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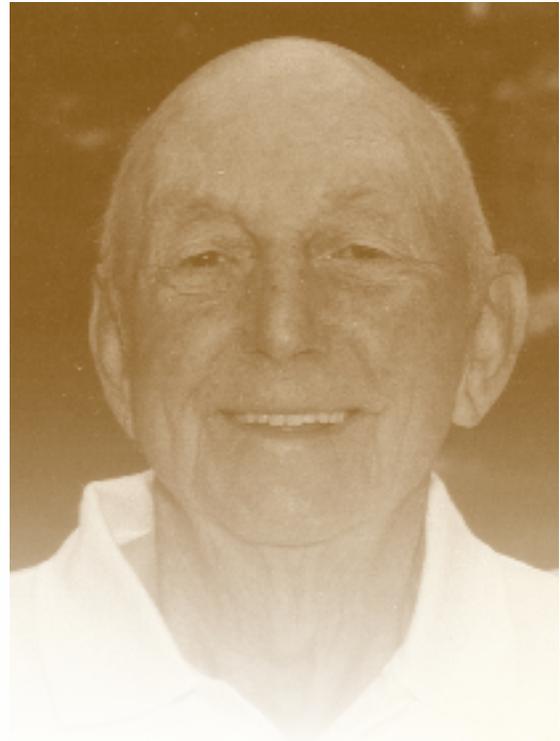


IN MEMORY OF...

GLADYS MOON passed away September 4, 2007. Gladys had long been an active and dedicated resident of the Freeport community. Gladys was a member of the Freeport Rescue Company from 1983 – 1991, became a Life Member of Rescue in 1991, and continued to be actively involved with the Company for many years. Gladys, along with her husband Ted, contributed countless hours managing the beautiful gardens at the municipal buildings and Bow Street Park and were often seen accompanied by their grandchildren as they worked on the town gardens together. In her honor, the gardens at the Town Hall are now known as Gladys' Garden.



STEPHEN MITCHELL passed away on September 14, 2008. Steve was an extraordinarily devoted employee of the Town of Freeport for many years. Steve worked at Winslow Memorial Park beginning in the mid 1940's right up until his death, at age 86. During that time Steve worked in a variety of capacities, including as the Maintenance Supervisor and Park Superintendent and contributed greatly to the development of the Park. Steve also became Freeport's first Codes Enforcement Officer and served as a deputy in the Freeport Police Department for many years. Steven's hard work and dedication were a marvel and his absence at the Park will be deeply felt.





CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Dr. Jonathan Strout *freeport dental associates*

The Award for Freeport Citizen of the Year is given annually to a Freeport individual or community group that has substantively contributed to the quality of the Town, the well-being of the citizens, the reputation of Freeport, and has caused a measurable improvement in the circumstances of a significant number of townspeople.

This year's recipient is Dr. Jonathan Strout, along with his practice, Freeport Dental Associates. Dr. Strout and his practice have worked with the School and Town for over 24 years to provide a School Dental Health Program which is both unique and the envy of many communities in Maine. Dr. Jonathan Strout and his practice have donated countless hours of their time to ensure that each school age child in Freeport obtains the necessary preventive and restorative dental health they need, regardless of their ability to pay. Since 1992 alone, Dr. Jonathan Strout's practice has treated over 500 students with routine preventative exams and over 200 students have received necessary restorative treatment. Because of Dr. Strout's commitment to the children in Freeport, Freeport is able to ensure that all school age children have access to affordable dental health care.

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Past Citizen of the Year Recipients

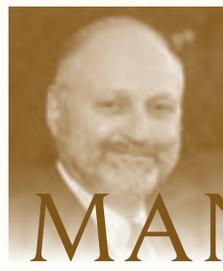
- Mary Sauer & Jon Hoy 2006
- Betsy Ruff 2005
- Edgar Leighton 2004
- E. Ann Westervelt 2003
- Louis Marstaller 2002
- Vaughndella Curtis 2001
- Edward Bonney 2000
- Frank Small 1999
- Frank Garland 1998
- Edward Bueter & Fred Fernald 1997
- Paul Powers 1996

The Town of Freeport is most fortunate to have an individual such as Dr. Strout, for without him there could be no such program. Without a doubt, Dr. Strout and Freeport Dental Associates in their role as the Freeport School Dental Health Program are truly deserving of this esteemed award.

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TOWN MANAGER



Dale Olmstead Jr. *town manager*

It is with great pleasure that I submit the 218th Annual Report concerning the Town of Freeport's municipal corporate activities for the fiscal operating period from July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. Activity reports from the many boards, commissions, and administrative departments of the Town as well as the municipal budget for this operating period appear throughout this publication.

As a number of reports reflect, the Town of Freeport is fortunate to possess an active and dedicated citizenry which contributes significantly to the positive development of the community. Many of the accomplishments realized during this period were due largely to the efforts of you, the citizens.

During the 2008 fiscal year, the Town Council considered 170 items of business. These items were taken up during 20 regular and special sessions and 11 workshops. Many of the items addressed by the Town Council included issues that were raised by committee members, town employees, citizens as well as the elective town officials. Major areas which the Council focused on included: examining the need for community resources and services, protecting the local environment, improving the Town's infrastructure and promoting development.

I would like to express my appreciation to the many volunteers serving the Town in various capacities and the department administrators and town employees for their support and cooperation. Without their assistance, little would have been accomplished.

2008 Highlights

- Adopted management plan for Soule Park, Hidden Pond, and Leon Gorman Park which was donated to the Town by L.L. Bean.
- Adopted a new Capital Investment Policy.
- Approved new land use policies for the Route One South Corridor.
- Adopted a new Energy Operations Plan.
- Established the Freeport Fuel Fund to assist those in need.
- Approved a resolution supporting Freeport Creative Arts.
- Adopted a new Tree Committee.
- Approved a "Color Overlay District" within the existing Design Review District.

Town Council



Rich DeGrandpre *chairperson*



Charlotte Bishop *vice-chairperson*



Rick White



Bill Muldoon



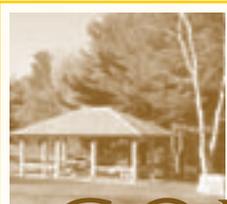
James Cassida



Genie Beaulieu



Joe Migliaccio



TOWN COUNCIL

Rich DeGrandpre *chairperson*

It is my pleasure to submit the annual Freeport Town Council report for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. Councilors worked diligently this year to provide Freeport residents with efficient and effective municipal services, to provide high quality public education, to promote the development and protection of accessible natural resources, to encourage the economic development essential to maintain the vitality of the town, and to develop and provide the services needed to ensure that residents' critical needs are met. These goals could not have been achieved without the contributions of the countless volunteers who serve on the various boards and committees within the Town. Enormous thanks are due to these individuals whose dedication and hard work enable the Town of Freeport to be a vibrant community in which to live and work.

Freeport continues to face a number of fiscal pressures and much of the past year was devoted to addressing the many challenges related to the economy and the impact on our community. Limiting the increase in the tax rate was the top priority of the Town Council and as a result of the diligence of both town and school officials, we were able to successfully pass an extremely responsible budget without compromising municipal and school services.

Another significant challenge facing our community was the State requirement to provide the Department of Education with a School Consolidation Plan. The Town Council approved the formation of the School Consolidation Reorganization Committee, charging members (Rick White, John Gleason, Marge Migliaccio, Fred Palmer and Nelson Larkins) with the formidable task of developing a Regional School Unit Board Plan to be approved by voters. These individuals represented a diverse group of community members who devoted an enormous amount of time developing the plan to present to Freeport Voters (which was ultimately approved by voters in November, 2008).

Other accomplishments during the year included but were certainly not limited to:

- Protecting and making Freeport's natural resources more accessible by approving Management Plans for Hidden Pond, the Soule Park, and the Leon Gorman Park which was

generously donated by L.L. Bean; establishing the Freeport Tree Committee; adopting the Anti-Idling Policy for municipal departments; and working with State agencies, the Department of Marine Resources and local shellfish harvesters to promote clean water and sustainable shellfish harvesting.

- Addressing economic development issues by exploring the possibility of forming a Chamber of Commerce; encouraging and recognizing the contributions that the local arts, culture and history make in the community by approving a resolution supporting Freeport Creative Arts; and continuing to work with LL Bean and partner/developer Berenson Associates, Inc. on plans to build a new retail, restaurant and parking complex which is also resulting in improvements in town infrastructure, improvements around Bow Street and alleviating traffic and parking issues in the Village Area.
- Developing services and programs needed to address the needs of some of our most vulnerable citizens by establishing a Heating Assistance Fund which, thanks to the generous donations of many Freeport residents and organizations, enabled many of our citizens to stay warm through the long winter season; endorsing a Community Development Block Grant to provide substandard mobile home rehabilitation for Freeport residents; working with the Project Review Board, Freeport Housing Trust, and Habitat for Humanity to create a lot of land along West Street for affordable housing.
- Addressing the Burnett Road Bridge closure with a short term solution and approving the placement of a referendum question on the November 2008 recommending replacement of the Burnett Road Bridge.

In closing, I would like to recognize the work and dedication of Vice-Chair Charlotte Bishop, and Councilors Jim Cassida, Rick White, Genie Beaulieu, Joe Migliaccio, and Bill Muldoon. Their diverse backgrounds, insights, commitment and combined talent have enabled us to resolve challenging issues facing our community. I would like to thank them for the opportunity to serve as Chair. It has been an honor and privilege to serve the Town of Freeport in this position.

