



Upcoming Town Council Meeting:

January 2, 2018

6:30 p.m.

Town Council Chambers

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

www.freeportmaine.com



2018 Dog Licenses Are Available!

All dog licenses expire December 31st of each year. Dogs six months and older are required to be licensed by law. You may register at the Freeport Town Hall or online at: www.doglicensing.com. Please bring proof of the rabies vaccination and spay/neutering. *Please be aware that you must renew your dog license no later than January 31st of each year, or a late fee of \$25.00 per dog will be charged.*

QUESTIONS: Please call the Clerk's Office at: 207-865-4743. Ext. 122 or 123



Recycling & the Holidays

Is It Recyclable?

YES: Gift wrap, Gift bags, Tissue paper, Greeting cards, Strings of Lights, Corrugated Cardboard, Gift wrap (not foil), 1-7 Plastic, Glass

NO: Foil gift wrap, Ribbon, Bows, Tinsel, Packing Peanuts, Ceramic Dishes, Styrofoam

Christmas Trees & Wreaths:

Christmas trees are free to dispose of in the brush pile. Evergreen wreaths, because of the wire used to make them, cannot go in the brush pile. They are still free, but go in the bulky waste dumpster.

For more details, call 865-3740 or go to www.freeportmaine.com .



**Town Manager's Report
December 19, 2017**

Now that the first significant snowfall of the winter is upon us, I'd like to remind everyone that winter parking regulations continue to be in effect. Parking is prohibited on all Town streets from 11PM to 7AM from November 1st to April 15th, in addition to during all declared snow emergencies. The Public Works Department requests your help during snow removal operations by complying with these regulations. We understand that winter parking regulations can be tedious, but these restrictions are for your convenience as well as that of the Public Works employees responsible for snow removal. Cars parked on street at night and during snow emergencies can make it difficult to clear snow from streets effectively, and are at much greater risk of being damaged by snow removal equipment. This can lead to snow banks and piles left in the street, as well as damage to both personal vehicles and Town property which we all would like to avoid!



The Town is about to begin its Emergency Operations Plan update process. As a reminder – there will be several seats available on the Emergency Operations Plan committee for residents. Any residents who are interested in serving on

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December is "Food for Fines" month at the Library!

During the entire month of December all overdue charges will be eliminated from your account in exchange for donations of non-perishable food items that are comparable in value to your fines (please note this excludes billed items). For example 1 can of food = \$1 in fines.



Suggested items: canned soup, beans, fruit, vegetables, pasta, toilet paper, toothbrushes, toothpaste, shampoos, soap, deodorant. All the non-perishable food items collected during December will go to the Food Pantry at Freeport Community Services.



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Winter Reminders Public Works Department



~Freeport residents are allowed two (2) 5-gallon buckets of sand per storm. Sand is located adjacent to the silver recycling bullet on Hunter Road in front of the Public Works Facility.

~No parking is allowed on public streets nor in turnarounds during winter storm events – please keep streets and turnarounds clear of vehicles (including trailers, campers, etc) during a storm. Our winter parking ban is now in effect, from 11:00pm-7:00am, through April 15.

~For residents who park vehicles in driveways, please keep sidewalks clear so our sidewalk machines are not restricted in doing their job.

~On a final note, please do not push snow into sidewalks or public streets as this is not only against Maine state law, it is also costly and time-consuming for the Public Works Department to send vehicles and manpower out to go back to clean up a street or sidewalk.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Public Works Department at 865-4461.

New Year's Eve Fireworks Sunday, December 31st.

The Fireworks will begin as close to 6:00 p.m. as possible.

Please note that the fireworks will be launched from the girl's softball field to protect the new turf field.

Public Peddler Licenses

Freeport residents interested in submitting an application for any available public peddler locations may do so from January 16th to January 23rd. At the February 6th Town Council meeting, available public peddler licenses will be issued by lottery. Please contact the Clerk's Office for more information on Peddler carts.

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the EOP update committee should contact Chief Jordan at 865-3421. The first public meeting is scheduled for January 18th, from 2-4PM. For those who would like to observe, but maybe not participate, the majority of meetings (including the January 18th meeting) of the EOP update process will be open to the public. We are anticipating that a draft plan will be available by the end of April for review and input from the Town Council.

Freeport Community Library Events



Tuesday Tech Lunches have started at the Library. Bring a bag lunch with you every second Tuesday of the month and sit down to casual presentations on tech literacy. **How to Use Minerva and Maine Cat to Request Books** will take place on Tuesday, January 9th from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM. Bring a list of books or DVDs you'd like to practice requesting. **How to Fact-Check Your News** will take place on Tuesday, February 13th from 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM. For more information on Library Programs go to www.freeportlibrary.com or come to the Library!

Municipal Holiday Schedule

All Town Departments will be closed:

Monday, December 25th, 2017
&
Monday, January 1st, 2018

PLEASE NOTE:

A number of services are available on line, such as re-registering vehicles, licensing dogs, and obtaining Hunting/Fishing licenses. Please go to the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com. Click on "Online Services" which can be found on the top of the right hand side of the Home Page.

Have a wonderful Holiday Season!