maine Beer Company employees, and Park and Ride users. We do not have a firm time table for construction at this point, but there is a possibility work can begin this construction season.

The Traffic and Parking Committee also approved changes to the South Freeport Village area designed to counter concerns about speeding in that neighborhood. These changes will be presented to the Town Council at an upcoming meeting. Please note that many of these changes will not take place until final paving work on South Freeport Road next calendar year. According to Town Engineer Adam Bliss, the proposed changes as part of this plan include:

- Installation of a new speed table at the crosswalk at Park Street and South Freeport Road
- Improvements to the existing speed table between South Freeport Church and L'Ecole Francaise du Maine
- Lane narrowing from 11 feet to 10 feet, and a corresponding shoulder widening from 3 to 4 feet
- Widening of fog lines from 4 inches to 6 inches in width
- Placement of a new "Yield to Pedestrians in Crosswalk" sign

The Buildings and Grounds Department is currently working with the Town Engineer on replacing the large bridge at the back of Leon Gorman Park. The bridge is currently closed off to foot traffic after town staff determined that one of the structural beams supporting the decking had failed. All of the underlying supports for the bridge will be replaced as part of this rehab project.

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Freeport Public Safety Open House



Wed. October 11, 2017
5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

This year's Public Safety Open House will take place on Wednesday, October 11th from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. The Freeport Police and Fire/Rescue departments are planning a fun and educational evening for all ages. On display will be some of the traditional fire prevention activities, as well as crime prevention information. We have many community partners participating this year, delivering health and wellness information and an overall safety message. In addition we will have on display the Squad 51 replica from the TV Show "Emergency" and Maine's Impaired Driving Roadside Testing Vehicle. Freeport's K-9, Cassie, and her handler Officer Moorhouse, will put on a demonstration of Cassie's skills. The Maine Public Safety Pipes and Drum Corps will be onsite to entertain with some traditional Bagpipe music. Learn all about "hands only" CPR and what an AED can do to save a life. Freeport's fire trucks, ambulances and police cars will be on display. The Fire Auxiliary will be grilling up hot dogs and hamburgers for sale, with proceeds to support the Auxiliary.



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The single sort recycling compactor at the Freeport Recycling Facility went online last week. All recyclables can now be comingled in the blue compactor that is located where the "Silver Bullet" rolloff container was formerly located. Redeemable cans and bottles can still be separated for donation to Freeport Community Services and deposited in the bin near the office.

Upcoming Library Events for Kids!

- **Lego Club Returns** – Wednesdays from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. The FCL LEGO Club will meet on the first Wednesday of every month. For children ages 5-11. Must be accompanied by an adult.
- **Free Movies for Grades 6-8.** Movies start at 2:20 p.m. (check the FCL website for dates and movies scheduled).
- **Shark Night & Craft** – Wednesday, September 20th at 6:00 p.m. Sharks 4 Kids is coming to the library. These shark ambassadors use games and activities to help kids understand why sharks need their support.



For a full listing of all the fall Library programs for both adults and children, go to: www.freeportlibrary.com

2017 Freeport Trail Challenge: Treat Yourself to a Hike!



People of all ages are invited to participate in the Freeport Trail Challenge. Hike these four Freeport trails in September and October: Field Estuary, Leon Gorman Park, Stonewood Trail to Sayles Woods, and Tidebrook. Record your hikes in a Passport or by posting on Facebook or Instagram. Every kid who hikes all four trails wins a prize. Adults will be entered into a drawing for prizes.

Passports are available at the Town Hall and at the Community Center.

For more information go to freeportconservationtrust.org, email info@freeportconservationtrust.org or call 865-3985 x212.



**2017 Election
Absentee Ballots
will be available
beginning
October 10, 2017**

Anyone wishing to receive an absentee ballot for the upcoming November 7th, 2017 election may visit the following link and **apply online:**

<http://www.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/AbsenteeBallot/index.pl>.

You can also request an absentee ballot by calling or stopping by the Town Clerk's Office (865-4743 x123). Ballots will be available the second week in October.