BOARDS &

APPEALS BOARD

Shannon Garrity, Chair
Steven Bradbury, Vice Chair
Tamas Peredy, Sec.
David Gagne
Douglas Reighley
Sarah Dalton
Rick Warren
STAFF PERSON: Fred Reeder

APPOINTMENTS COMMITTEE

Charlotte Bishop, Chair
James Cassida
Rich DeGrandpre

BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVIEW

Michael Healy, Chair
David Suhr
Eric Huemme
Roy Pierce
Charles Swanson

CABLE T.V. REGULATORY BOARD

John Goran, Chair
Edward Bonney
Tom McBrierty
Sean Crean, School Board liaison
Martha Spiess
STAFF PERSON: Rick Simard
Jay Somers, Comcast Sr. Manager
of Gov't. & Community Relations

CABLE T.V. NEGOTIATING COMMITTEE

Peter Guffin, Chair
Michael Williams
VACANCY
STAFF PERSON: Rick Simard

COASTAL WATERS COMMISSION

Kristin Peterson, Chair
Scott Gleeson, Vice Chair
Amanda Szala, Sec.
Dennis Collins

Jennifer Cassidy
Ronald DuPuis, Jr.
Bill Marquis
STAFF PERSON: Jay Pinkham

COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Dana Anderson
Jim Lincoln
Katie West
Matt Hurd
Pat Guild
Elaine Wilmot
Julie Fraser
Elizabeth Guffey
Bill Muldoon
Leslie Livingston

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Ethel Wilkerson, Chair
Kelly Holyoke Fitzpatrick, Sec.
Suzanne Umland, Treas.
Judy Camuso
Gene Boyington
Gino Giumarro
Chris Grimm
Bill Muldoon, Council Liaison

FREEPORT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Stephanie Slocum,
Executive Director
Wendy Caisse, Pres.
Kate Arno, V.P.
Candace Rinaldi, Treas.
Elizabeth Ruff
Ken Kacere
Chip Gray
Adam Nappi
Mark Malone
Jeff Zachau
Dave Latulippe
Peter Troast
Jim Cassida
VACANCY
Bill Muldoon, Council (ex officio)
Dale Olmstead, Manager (ex officio)

COMMITTEES

As of April 2008

HOUSING TRUST

John Egan, President
Tom Whelan, Treasurer
Tom Kelley, Clerk
Maryellen Carew
Joe Burke
Jeff Stenzel
Chris Roney, FAME
Jim Hatch, Consultant

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Shari Broder, Chair
Sheila Nappi, Sec.
John Creasy
Jane Danielson
John Slavin
Robert Lezer
Deborah Harding
M. D. Mitchell
Warren Cheevers
STAFF PERSON: Beth Edmonds

MUNICIPAL FACILITIES COMMITTEE

Joseph Migliaccio, Chair
Richard DeGrandpre
Frederick White

PLANNING BOARD

Andrew Manning, Chair
VACANCY
Conan Deady
Larry Adlerstein
Wendyll Caisse
Kenneth Fortier
Malcolm Collins
STAFF PERSON: Donna Larson

PROJECT REVIEW BOARD

David Marstaller, Chair
James Gorman, Vice Chair
Jane Benson, Sec.
VACANCY
Clifford Goodall
Dale Whitmore
Erik Anderson
STAFF PERSON: Donna Larson

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Alicia Harding, Chair
Marisa Tobey
Caroline Sinclair
Brian Berkemeyer
John Dyer
Susan Collins
Daralyn Maxwell
STAFF PERSON: Kelly Profenno

RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE COMMITTEE

Marjorie Hall, Chair
Jeffrey Stenzel
Mary File
Paul A. Kane
Crystal Shirley
Louise Haggett
VACANCY
STAFF PERSON: Al Presgraves

SEWER DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Leon Arsenault, Chair
Ed Hindley, Treasurer
Don Bail, Clerk
F. Donald Dorsey
Kenneth Mann
Jack E. Conner, II
Brendon Alterio

SHELLFISH CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Chad Coffin, Chair
Garrett Simmons, Vice Chair
Ronald L. Smith, Treas.
Eric Horne, Sec.
Andrew Wilbur
Nora Healy
Michael Harriman
STAFF PERSON: Tom Kay

SPECIAL PROJECTS COMMITTEE

Charlotte Bishop, Chair
Joseph Migliaccio
Rick White

STAFF REVIEW BOARD

Donna Larson, Town Planner
Darrel Fournier, Fire/Rescue Chief
Fred Reeder, Code Enforcement
Al Presgraves, Town Engineer
Jim Plummer, Public Works

TRAFFIC & PARKING COMMITTEE

Gary Profenno, Chair
Richard DeGrandpre, Councilor,
Vice Chair
Jerry Schofield, Police Chief
Jim Gorman
Rod Regier
Andrew Manning
Chris Parker
STAFF PERSON: Al Presgraves

TREE COMMITTEE

Suzanne Umland
Nancy Fischman
Susan Cherbuliez
Dennis Ouellette
Greg L'Heureux
Judy Hamlin
Bill Muldoon

FREEPORT WATER DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Peter Moulton
Maryann Schwanda
John Karp

SOUTH FREEPORT WATER DISTRICT TRUSTEES

Mark Curry, Chair
Diane Lukac
Lawrence E. Welsher
Melanie Ferrucci, Secretary

WINSLOW PARK COMMISSION

Nelson Larkins, Chair
Carla Dupuis, Vice Chair
Lynn Glover
Wayne Hollingworth
Jane Grant
Bill Ross
Peter Polovchik
Mary Lou Halla
Council Liaison – Rick White
STAFF PERSON: Bart Carhart

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Christopher Leighton, Chair
Christine Munroe, Vice Chair
Sean Crean
John Morang
Beth Parker
John Gleason
Susan Martling
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS:
Elaine Tomaszewski

COMMUNITY EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Susan Collins, Chair
Joan Garber
Gary Goodrich
James DeGrandpre
Lisa Sturtevant
Michael Loughlin
Melinda Doel
Veronica Merrill-Wiest
Rachel Rousseau
Wayne Hollingworth,
Winslow Park Liaison
Beth Parker,
School Committee Liaison
VACANCY
DIRECTOR: Russell Packett



TOWN CLERK

Beverly Curry *town clerk & registrar of voters*

Vital Statistics:

78 Births 57 Marriage licenses 95 Deaths

Dogs:

The Town Clerk's office registered 1,150 dogs, and three kennels. Any dog six months or older must be licensed by January 31st of each year. A current Maine rabies certificate must be presented at the time of licensing. If a dog is neutered, a spay/neutering certificate must be presented at the initial registration. The Town Clerk holds a Rabies Clinic every year in the Town Hall during the month of January for vaccination of any dog or cat. The charge is for the cost of the rabies vaccine only. It is now possible to register your dog online. A link to the Maine Dog Registration website is located on the town's website: www.freeportmaine.com

Shellfish licenses issued:

Commercial Licenses: 50

44 resident and 6 non-resident licenses

Recreational Licenses: 121

91 resident and 30 non-resident licenses

Passport Agency:

The Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk are authorized by the U.S. Dept. of State to process passport applications. This service requires extensive and continual training. Many citizens are pleased that we offer this service because it is very convenient to come to Town Hall to process the paperwork, especially for small children. The processing fee for each passport goes to the town's revenues.



Mary Howe
deputy town clerk

Hunting/fishing licenses:

The Town Clerk's Office issues Fishing, Hunting, Jr. Hunting, and Archery licenses to Maine residents. Our office uses the State's on-line registration service – MOSES. Residents may purchase a license from this on-line service without coming to our office. The link for entering the MOSES system is located on the town website: www.freeportmaine.com Lifetime licenses are available to applicants 5 years of age or younger and 65 years of age and older. Once purchased through the State, a lifetime license is valid for the life of the holder without regard to subsequent changes in the legal residence of the holder. Residents who are 70 or older may purchase a lifetime license for an \$8 one-time fee.

Other services:

Notary Public and Dedimus Justice

Victualer licenses (89 issued)

41 restaurants

15 lodging places

13 Food Peddlers

20 other

Food peddler licenses (public property) (3 issued)

Liquor licenses

Special amusement permits (7 issued)

Automobile junkyard permits (2 issued)

Commercial passenger boat licenses (2 issued)

Business licenses (d/b/a; sole proprietors)

News vending device licenses

Parking stickers for the town parking lot at the harbor

Recycling Center punch cards

Applications for all Boards & Committees

Marriage ceremonies

Genealogy searches

Election Highlights:

NOVEMBER 6, 2007

State, County and Municipal Election

33% of our registered voters cast ballots in this election.
12.5% of the ballots were absentees.

The voters elected the following persons to municipal offices, each for three year terms:

Councilor-At-Large William Muldoon

Councilor, District 1 Genie Beaulieu

School Committee John Morang & Sean Crean

Sewer District Trustees Donald Dorsey & Edward Hindley

Water District Trustee John Karp

The State ballot asked voters to decide on three Bond issues, a Citizen Initiative for a Casino in Washington County and a Referendum Question extending term limits for Legislators. The County ballot contained two Bond Issues and a question regarding increasing County Commissioner districts.

2008 Caucuses

Freeport Democrats and Republicans each held a Caucus in February to vote on Presidential candidates. The turnout for both was extraordinarily high.

JUNE 10, 2008

State Primary and Municipal Election

24% of registered voters cast ballots in this election.
11% of ballots cast were absentees.

In this election, in addition to the State Primary Party ballots, there were two Municipal ballots. One ballot contained a referendum bond issue for repairs to the Middle School building. The second Municipal ballot contained the first state mandated School Budget Validation question in which the voters could vote to confirm or deny the budget presented by the School Committee to the Town Council. Voters overwhelmingly approved the proposed School Budget.

town hall staff



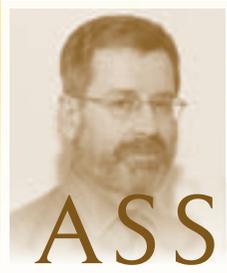
Brent Moon
maintenance



Judith Hawley
assistant to the town manager



TOWN ASSESSOR



Robert Konczal *assessor*

The Town Assessor is an agent of the State and is charged by law with discovering, describing, and valuing property and its ownership for the purpose of taxation. To raise the funds for the budget approved by the Town Council, the Assessor prepares a list of all properties annually and commits the assessments to the Town Tax Collector for collection. The Assessing Office then reports to the State Department of Revenue Services regarding its activities for the year.

Valuation: This Office conducted a Market Update of valuations in 2006 to bring assessments more in line with the market and restore equity. Since then, the national real estate markets have softened. However, prices in Freeport have remained a bit above assessed valuations, on average as of April 1, 2007.

Tax Rate: The tax rate rose from \$12.50 last year to \$12.56 this year.

Homestead Exemption: If you have owned a home in Maine for 12 months prior to April first, you may apply for this program. Forms are available at the Tax Assessor's office and the Town's web site. If you have already applied, there is no need to reapply.



Clinton Swett
assistant to the assessor

Valuations as of April 1, 2007

Real Estate:	Totals
(land) -	\$691,821,200
(building) -	\$812,061,500
(subtotal) -	\$1,503,882,700

Personal Property:	\$141,511,853
Gross Valuation:	\$1,645,394,553

Less Exemptions:	\$ 102,382,350
(Veterans, Blind, Homestead, Public, Charitable, Religious, Railroad, Other)	

Net taxable valuation:	\$1,543,012,203
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Veteran's Exemption: A property owner may obtain a reduction in the valuation of their property if they are a veteran who is not dishonorably discharged, are over 62, or are an un-remarried widow/widower of a qualifying veteran. If the veteran is under 62 but is 100% disabled due to a service-connected disability, he/she might likewise qualify. Applications for these exemptions are available in the Assessor's Office, and on our web site.

Property Tax and Rent Refund Program (Circuit Breaker Program) : Maine also has a property tax and rent refund program for low-income residents. It is called the Resident Tax and Rent and Low-Cost Drug Program, and you may obtain an application at Town Hall.



Greg L'Heureux *finance director*

Photo (l to r): Greg L'Heureux, Diane Hutchinson, Debbie Reeder, Christine Phelps

Fiscal Year 2008 General Fund Revenues Budget to Actual Summary

	Budget	Actual	Variance
Revenues:			
Taxes	\$ 19,057,409	19,806,182	748,773
Licenses and permits	234,400	346,261	111,861
Intergovernmental	2,538,563	2,589,519	50,956
Tuition and other charges for services – education	854,917	999,303	144,386
Charges for services	225,500	279,694	54,194
Fees and fines	69,500	78,551	9,051
Unclassified	14,400	31,879	17,479
Investment earnings	200,000	396,085	196,085
Total revenues	\$ 23,194,689	24,527,473	1,332,784

Fiscal Year 2008 General Fund Expenditures Budget to Actual Summary

	Budget	Variance Positive Actual	(Negative)
Expenditures:			
General government	\$ 1,307,747	1,259,835	47,912
Public safety	1,927,937	1,897,972	29,965
Public works	1,831,373	1,815,341	16,032
Community services	642,750	623,593	19,157
Education	14,161,148	14,250,762	(89,614)
Insurance and fringe benefits	1,310,200	1,152,955	157,245
County tax	761,800	761,800	-
Unclassified	245,500	220,848	24,652
Debt service	1,601,694	1,537,170	64,524
Total expenditures	\$ 23,790,149	23,520,275	269,874

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

Outstanding 2007 Tax Liens as of June 30, 2008

BILL NAME	PROPERTY ID	Tax Balance	BILL NAME	PROPERTY ID	Tax Balance
AGOSTINO MICHAEL J & PHYLLIS L	01809600D000	\$ 3,761.53	FARLEY, PETER J	02000200C000	\$ 189.51
ASHBY MICHAEL J	006026000000	2,297.30	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	160.38
BAKER HARLEY (CHRIS GILBERT)	817028F-N027	333.27	FREEMONT HEALTH MANAGEMENT GROUP LLC	013001001000	593.05
BARHAM MARIE SW & CHALAPATAS, JOHN P	018098000000	127.46	GOODWIN CHARLES	825063008000	277.90
BARTER NELSON M & SKELTON, CAROL L	02101500I000	461.94	GRAHAM BEATRICE HEIRS OF	018031000000	191.44
BATCHELDER VERNA H	02000200A000	922.69	GEROW SUSAN	021018001000	1,161.30
BATCHELDER VERNA H	02000200B000	1,001.91	HARRIMAN MICHAEL	01809000H000	1,343.65
BAXTER EDITH D & BAXTER, PHILIP R	0021019002000	2,920.00	HARRIMAN MICHAEL	818076000000	296.80
BOLDUC DAVID	01802900A000	729.05	HART JR BERNARD	02102000B000	1,092.41
BOLDUC DAVID A	01804900G000	1,177.51	HAYWARD BRADLEY R & TERESA L	022067000000	2,544.49
BOLDUC DAVID A	021059000000	2,231.11	HOWARD MICHAEL A	022059000000	678.30
BOLDUC DAVID A	018029000000	2,867.32	HYNES ALFRED P & BARBARA H	02601300C008	2,488.60
BORMAN MICHAEL C & JILL K	018070007000	1,682.70	JAMES BURGESS INC	01705000B000	528.84
BREWER SCOTT S	01905300B000	2,801.13	KELLEY CHRISTA	013086000000	101.50
BRIGGS ALMON	817028F-N021	136.07	KELLEY CHRISTA	18070021000	5,990.30
BROWN MICHAEL R	02100200D000	3,892.55	KILEY WANDA J & TIMOTHY E	018005001000	3,612.94
BUSHEE KAREN	02200800C000	807.05	LANDRY BRADFORD & SANDRA	817028F-N020	233.32
CAIRE DIRK R	003015000000	3,168.54	LANE FREDERICK K	01808300C000	1,132.93
CIGRI TINA & CIGRI, LAURA	009002002000	2,439.13	LEIGHTON SHANE E	018112000000	3,186.11
CLARK KEVIN C	003019000000	1,812.37	LIBBY DWIGHT W SR	02107000E000	1,183.27
CLARK KEVIN C	003027000000	8,156.93	MAINES DANNY A (MAINES GENEVA)	01802200C000	2,116.29
CLARK KEVIN C	003028ETC000	12,753.61	MAINES GENEVA	01800200A000	2,075.77
CLARK KEVIN C	003030ETC000	4,732.74	NORTON BERDENA HEIRS OF	022019000000	2,212.50
COFFILL GEORGE JR & MARIE L	01703300B000	384.22	PUMMILL NANETTE L & DONALD JR	021054000000	1,073.19
COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	1,037.02	PUSHARD WILLIAM L	008006000000	1,875.86
CORLISS RAYMOND H & MARY JANE	018090000000	208.28	RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	3,530.55
CORLISS RAYMOND H & MARY JANE	017034010000	1,207.00	RING ELIZABETH MATHILDE	023082ETC000	5,012.99
COX W RUSSELL JR ET ALS	019029000000	106.34	RISEMAN ANDREA M	030025000000	3,530.55
CRONE FLOYD J & MARIE F	022060000000	1,349.10	ROBINSON CARLTON L HEIRS	002043000000	4,586.85
CRONE GARY R	02108800C000	1,412.54	ROGERS KATHLEEN	01707800C000	87.68
CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	2,046.05	ROWE EARL JR	02201400A000	1,494.55
D A B INC	018026000000	3,010.50	RUMERY DAN	01203800A001	1,149.14
DALEY MARILYN S	01802900B000	918.16	SALON FREEPORT LLC	01302200A001	4,778.66
DALY DIANNE	026035000000	1,078.46	SCAMMON GAIL L	822044000000	648.00
DALY DIANNE	826035000000	162.71	SCOTT LESTER C JR & DIANE	01702800C002	1,503.05
DAVIS WILLIAM S JR	018052000000	1,076.20	SEYMOUR PAUL J	017085001000	1,865.05
DAVIS WILLIAM S JR	018050000000	230.62	SEYMOUR PEGGY SUE & PAUL	01703700B000	1,128.88
PIERRE DAVIS WILLIAM S JR	01808300B000	172.54	SHEVENELL JR ROGER		
DIPIETRO ANTONIO H	017055001000	1,259.91	& O'CONNELL, SHEILA A	02600300F000	1,584.72
DIPIETRO ASSOCIATES TRUST	017055000000	4,952.91	SMALL GLENDON S	02001700A000	2,543.14
DIPIETRO LAWRENCE C JR	017055002000	1,034.33	TAYLOR STEPHEN F & VALERIE A	01801000A000	146.86
DODGE AND SONS EXCLUSIVE BUILDERS	01801200J000	931.66	TAYLOR STEPHEN F & VALERIE A	01803400B000	3,005.10
DODGE CARL A JR	01701600C000	1,259.91	THERRIEN ERIC J SR	817028F-N023	261.36
DOROTHY M GUILLEMETTE IRR	0020042000000	50.51	TOTAL CONCEPT BUILDERS LLC	021027001000	4,172.16
DOROTHY M GUILLEMETTE IRR	0020043000000	102.14	VICKERSON RANDALL A III	01907600F000	993.80
EASLER GARY	01907600A000	792.38	WARD ANDREW & LYNN ANN	817028F-N-4	315.71
FARLAND, DONNA L ESTATE OF	02303100A000	674.24	WINSLOW WILLIAM L	021086000000	2,662.00
FALKNER CAROLINE & KEARNS, JOHN	01809000L000	1,561.13	YOUNG PEGGY W	02600400A000	3,769.64

Outstanding Personal Property Tax as of June 30, 2008

YEAR	BILL NAME	Balance	YEAR	BILL NAME	Balance
2002	RINGS MARINE SERVICE INC	\$ 50.63	2007	DAB, INC	\$ 774.13
2003	RINGS MARINE SERVICE INC	267.60	2007	STONE HILL HOMES, INC	444.93
2004	RINGS MARINE SERVICE INC	411.34	2007	RINGS MARINE SERVICE INC	417.20
2005	RINGS MARINE SERVICE INC	476.36	2007	SEYMOUR EXCAVATING INC	862.50
2006	RINGS MARINE SERVICE INC	531.06	2007	FREEMONT INTEGRATED HEALTH	799.25
2006	SEYMOUR EXCAVATING	931.32	2007	FREEMONT TACK COMPANY	402.50

TAX COLLECTOR REPORT

Tax Acquired Property as of June 30, 2008

YEAR	BILL NAME	PROPERTY ID	Balance	YEAR	BILL NAME	PROPERTY ID	Balance
1989	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	\$ 920.89	2002	AMRESCO NEW HAMPSHIRE INC	010013000000	\$ 2,758.80
1990	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	978.99		CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	83.60
1991	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,071.95		COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	735.68
1992	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,124.24		CRONE GARY R	02108800C000	348.14
1993	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,135.68		CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,375.22
	HILCO PROPERTY SERVICES, INC	010013000000	2,221.44		ERSKIN KAREN	81702800FN-7	280.06
1994	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	94.33		FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,258.18
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	326.65		RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,834.04
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,204.84	2003	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	8.88
	HILCO PROPERTY SERVICES, INC.	010013000000	2,356.72		COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	875.08
1995	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	193.80		CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,588.63
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	804.10		FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,207.00
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,237.60		RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,870.18
	HILCO PROPERTY SERVICES, INC.	010013000000	2,420.80	2004	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	9.05
1996	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	195.51		COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	892.33
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	723.73		CRONE GARY R	02108800C000	606.63
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,248.52		CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,619.95
	HILCO PROPERTY SERVICES, INC.	010013000000	2,442.16		FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,230.80
1997	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	195.51		RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,962.97
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	723.73	2005	BOWIE TINA	817028C-0022	79.05
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,248.52		CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	9.05
1998	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	202.92		COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	892.33
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	751.16		CRONE GARY R	02108800C000	1,272.43
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,295.84		CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,619.95
	RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	1,472.08		FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,230.80
1999	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	80.74		GRAHAM BEATRICE HEIRS OF	018031000000	44.34
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	645.92		GROSE LELANI V	021018001000	263.84
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,207.43		RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,962.97
	FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,134.03	2006	BATCHELDER CHARLES D III	02000200B000	248.90
	RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,187.32		COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	818.67
2000	AMRESCO NEW HAMPSHIRE INC	010013000000	2,422.20		CRONE GARY R	02108800C000	1,256.15
	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	80.74		CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,616.66
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	502.69		DIPIETRO ANTONIA H	017005001000	959.06
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,207.43		DIPIETRO LAWRENCE C JR	017055002000	786.75
	FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,134.03		FALUKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,383.83
	RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,488.26		GRAHAM BEATRICE HEIRS OF	018031000000	140.85
2001	AMRESCO NEW HAMPSHIRE INC	010013000000	2,521.20		GEROW SUSAN	021018001000	1,107.82
	CARTER ROBERTA LYNN	81708700C000	76.40		NORTON BERDENA HEIRS OF	022019000000	1,684.04
	COGSWELL ANNA K	01804900J000	672.32		RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,972.28
	CURTIS ALICE	010015000000	1,256.78		RUMERY DAN	01203800A001	912.55
	FAULKNER CAROLINE	01809000L000	1,149.82				
	MANSON OSCAR R SR	02602100C000	0.00				
	RANDALL JOHN B II	00301000K000	2,589.96				

Outstanding Tax Liens Prior to 2006 as of June 30, 2008

YEAR	BILL NAME	PROPERTY ID	Balance	YEAR	BILL NAME	PROPERTY ID	Balance
1990	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	\$ 82.57	1999	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	\$ 69.73
1991	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	90.41	2000	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	69.73
1993	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	59.28	2001	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	70.67
1994	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	62.89	2002	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	77.33
1995	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	64.60	2003	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	104.73
1996	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	65.17	2004	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	106.79
1997	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	65.17	2005	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	106.79
1998	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	67.64	2006	FOSTER JAMES L	818093000000	159.63



CODES ENFORCEMENT

Fred Reeder *codes enforcement officer*

For the second year in a row, Freeport saw a decline in the number of building permits issued for the construction of single-family dwellings. This year, only 26 permits were issued, while the yearly average is about 42. No permits were issued for duplex or multi family units, where the average per year is typically 5 and 8 respectively. We continue to see residential upgrades and additions as the greater portion of permits issued.

Five permits were issued for commercial construction, slightly lower than the average and the number issued over the past few years. Most of the commercial permits were for relatively small projects with the exception of Freeport Village Station which is one of the largest projects constructed in the downtown area in recent years. The project includes 550 parking spaces and 118,000 square feet of retail/restaurant/office space. The project is scheduled to open in Spring 2009.

The Board of Appeals was busy reviewing applications. The Board reviewed 19 applications for setback reductions and/or variances, one application for a mislocated building appeal, and one request for a variance to the Freeport Sign Ordinance. The question of functional division pertaining to residential land use has appeared twice. The issue has been given to the Planning Board for language review.

The Town will be adopting new Shoreland Zoning regulations and a new statewide building code in the coming year.

As always, we are here to answer any questions you may have regarding residential and commercial building projects in the Town of Freeport. We encourage you to contact our office prior to starting a construction project of any size.

Building Permit History	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	Average
Single Family Units	42	39	39	41	60	50	48	28	26	41.44
Duplex Units	2	6	10	0	2	2	12	16	0	5.56
Multi Family Units	0	0	21	0	0	27	4	11	0	7.00
Mobile Homes	11	6	11	6	3	6	4	6	10	7.00
New Commercial Construction	4	4	11	8	8	5	7	8	5	6.67
Total Units	59	55	92	55	73	89	85	69	41	68.67

These numbers are broken down by fiscal year. The numbers are compiled from the official permit log of the Freeport Codes Enforcement Department. Numbers can be verified and missing numbers can be obtained by reviewing this log. These numbers indicate units permitted and do not take into consideration replacement units or whether or not the unit was actually built.

Construction of Freeport Village Station





GENERAL ASSISTANCE

Johanna Hanselman *general assistance administrator*

It is with great pleasure that I submit the report of the General Assistance office for the fiscal year 2008. The Town of Freeport continues to serve as the Regional General Assistance Office for residents from the towns of Freeport and Yarmouth. The administration of general assistance requests shall continue to be handled in accordance with applicable Maine State Law and in accordance with the General Assistance Ordinance and Appendixes adopted by the towns of Freeport and Yarmouth. Applications may be obtained at the Freeport Town Office located at 30 Main Street in Freeport and appointments for review of general assistance requests and applications can be directed to the Freeport General Assistance Office (865-4743 x120) unless there is a hardship regarding an inability to travel to the Freeport Office. In such event, arrangements will be made with the applicant to meet for an appointment at the Yarmouth Town Office, or if necessary or appropriate, at the applicant's home.

The winter of 2007-2008 saw record high home heating prices which resulted in more people than ever turning to the Town and other agencies for help to get them through the winter safely. Many of those in need consisted of households over the income guidelines for existing heating assistance programs and the General Assistance Program, such as those on social security or those reliant on making it by on minimum-wage incomes. In an effort to assist those not qualifying for these programs, but unable to afford the drastic increase in heating prices, the Town of Freeport established a Heating Assistance Fund which was funded entirely through private donations and administered through the General Assistance Office. Through the generosity of our local citizens and businesses, over thirty additional households were assisted with emergency heating fuel totaling over \$8,500.00. Donations continue to be accepted and will be used to assist those in need during the 2008-2009 and future heating seasons (Donations can be made to: Town of Freeport Fuel Assistance Fund, 30 Main Street, Freeport, Maine 04032).

In addition to the assistance provided by the General Assistance Program, approximately \$9,900 was awarded to 73 Freeport

individuals for financial help with medical expenses during the past fiscal year. This money is generated through the Gould and Davis Trust Funds and provides financial assistance with hospital expenses, prescription drugs, physician visits and dental emergencies. Applications for these funds are available through this office and Freeport residents are eligible based on financial need.

The General Assistance Office, in collaboration with other Departments and agencies, continues to develop and engage in programs that benefit residents in this community. In 2007, the Town of Freeport and Freeport Housing Trust applied for and was awarded a grant for \$31,544 from the Cumberland County CDBG Program to begin a rehabilitation program for sub-standard mobile homes. The Town hired the Peoples Regional Opportunity Program (PROP) to provide rehab tech and loan administrative services and the Freeport Housing Trust and the Town provided in-kind program administration services. A priority list of applicants was established, consisting of low-income residents who were either elderly or handicapped. Home inspections revealed that the majority of these homes required replacement. By working with PROP, additional funds from Maine Housing were leveraged. With these additional funds, the program was able to replace four homes (two of which are handicapped accessible). The Town was awarded another grant in 2008 and the hope is to complete repairs or replacements for three or four more mobile homes during the next fiscal year.

I would like to take this opportunity to express how fortunate Freeport is to have so many dedicated individuals and organizations who work together to offer services to Freeport residents, including Town employees, Freeport Community Services, local clergy, school personnel, senior citizen representatives, and police personnel.



TOWN PLANNER

Donna Larson *town planner*

The Planning Board has been updating sections of the 1994 Comprehensive Plan over the last few years. This year, the Freeport Town Council asked the Planning Board to look at the Plan in its entirety and make updating recommendations. A section on energy will be added to the Plan. The process started by conducting a Community Attitude Survey in the winter of 2007. The survey covered areas such as residential and economic development, town services, transportation, energy, recreation and open space, and housing. Over 2,500 surveys were sent out with a response rate of 28%. (Complete results of the survey are available on the Town's website or at the Planning Office at the Freeport Town Hall). The results of the survey are being used by the Planning Board as they work on the Comprehensive Plan updates. The Board is proposing informational meetings as an opportunity for public input on their recommendations.

With input from property owners along the Route One South corridor, the Planning Board concluded the process of updating the Comprehensive Plan and the associated ordinance amendments for that area. The approved changes are intended to be friendlier to small business and allow for higher residential development while ensuring quality building construction and minimizing traffic congestion. These recommendations were adopted by the Freeport Town Council in May of 2008. A copy is available on our website or in the Planning Office at the Freeport Town Hall.

This year, the Board also made a recommendation to amend the section of the Zoning Ordinance regarding peddler's carts; they

developed criteria for applications for Contract Zoning, and made recommendations for regulating colors within a portion of Freeport's Design Review District. The Board also adopted *Rules, Orders, and Procedures*, a document which will help the Board to conduct meetings in an orderly manner while maximizing input from the Board members and the public. The Project Review Board is also working on adopting a similar document.

Applications to the Project Review Board for commercial and residential development, for the most part, were smaller than past years. However, the Board did approve some large projects including a 31-lot subdivision off Litchfield Road, a 155 unit retirement community in the area of Stagecoach Road/Pine Street, a new building off Noble Drive, and a crematory at the Burr Cemetery. In total, the Board reviewed 16 applications for site plan approval or site plan amendments, 4 applications for change of uses and 34 applications for Design Review Certificates. With our streamlined review process, some of the different types of reviews were done simultaneously.

Summary of Major Site Plans

FY 2008 (July 1, 2007 – June 20, 2008)

Bennett Engineering - Site Plan Amendment **New Storage Building**
Greystone / Freeport Living Retirement Community **Retirement Community**
Lighthouse Crematory **New Building**
Maine Sailing Partners **New Building**
Freeport Sewer District - Control Building **Addition**
American Eagle Self Storage **Change of Use**
Shaw's at Freeport Crossing **Greenhouse**
Leon Gorman Park **Park**
Recompence Shore Campground **Site Modifications**
LL Bean - Cross Street Parking Lot **72 Space Parking Lot**
Exit 20 LLC Office Building **Site Plan Renewal**
Total Concepts Inc - US Route One **Site Plan Renewal**

The Staff Review Board meets on an as needed basis and typically reviews smaller projects. This year the Board reviewed more applications than in past years. They approved 6 applications for change of uses, one for a wireless telecommunication antenna, and one fill permit.



Caroline Pelletier
assistant to the town planner



FREEPORT CABLE TV

Rick Simard *cable director*

It is my pleasure to submit the report of Freeport Cable TV 3 for the year ending June 30, 2008. Freeport Cable TV 3 continues its commitment of providing Public Access Television for the cable television subscribers and the citizens of The Town of Freeport.

FCTV 3 continues the cable casting of Town Council, Planning Board, Project Review Board, Shellfish Commission, and School Committee meetings. The coverage of many meetings of the Reorganizational Planning Committee provided additional programming for FCTV. Freeport Cable TV also produced and cable cast other town functions including The Lioness Variety Show, July 4th Parade, and Ed Bonney's Election Special.

FCTV 3 continues its investment in community television and continues to produce and cable cast programming to Freeport. Local producer Ed Bonney and his Election Special, and Conversations Series continue to be a hit in the community.

The Cable Franchise Negotiation Committee continues negotiating a franchise agreement with the cable company, Comcast. The committee remains focused on providing the Town of Freeport and cable television subscribers with an agreement, and has great expectations of settling on a television franchise agreement that will not only support public access television but also provide a fair and reasonable agreement for the subscriber on cable television service.

As always, if you have an idea for a public access television program please contact FCTV. We continue to remain available for help and guidance to make your local television experience enjoyable and memorable.

FCTV 3 production support includes Ed Bonney, Devon Ertha, John Goran, Debora Levensailor, Brian Lougee, Brian Lydon, Steve McPheters, Gage Simard, Sean Simard, Mike Williams, and many others. Without the dedicated volunteer production crew, programming options would be very limited. Extreme thanks for your dedication to community television.

Members of the Freeport Cable TV Regulatory Board, and the Cable Franchise Negotiation Committee are to be commended for all their work and their dedication of service to the citizens of the Town of Freeport.





FIRE-RESCUE

Darrel G. Fournier *fire-rescue chief*

It gives me great pleasure to submit the Freeport Fire-Rescue Department annual report for July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Our career Firefighter/Paramedic staff covering 24 hours a day still remains at one and our Non-Emergency per-diem crews are also responding to emergency calls on a daily basis when available. We have added a position to the upcoming budget year of a per-diem FF/EMT to work with our career staff from 8am to 5pm, daily.

Calls for Service: The Fire and Rescue Department responded to 1,710 calls for emergency service. We also responded to 2,037 NET calls. This gives us an average of 4.68 calls for service per day. The community experienced a dollar loss of \$506,507 during this reporting period. This includes losses from vehicle fires, several boat fires, and structure fires. Our Incident model shows that the busiest times are during 6am to 10pm, when many of our personnel are at their full time jobs and unavailable to respond to emergency calls.

Staffing: Maintaining a strong call force for fire and rescue operations continues to be an on-going challenge in both Freeport and the State of Maine. Current career staffing of one firefighter/paramedic on duty at the station 24 hours a day does not meet the minimum requirements of NFPA 1720 which recommends a minimum of four personnel responding to all Fire emergency responses. Therefore, we still rely heavily on our call force to respond to these emergencies. Housing costs in the area of Freeport, increased gas prices to members responding in their private operating vehicles, and decreased time available from

members due to family and work demands are the main issues that have lowered our pool of department call members. As members come from the outskirts of Town or other areas, our response times increase when staffing apparatus for emergencies.

Training: Members spend a lot of time training throughout the year. These include in-house trainings and training at other locations including out of state. We offer 6 – 8 monthly in-house training opportunities for our fire and EMS members which include rural water shuttle, ground ladders, fire ground operations, SCBA, cardiac emergencies, ALS/BLS skills assessment, and many more. Our EMS members are required to attend a certain number of hours to maintain their Maine EMS licenses each year. Many of our members have also put in the extra time and upgraded their license level in order to provide a higher level of service to our patients. To upgrade from an EMT Basic to an Intermediate requires over 120 hours of class time and over 100 hours of

Public Safety Reminders

Establish a Fire Escape Plan for your home and business: Recent studies have shown that flashover in home fires occurs within 3-5 minutes of ignition. Establishing a quick and well-known fire escape plan for your home and business can ensure that residents, employees and customers escape quickly and safely.

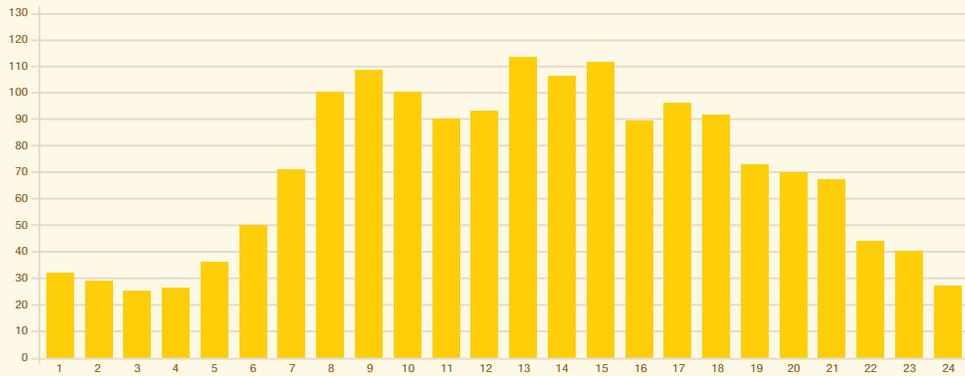
Keep Medical Refrigerator Cards available for emergency responders: For someone having a cardiac event (heart attack), lack of oxygen to the brain can cause damage within as little as 4 minutes. Our trained personnel can handle fire and medical emergencies more quickly and effectively if they know of important medical information pertaining to patients. Refrigerator Cards are available at the Public Safety Building and should be completed in order to document important medical information for responders so that patients get the best and most immediate care possible.

Fire Facts & Safety Information are available at our front office area. The more you know, the safer you will be and the better we can serve you.



Paul Conley
deputy fire-rescue chief

INCIDENTS BY TIME OF DAY



clinical time. All new firefighters coming on the Department are required to go through Firefighter I/II training for certification in basic firefighting skills if they do not already have the certificate. This is a 4 month intensive training that requires the member to train 8 to 16 hours every weekend, along with homework reading assignments. Our overall goal within the Department is to continue to cross train our members for both Fire and EMS.

Grants: This past year our Department received several grants for equipment, the largest being FEMA's Assistance to Firefighters Grant for the purchase of new SCBA (Self Contained Breathing Apparatus) systems, which included new packs, bottles and masks, in the amount of \$171,475. This large grant saved the Town of Freeport thousands of dollars that would have had to be spent through Capital Improvements Funding and updated all our SCBA to current requirements and safety standards. We also received a grant from MEMA that went towards the equipment and operation of the EOC (Emergency Operations Center) located in the Annex building. Freeport received a forestry grant for \$3500 which was used to purchase wild land fire pumps. With the money received from the annual donations letter, over \$6,000, we were able to purchase Large Area Search and Rescue equipment. We will be conducting training with this equipment in the fall of 2008. Thanks to all that donated.

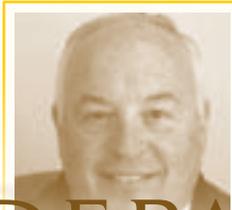
Public Education - Services: Our members also spend a lot of time conducting public education tours in-house and at locations such as daycares, schools, and other public activities. We conduct a very successful annual Open House during fire prevention week each October. Our staff regularly attends the local road races, triathlons, bike races, parades, and LL Bean concert events to assure the public has rapid response of emergency services. Even though these events do not create a strain on our budget because the event usually compensates for the emergency coverage, it does create a strain on our call force by extending their requirements of service.

Commercial Growth: In dealing with our local commercial businesses and fire safety, staff conducts NFPA LIFE SAFETY CODE fire safety inspections of all the locations that the public enters, i.e. schools, campgrounds, and motels/hotels on an annual basis. We also provide and maintain fire alarm protection services by hooking up commercial properties to the city firebox system to allow for a rapid notification to our dispatch center of a fire alarm (smoke or otherwise). The chief is involved in many aspects of planning as new buildings are constructed assuring that all fire safety issues are addressed. The continued growth of our commercial structures and businesses is only going to increase our emergency response demands over the years as the Town grows and service demands are added.

Technology Advances: All of our Ambulances have added a laptop for taking and reporting patient information for services. This system will enable us to have less paper usage and will eventually ease data entry for our billing department. These laptops were purchased under the CIP program, which, for our rescue department, the CIP expenditures are paid from our emergency revenues received from our ambulance billing instead of bonding or other revenue means.

As the Town of Freeport continues to grow, I want to assure all citizens that Freeport Fire-Rescue intends to provide high quality services to our residents and visiting non-residents at all times. Our staff is here for you 24 hours a day, regardless of the "demands" on their time, for emergencies.

In closing, I would like to thank the members and their families for the outstanding service they give to this community 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. I would also like to thank the Town Council and our citizens for their commitment to our Department and its members.



POLICE DEPARTMENT

Gerald B. Schofield *chief of police*

In October of 2007, the police department celebrated the retirement of two long-time members. Patrolman Robert F. Fusselman retired after working for 38 years as a member of the Police Department. Bob was well known and respected in the community. Bob also worked with the Freeport Fire Department for 35 years. Reserve Patrolman Henry J. Sydlowski "Syd" also retired after working for 33 years as a member of the Police Department. Prior to his employment in Freeport, Syd had been a full-time officer in Vermont. Both officers have provided the community with many years of dedicated service. We wish them well in their new endeavors.

This fiscal year also brought some additional changes to the staffing of the Police Department. Patrolman David Stailing left our department to follow in his father's footsteps at the South Portland PD. Officer Stailing had served the Town of Freeport for nine years. Officer Archie Juntura left our department and returned to California for family reasons. Officer Juntura had worked for the Town of Freeport for one year. We wish both of these officers the best of luck with their new careers. With the retirement and loss of these officers, the police department hired three new officers: Patrolman Timothy Dalton, Patrolman Thomas Gabbard and Patrolman Brandon Paxton.

Throughout the year, the Police Department received a number of grants from the Bureau of Highway Safety to conduct speed enforcement and seat belt safety details. The department also received grant funds to continue its efforts to reduce underage drinking. Throughout this period, various enforcement programs were conducted. Some details were directed toward monitoring specific events. Other details were compliance checks to see if local distributors were properly checking identification when selling alcoholic beverages.

CHIEF Gerald B. Schofield

LIEUTENANT Susan B. Nourse

SERGEANTS John D. Perrino & Nathaniel Goodman

PATROLMEN Michael K. McManus, Paul E. Chenevert, Paul A. Powers, Gino Bianchini, Joseph Pelletier, Timothy Dalton, Thomas Gabbard, Brandon Paxton

DISPATCHERS Kenneth E. Baird, Bradford M. Holden, Kurt Nielsen, Mari-Melinda Smith

RESERVE OFFICERS Jeff McAllister, Jason Bartlett, Jason Warlick

PART-TIME DISPATCHERS Beverly True & Michael Hanson

SHELLFISH WARDEN Tom Kay

SECRETARY Gabrielle N. Tilton

Other highlights of the year included the following:

- The members of the Police Department participated in the annual Maine Special Olympics Torch Run and other fund-raising events.
- Our officers responded to approximately 8800 calls for service.
- Our department made 255 arrests.
- The Police Officers handled 383 motor vehicle accidents.

In conclusion, I would like to thank the citizens of Freeport, the business community, the town administrators and the elected officials for their continued support. The members of the Police Department are here to serve the community. We offer a wide variety of safety programs. Please contact us if we can be of service to you or your organization. Also, if you have any comments on how we can better serve the community, please let us know.

PUBLIC WORKS

James Plummer *public works director*

Public works construction projects:

Forest Street and Cottage Street was our major construction project for the year. We replaced stormwater catch basin frames and covers, repaired sewer basins and replaced the gravel sub-base of the road. Once this work was completed, we paved the road, installed curbing as needed for drainage flow and loamed and seeded the shoulders of the road.

Town Wide Projects:

Summer Street: We reconstructed a section of sidewalk on Summer Street.

South Street: We reconstructed a section of the sidewalk by the elderly housing complex.

Morse Street drainage project: We installed a new catch basin and drainage pipe to solve a water problem at the Morse Street School.

Library Gazebo: We cleared an area at the library and installed a gravel sub-base for the installation of a gazebo in front of the Library.

Drainage Projects: The following is a list of the roads and streets where we repaired and upgraded storm water catch basins, road cross culverts and ditched shoulders of the road for water drainage: Deerfield Road, Wardtown Road, Hunter Road, Burnett Road, Sequoia Drive, Ledgewood Drive, Lunt Road and Baker Road.

Maintenance Projects:

In the spring of each year the Department does a town wide street sweeping program. Once this has been completed we do our town crosswalks, direction arrows, and parking striping. We have our catch basins cleaned by contractual services. Grading our gravel roads is done at this time and we grade them throughout the summer season as needed.

Capital Equipment Purchased:

We replaced one of our aging dump trucks this year.

Winter Season:

We had 26 snow storms this winter season. Total snow accumulation was 111 inches for the Freeport area. We used 2019 tons of road salt, 3000 yards of winter sand, and 4700 gallons of liquid calcium chloride.

I would like to thank our public works crew, other town departments, the Town Council and the citizens of Freeport for their continued support of the Department.



Hunter Road Drainage Slip Lining Existing Culvert (54" pipe)

COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Beth Edmonds *library director*

Freeport Community Library serves the residents of Freeport, Pownal and Durham. We offer 42.5 hours of service each week reaching approximately 6000 patrons. In this year of increasing energy costs we are finding a rise in our number of patrons as people decide to borrow instead of buy books and audio materials.

Our collection of over 56,000 volumes including magazines, DVDs and videos, audiobooks, CD's and special collections on local history and sportsmen continues to be well used. Our growing foreign film collection is getting much use. We provide income tax forms, wireless internet, public computers, author talks, a knitting and craft group and monthly art exhibits.

This summer's reading program, "Catch the Reading Bug", sponsored by L.L. Bean, was well received and young people and their families got to observe the ant farm and watch butterflies' metamorphosis from larvae to butterfly. This fall we have instituted a Teen Advisory Committee. With the input from this group, Holly Elliott, our assistant children's librarian, and our library consultant, Pam Goucher, we are renovating the Young Adult room and expanding into the old computer lab. This expansion



Front Row (l to r): Beth Edmonds, Elaine Schmidt, Joanne Libby, and Vicki Lowe Back Row (l to r): Helen Fournier, Belinda Stewart, Holly Elliott, Cathy Wagner, and Arlene Arris

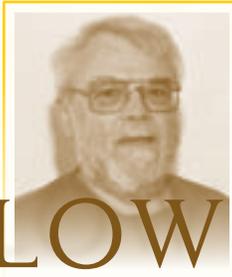
As in the past, Freeport residents volunteer over 200 hours here in the library in some capacity. We are very grateful for their help. If you are interested in joining them, please inquire at the front desk.

will better serve the young adults and more completely address their internet and literary needs.

Gifts: The Freeport Community Library welcomes all gifts that enhance the Library's collection or assist the Library in carrying out its mission. Gifts will be used to enable the Library to provide and improve services and facilities in areas that are not possible within the annual operating budget appropriated by the Town and taxpaying residents of Freeport. Restricted gifts will be welcomed as long as they are consistent with Library objectives. The Library Director has full authority to make final decisions regarding specific acquisitions of materials, equipment and programs.

Memorial Gifts may be made in honor of a loved one or friend as a lasting tribute. These gifts may designate a specific program or project, or may be unrestricted. For further information, contact the Library staff.

Gifts by Bequest and Planned Giving offers you the satisfaction of knowing that you are contributing to the ongoing support of the Library's mission in the Freeport community. With some planning a gift to the Library can benefit both the Library and create tax advantages for the donor. For further information, contact the Library Director at 865-3307.



WINSLOW PARK

Bart Carhart *park manager*

“Camp Seaside” got off to a big start in early July. This program, sponsored by Freeport Community Education, provides a day camp experience at Winslow Park for Freeport children ranging in age from 7 to 10 years. Activities include arts and crafts, swimming, games, kayaking, weekly barbeques and sports.

This season, Winslow Park sponsored its seventh concert series on Thursday evenings during July and August. The series featured local bands and entertainment. The concerts were attended by campers as well as day users.

Park usage was demonstrated in the sale of Seasonal Day Use passes. During the season 429 passes were sold with 308 of the passes issued to Freeport residents. Overall, it is estimated that over 45,000 day users visited Winslow Park. Campsite occupancy during the season was 55% with weekend occupancy during July and August at 100%. Harb Cottage, as usual, was rented every week of the summer season. Some 243 families participated in the lottery to determine which families would rent the cottage for the 18 weeks it was available. In addition, the Winslow Park Commission donated one week’s use of Harb Cottage to Freeport Community Services for auctioning off as a fundraiser.

During August and September, the Park hosted many events including weddings, family and class reunions, and company picnics. On September 15th Winslow Park was host to the Lobsterman Triathlon. The event attracted over 600 athletes and many spectators.

During the fall and winter months, Winslow Park’s playground and hiking and jogging trails were utilized by fitness and outdoor enthusiasts, and, once the snow came, cross-country skiing was enjoyed by many. Freeport residents also used the Park to exercise their pets, enjoy the great views and to partake of its’ peace and tranquility. From January to May, Harb Cottage was rented by a local person.

In late April/early May, the Park’s maintenance and gatehouse staff began preparations for the coming summer season with trail

maintenance, clean-up, making ready the bathroom and shower facilities, installation of docks and floats and registering seasonal and day campers. At the end of May, Park staff participated in a training program sponsored by Maine’s Healthy Beaches Program. The training foreshadowed the Park’s participation in an ongoing program to sample and test the quality of water at the Park’s tidal swimming beach. Testing revealed the beaches’ water quality to be satisfactory.

During the Spring and Fall, the Park hosted several “fun runs” sponsored by Freeport Community Education for school-aged children. In late May, the Park’s campground was opened to 30 seasonal campers and on Memorial Day weekend the campground officially opened.

The ninth annual Family Fun Day was held on June 14th. The day started off with 5k and 10k races sponsored by the Rotary Club. Following the races, free hot dogs and Ben & Jerry’s ice cream were served. Lawn games, including three-legged races and egg throwing, were held for “children” of all ages. Many participated in the art projects program. Admission to the Park was free during the day.

Also during June, a breakfast for this year’s Freeport High School graduates was held. Several Freeport and other area schools held class day picnics at the Park during the last weeks of the school year. Also, during the camping season, two weeks, one in June and one in September, were set aside for Freeport residents to camp free at the Park. Seventy-two campsites were used by Freeport families during these two weeks.

The Winslow Park Commission and the Park staff want to thank the residents of Freeport and other communities for using Winslow Park and hope that your visit was an enjoyable experience. We look forward to serving you in the future.



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Stephanie Slocum *executive director*

The Freeport Economic Development Corporation (“FEDC”) experienced a year of significant progress. Not only did the FEDC totally revise their web site (www.freeportecon.com) leading to increased visitation to more proactively address questions of potential businesses interested in locating in Freeport, we also recommended the approval of a Tax Increment Financing (“TIF”) proposal to Freeport’s Town Council for the most significant economic development project in years, the Freeport Village Station, and developed a new strategic vision for the organization.

A lot of energy was put into a reflective review by the FEDC Board of the organization’s role and how to most effectively meet its goals. The Board recognized a need to be more representative of the community at large, including both commercial and residential interests as well as to be more visible and open. To that end, the following are the revised mission statement and goals for the FEDC:

Goals:

Shape the future of Freeport by fostering the retention of current businesses and working to attract new, quality businesses that enhance the Town and expand tax revenues

Diversify the economic growth of Freeport’s commercial property tax base to achieve a more balanced tax structure to maintain and improve critical municipal and school services and facilities by continuing to develop the existing business base

Strengthen the educational, cultural, recreational, health, safety, and community amenities and protect the authenticity of the Freeport community while driving economic vitality that results in a high quality of life for its residents

Unify the business, municipal government and school communities around a common, shared vision that welcomes quality businesses and promotes the Town for the good of its fiscal structure and residents, resulting in a reputation as a supportive, business-friendly environment

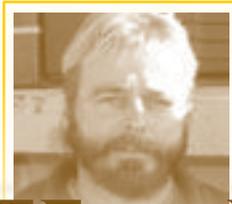
Our Mission

to partner with the community to promote sustainable economic growth that strengthens and diversifies the economic base and enhances the quality of life and unique character of Freeport.

Additional highlights of the year included:

- Acquisition and installation of trailblazing, directional sign at Exit 20 and Historic B&Bs sign at Mallett Drive and Main Street
- Leadership of stakeholders group exploring potential of Chamber of Commerce group
- Created (in partnership with USM’s Small Business Development Centers) an outreach office in Freeport to meet with local business owners to offer business guidance
- Leadership of Train Station Planning Committee to prepare for the arrival of the Downeaster train service in 2010
- Continued partnership with MCBDP Regional Economic Development Alliance and GPCOG’s CEDS effort to boost regional economic growth
- Continued participation with Midcoast Regional Redevelopment Authority (MRRA) to prepare and plan for the closing of Brunswick Naval Air Station
- Collaborated with regional planners to develop a regional food cluster including agriculture and aquaculture producers, storage and distribution centers and restaurant and retail outlets

The FEDC is poised to proactively and positively contribute to the quality of life in Freeport for our business community as well as our residents.



SOLID WASTE & RECYCLING

Mike Pottle *recycling facility manager*

The Town of Freeport has one of the top municipal recycling rates in the State of Maine. This fiscal year the Town was calculated to have a state recycling rate of 57.4%-- up 5% from the previous fiscal year. This number represents the total percentage of solid waste that is reclaimed or recycled. The recycling containers located throughout the Town contributed about 455 tons of recyclable material, and the Recycling Center collected about 681 tons of recyclable material. While the "Silver Bullet" recycling containers are convenient for many residents, they also save the Town from paying for the disposal of this recycled material. The Town benefits even more if the recyclable material is delivered directly to the transfer station. Overall, residential recycling and reuse saved an estimated \$105,000 in disposal costs.

Clean up week in June has become more popular over the years, and it is one of the Town's most requested and anticipated events. The citizens of Freeport use this time to both clean-up, and to gather as a community and reconnect. It is a successful, free program that runs more smoothly every year. This year there were over 450 vehicles during clean up week that produced over 650 tons of material to the transfer station!

Licensed garbage collectors delivered approximately 2,064 tons of residential waste to Ecomaine for disposal. This represents a reduction of almost 100 tons from the previous year, further indicating that Freeport is reducing the amount of solid waste requiring disposal.

The residents have donated nearly \$9,000.00 in returnable bottles to the Freeport Community Service programs. Returnable



From left: Mike Pottle, Brian Rumery and Josh Harriman

RESIDENTIAL RECYCLING AT THE TRANSFER STATION

Cardboard	215.42 tons
Newspaper	216.80 tons
Mixed paper	98.58 tons
Glass	9.43 tons
Tin cans/Aluminum foil	7.79 tons
Plastics	15.41 tons
Metals	162.45 tons
Yard/Leaf Waste	110.00 tons

CONVENIENT RECYCLING AT THESE TRAILER LOCATIONS

- The Village Market > South Freeport Road
- Doherty's Market > Wardtown Road
- West Street Fire Barn > West Street

Hours: 24/7

containers can be dropped off at the Public Safety Building/ West Street recycling site, and at the Recycling Center. Great job!

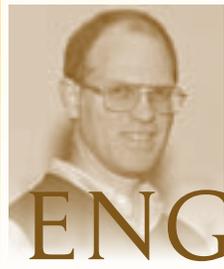
The Universal Waste Program at the Recycling Center is growing stronger by the year. The Town collected almost 200 tons of computer monitors, fluorescent lamps and mercury thermometers that have been banned from disposal in landfills or incinerators.

The Recycling/ Solid Waste Committee was active with education activities and providing guidance to the Town staff on a number of issues. Education efforts included the preparation of notices in a local publication about recycling benefits and opportunities, as well as including recycling information with the Town-wide mailing about the Spring Clean-up event. They also promoted backyard composting with the sale of composters at the Recycling Center in the spring.

The staff at the Recycling Center/ Transfer Station and the members of the Recycling/ Solid Waste Committee thank the citizens of Freeport for using the Recycling Center on Hedgehog Mountain Road and at the other recycling sites around town. Your efforts benefit the environment, save natural resources and reduce disposal costs!

My motto: Recycle, Reduce, Restore and Reuse!

TOWN ENGINEER



Albert Presgraves *town engineer*

The Town Engineer provides a range of engineering and related services to the Town. One of the primary responsibilities of the Town Engineer is to provide technical review and inspections of commercial projects for the Town Planner. In addition, the Town Engineer provides staff support to the Traffic & Parking Committee, and works closely with the Public Works Department to implement public projects. He also provides assistance with environmental and other regulatory issues.

A very large and important commercial project started construction in September, 2007: the Freeport Village Station retail development and parking garage, located between Main Street, Mill Street, and Depot Street. This project includes some significant public improvements including the reconstruction of Depot Street between Bow Street and Grove Street, and upgrades to both the public and private stormwater management systems in this part of Town. This infrastructure work was largely completed by July, 2008, but the final paving and curbing will not be complete until 2009.

In February, 2008, the Maine Department of Transportation (DOT) determined that Pritham's Bridge over the Little River on Burnett Road was unsafe, and that it needed to be permanently closed. Within a week, the bridge deck was removed by the DOT, and steel barriers were installed to prevent traffic from reaching the bridge abutments. Even before this unfortunate event occurred,



Temporary Pedestrian Bridge on Burnett Road

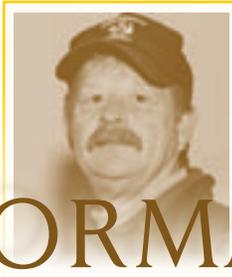
the Town Council had directed the Town Engineer to obtain prices for replacing the bridge, and this information was available soon after the bridge was removed. A referendum question to authorize a bond to pay for the cost of this replacement bridge was included on the ballot in the November, 2008 election.

A Maine DOT project to resurface the pavement on Main Street between West Street and Mallett Drive, as well as on Mallett Drive and South Street, was finally implemented. Work on Main Street and Mallett Drive was completed by June 30, 2008. The crosswalks were painted by the Public Works Department before the July 4th holiday. The South Street project was completed in July, 2008.

Since 2002, the Town has been regulated by the Maine DEP under a municipal Stormwater Permit. This permit expired on June 3, 2008, with a new permit to become effective on July 1, 2008. The end of the five-year permit period has resulted in a complete GIS map of the Town's storm drain sewer system, as well as many other activities that have maintained the Town's compliance with the permit. As part of this effort, the Town continued to promote the concept of Yardscaping, which is a combination of lawn care practices that reduce the use of fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides that can contribute to surface water contamination.

The Traffic and Parking Committee discussed various traffic and safety issues over the course of the year. The Town's first "speed table" was installed on Bow Street near the entrance to the new Leon Gorman Park to help reduce vehicle speed. A special committee established by the Town Council presented its report on parking issues in South Freeport at the end of 2007. After much discussion, the Committee decided to wait until after the summer of 2008 to review potential parking changes in South Freeport.

The Town Engineer continues to enjoy working with the Freeport community and other Town employees on the many interesting projects and activities that maintain and improve the quality of life in Freeport.



HARBORMASTER

Jay Pinkham *harbormaster*

It has been my pleasure to serve as your Harbormaster for the Town of Freeport for the past 16 years. As Harbormaster this office deals with a wide range of waterfront issues.

We assisted boats that were adrift, aground, hit by lightning, had engine failure, had a fire, had accidents, were overdue, lost in the fog, were stolen, sinking or sunk on the mooring, capsized or terminated for lack of safety equipment. We also separated boats hitting each other while on their moorings due to weather and tide conditions. We dealt with jet skis, kayaks, canoeists, water skiers, waterfowl, marine mammals, people in the water, animals in the water, medical aide, ice breaking, commercial marine salvage assistance, flare sightings, launching and hauling boats at Dunning's boat yard ramp. We do enforcement of speed and no wake zone and the tie up limits on town floats. We investigate oil spills, vandalism, and lost and found boats. We assist in patrolling events like the Lobstermen's Triathlon and the Town of Yarmouth's Clam Festivals' canoe race. During this period this office has seen and talked with over 120 kayakers and canoeists that have launched off of the Town floats.

We assist the Freeport Marine Patrol Warden, US Coast Guard, Department of Environmental Protection, Department of Marine Resources, Food Drug Administration, Maine Forest Service, Marine Mammal Lifeline, Maine Marine Patrol, US Army Corps Engineers, Aquaculture ventures, Freeport Shellfish Commission, Freeport's Islands and the Towns in and around Casco Bay.

This office also assists with water sampling of Freeport's Coastal Waters, and helps monitor the Shellfish protection areas. We provide boaters with an informational packet and explain to them that the Harraseeket River is a Shellfish Protection Zone and what they need to do to comply. All boat owners must have their overboard discharge system on board their boat closed and locked to prevent any accidental discharge into the waters. In the future all boats while moored in the Harraseeket River, will be required to have their Marine Sanitation Devices inspected.

Recently, Casco Bay and out 3 miles, is a no discharge zone for a Marine Sanitation Device aboard boats set by the DEP.

The Harbormaster and assistant annually attend the State of Maine Harbormasters Association Training Session at Maine Maritime Academy, the Search and Rescue Forum, and Maritime Security training put on by the US Coast Guard.

The Coastal Waters Commission has been very busy with waterfront issues, Ordinance updates and changes, and many other issues.





SHELLFISH WARDEN

Tom Kay *shellfish warden*

According to the Maine Department of Marine Resources (DMR), in 2007 Freeport had one of the largest shellfish harvests in the State. Shellfish continues to be ranked 3rd in the state among all marine organisms harvested following salmon and lobster. In 2007 shellfish harvested statewide had an economic value of \$12,253,206. The shellfish industry continues to be a vital yet fragile industry.

To ensure the health of the clam flats, Casco Bay has been designated as a “no discharge” zone for all boats. Because of potential pollution from boats with marine sanitation devices, the Maine DMR places a closure on the marina area during the peak boating season (May 1st to Dec. 1st) each year. The Shellfish Commission, along with the Harbormaster and local boatyard personnel, continue to educate boaters about the effects of overboard discharge and directs them to pump out sites available along the river. Local boaters are surveyed on an annual basis about boat usage and discharge systems.

This past year four new legislative bills (LD2039, LD2038, LD2129, and LD2160) were passed that directly affect the shellfish industry in a most positive way.

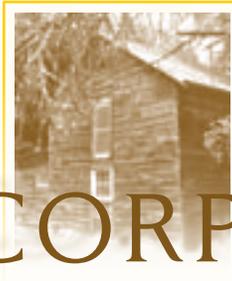
Our thanks to Senator Beth Edmonds and Representative David Webster for their tireless efforts in getting this accomplished.

In a joint effort, the Shellfish Warden, Maine DMR, the Harbormaster and the Shellfish Commission maintain a year round water quality monitoring schedule of all tidal areas in the Town of Freeport. The water quality in the majority of areas continues to test very well. Many thanks to the Freeport Harbormaster and the staff of the Freeport Sewer District for their continued work with the Shellfish Commission to maintain and manage as many open flats as possible.

Access to the flats is limited and, without the cooperation of businesses and private land owners, access would be much more difficult. On behalf of the commercial and recreational harvesters, I extend thanks and appreciation to all those who have been kind enough to allow access through their property.

There are many variables that influence the ability to maintain open harvesting and a healthy environment for the shellfish. These variables are monitored on a daily basis. To advise harvesters of current conditions, the State of Maine and the Town of Freeport have each established hotlines to advise about the condition of the clam flats. Please use this resource before going out to harvest. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to call (865-2904).

BUSTINS ISLAND VILLAGE CORPORATION



Pat LaFleur *board of overseers*

The Island's ferry, The Lilly B has been taken out of the water and put in storage. The Island Superintendent, Charlie Johnson, has hauled the public float and placed it in storage. The fire trucks, tractor, pickup trucks and equipment have been serviced and put to rest for the long winter season ahead.

The island opened in the spring after a long and snowy winter with only minimal damage to the roads and landscape. The superintendent with the help of several volunteers, especially from the Public Safety committee, got all the facilities and equipment prepared for the season, ready to go by Memorial Day as the Lilly B. ferry started its regular service. The rest of the summer was filled with many familiar as well as new events.

The Bustins Island Historical Society and the Cottagers Association of Bustins Island hosted many successful and enjoyable events through the summer. The annual Public Safety Day in August was well attended and a fun day was had as island residents were reminded of safety issues, refreshed their knowledge of emergency procedures and got continuing training on the operation of fire fighting equipment.

At our Annual Meeting in August, Faith Baker was elected to the Board of Overseers replacing Bill Roberts who served for two terms. Changes were made to update some of Bustins By-Laws, many from their original 1913 format. More updates for voter consideration are under study by the Island's By-Law Revisions Committee. Voters agreed to allow the Board of Overseers to officially close the island roads from November to April. This means that the BIVC is under no obligation to plow or otherwise maintain the roads during this designated off-season time.

Several medical emergencies this summer made us aware of improvements needed in communication and medical responses from the mainland. The Public Service Committee went to work and implemented new procedures in coordination with several departments in Freeport.

A new policy concerning dogs was recently approved by the Board of Overseers. The new policy is important for the safety of



2008 was another successful year for Bustins Island and its residents

Islanders as more and more dogs are brought to the Island every summer.

Based on recommendations from our Parking Committee, the Board of Overseers has replaced the committee with a single Parking Advisor and appointed Gwen Hendry to that position. The mission of the Parking Advisor is to keep islanders aware of parking and to advise the Board of Overseers of current and future parking needs.

The Steamer Dock was repaired in October, and a new roof put on the west side of the Library building. Three aging skylights were replaced and a new one installed over the post office area. After several major rain storms work is ongoing to maintain roads and drainage, handle brush and monitor the constant change in our shorelines.

Eighteen months after completing a large renovation project and applying to the DEP for a permit, we finally received our new Transfer Station license in October.

As in years past, we value our partnership with the Town of Freeport and the work of various Freeport Boards and officials in supporting and assisting Bustins in the ongoing work of coordinating our joint and separate activities.

FREEPORT HOUSING TRUST

John Egan *president*

Freeport Housing Trust: Providing affordable housing for Freeport families.

The Freeport Housing Trust (FHT) is a community-based nonprofit corporation whose mission is to provide safe, decent & affordable housing opportunities for the lower and moderate-income households of Freeport.

Freeport Housing Trust now owns 124 units of affordable rental housing. An additional 60 mobile home sites at Wardtown Park makes a total of 184 housing units taken out of the speculative housing market, and made available at affordable rates.

2008 Activities

Property Improvements: In an effort to maintain the quality of the housing we provide, FHT continues to explore ways to renovate and upgrade our rental properties. As energy prices climb and the implications of climate change become clear, FHT has undertaken to include energy conservation improvements in our renovation planning. During FY 2008 FHT commissioned energy audits of two of our properties, Village View and 50 Bow Street. The results of these audits show significant energy savings



can be obtained through cost-effective measures. The work at Village View will include replacement of the existing boilers in all 30 units with new super efficient models as well as insulation and air infiltration upgrades for a total budget of \$230,000. The four units at Bow Street will receive new kitchen cabinets and other interior upgrades along with a new roof and substantial upgrade of insulation and weather tightness. It is anticipated that work on both of these projects will begin soon and be completed by the end of calendar year 2008. A third green initiative completed in FY 2008 was switching out all lighting with CFL energy efficient fixtures and bulbs at our two senior properties, Oak Leaf Terrace and Brookside Village.

Mobile Home Repair and Replacement Program:

This program has evolved into a successful collaboration between the FHT, the Town, Peoples Regional Opportunity Program (PROP) and Cumberland County. Indeed, the Greater Portland Council of Governments honored the program with a Recognition Award for Best Practices in Regional Collaboration. During 2008 three seriously sub-standard mobile homes were replaced. Two of the replacements went to individuals with disabilities, providing them with accessible bathrooms and wheel chair ramps. The original grant amount of \$31, 544 was leveraged with over \$140,000 of funds from other sources available to PROP. Freeport Housing Trust worked with the Town to successfully apply for a second year of CDBG funding through the Cumberland County, receiving an award of \$40,000. Given the limited funds, priority has been given to households below 50% of median income with an elderly or disabled member. FHT continues to work closely with Town GA Director Johanna Hanselman to find families in need of housing assistance and to administer the grant. At the close of the year one more replacement home was in process with 2007 grant funds and additional applications were being reviewed and processed for inclusion in the 2008 funding. It is anticipated that four more needy households will be moving into new replacement mobile homes during FY 2009.

Timber Ridge Condominiums: In 2006 Freeport Housing Trust acquired an 8-unit rental property in the process of being

FREEPORT COMMUNITY SERVICES

Bob Lyman *executive director*



converted to condominiums. Timber Ridge Condominiums are located on Rt. 125 just over the line in Durham, but the property has often provided housing for people working in Freeport. The slow housing market has made re-selling these units a slow process, but enough units were sold to turn the condo association over to the new owners. One market-rate unit is still available, priced at \$117,900. Four units have been sold to households with incomes below 80% of median (\$43,520). FHT provided a \$30,000 subsidy to make the units affordable, investing a total of \$120,000 in the four units. Total housing costs for these households come in under \$900 per month; less than many families pay for rent. The subsidy is protected by a “soft second” mortgage as well as deed restrictions that will keep the unit perpetually affordable. FHT’s involvement in Timber Ridge follows the same model used to make 5 units at Griffin’s Woods affordable.

West Street Property: The successful conclusion of negotiations between the Town and the owners of Freeport Farms Condominium on West Street allowed the Town to work with FHT and Habitat to help meet community housing needs. Oak Leaf Terrace, our 26 unit senior property on South Street, abuts the town-owned property on West Street. FHT is very grateful to the Town for providing us with an additional strip of land from the back of the West Street property that will allow us to add more elderly housing units in the future.

\$550,000 gift turned into \$8 million in housing: Freeport Housing Trust has successfully utilized loan and grant funds available to nonprofit housing groups to leverage Pritham Singh’s initial gift of \$550,000 to purchase and/or develop a total of \$8 million worth of affordable housing properties. None of these properties will ever fall into the hands of absentee speculators. They will be perpetually maintained as an important asset to the Freeport community. Even though we are tax-exempt, FHT pays the Town over \$88,000 annually in real estate taxes on its properties.

Anyone in need of an affordable rental should contact Preservation Management at 865-9517.

Freeport Community Services (FCS) has now settled into its wonderful new facilities on Depot Street and continues to pursue its long-term mission including to:

- provide a forum for assessing community needs
- facilitate programs designed to address defined needs
- provide information and referral concerning social services and other human needs
- help people access services
- provide direct services when appropriate including the operation of a food pantry in order to provide free emergency food for people who need it in our communities and to
- provide opportunities for community members to support and participate as volunteers in a continuum of activities to benefit the community

To accomplish this mission, the Freeport Elders, the Teen Center, Freeport Childcare Services, the Clothes Tree Thrift Shop, the Food Pantry, Town agencies, the Conservation Trust and the staff and many volunteers of FCS work together out of the Community Center. There is constant activity as Clothes Tree shoppers mix with Freeport Elders activities, Food Pantry customers partake in Elders Pancake Breakfasts or town committee meetings are held amidst Teen Center after-school and evening gatherings.

We have witnessed increased requests for services even before the downturn in the economy. Particularly, need for food and heat assistance has been steadily rising while help with medical equipment loans and transportation to medical appointments are always in demand. This is especially true with the population of Freeport getting older.

As always, we are greatly thankful for the more than two hundred regular volunteers without whom we would be unable to deliver the services we do to the townspeople of Freeport and Pownal.



PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Elaine M. Tomaszewski *superintendent of schools*

Looking at the year in review a school theme that emerges is the three A's: **Accomplishments, Achievements and Accolades**

In keeping with our mission "To assure high quality learning for all students" our goals for the year focused upon: communication, curriculum, instruction & assessment, professional development, technology in support of learning, and facility improvements.

Significant **accomplishments** were achieved in all areas. Highlights include:

- Completion of curriculum writing for English Language Arts (Reading and Writing) and Math.
- Adopting a Math "series" (textbooks, materials, and professional development work) K-8,
- Forming a district-wide Safety Committee that met throughout the year and produced a comprehensive plan to ensure safety of our students, staff, and the community. The depth and quality of the plan could not have been achieved without the assistance and cooperation of our town safety experts- Chief Schofield, Chief Fournier, Deputy Chief Conley and School Resource Officer McManus.
- Award of a Healthy Maine Partnership grant enabling us to hire a School Health Coordinator. The coordinator will focus on all aspects of health and wellness for students and staff of the district, as well as how we can coordinate with programs in the community.
- A significant accomplishment this year was the result of the first "budget validation referendum" with voters passing the school budget by a wide margin. We appreciate this indication of support for the work we do on behalf of the children of Freeport.
- Our facilities are on the "continuous improvement" cycle as well. Thanks to voter bond support we were able to complete installation of 32 unit ventilators at the high school, repave and

improve the Morse street school parking lot for easier parking and safety, and complete outside lighting upgrades for all elementary and middle schools.

Achievement continues to be an area of continued focus and continuous improvement.

- Using the statewide Maine Educational Assessment (MEA) scores, over the past three years the percentage of Freeport students who meet or exceed standards has increased, and the percentage who do not meet the standards has declined.
- Our high school graduation rate exceeds the state average
- Our high school Junior's SAT results are above state averages and the ACT (American College testing) indicates students tested are "college ready" in the areas of English, Social Science and Math

Accolades are many. We are proud to honor Brenda White as our School Nurse of the Year, Dan Queior as Technology Educator of the Year, Linda Pritchard who was inducted into Maine's Educators Hall of Fame, and Craig Sickels as the Forecaster's Basketball Coach of the Year.

We are always proud of our students who receive awards in the areas of Academics, Athletics and the Arts on a regular basis. Please log on to our website **www.freeportpublicschools.org** to view the many impressive accomplishments.

Of all our accomplishments, one of the most important for us is receiving the School Match® "What Parents Want Award" indicating we are meeting the needs of parents choosing schools and they agree the Freeport Public Schools are quality schools.

Our schools exist for our children. High standards matter. We will continue to strive to become a high performing school system. We have the building blocks of a staff with a high level of expertise, a capable and knowledgeable school committee, and a supportive group of parents and community members who together help make our schools great.

On behalf of all of us in the Freeport Public Schools, a sincere thank you for your continued support.



FREEPORT RECREATION & COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Russell Packett *executive director*

Freeport Recreation and Community Education is dedicated to developing and maintaining a balanced program for all segments of the community in the areas of education, recreation, cultural and civic affairs, based on the identified needs of the community.

Adult Education and Enrichment Adult Education classes provide a variety of programs for the enrichment of Freeport's adult residents. Classes provide lifelong opportunities for new skills, vocational training, health, fitness and other quality enrichment pursuits. During the past year, the adult education program successfully ran over 100 classes and programs with a total enrollment of over 950 participants.

Some of the more popular programs include Adult Trips, Driver Education, Boater Safety, and Quilting. If you or someone you know has a special talent, skill, or interest to share, please contact us for a course proposal form. Your interests matter to us.

FRCE continues to offer GED and English Speakers of Other Languages programs. Adult opportunities in the areas of literacy, English language and high school education are offered free of charge and are supported by local, state and federal tax dollars.

Recreation The Recreation Division provides diverse programs and activities for Freeport's youth that build self-esteem, decrease boredom and offer healthy life choices. This past year a total of 163 youth recreation programs with enrollment of over 3,000 participants were offered by FRCE.

The department showed continued healthy enrollment in the ever-popular annual youth programs such as: Summer Day Camps, Harraseeket Harriers Running Programs, Soccer, and the various enrichment programs.

Laugh and Learn Day Care 2007/2008 marked the 8th year for our child-care program. FRCE offers Nursery School and Before or After school care options for Freeport residents. The programs, run at both the Morse Street and Mast Landing Schools, continue to show steady enrollment and provide quality care for

Community Recreation & Education Advisory Council

Susan Collins - Chair, Jim DeGrandpre, Melinda Doel, Gary Goodrich, Alicia Harding, Mike Loughlin, Rachel Rousseau, Beth Parker - School Committee Liaison

Freeport Recreation & Community Education Staff

Russell Packett, CPRP, Director
Anthony Johnson, Recreation Coordinator
Liz Burt, Adult Education Coordinator/ Administrative Secretary
Nicole Gagnon, Child Care Coordinator
Katie West, Teen Center Director
Rachel Mills, Administrative Secretary
Andrea Conner, Bookkeeping/Facility Scheduler

its participants. During the past year, over 90 families representing 110 children were enrolled in this program.

Special Events FRCE sponsors a number of annual town-wide events. FRCE is a proud sponsor of the Great Osprey Bike Challenge and 10K Ocean Run. These popular events generate much needed scholarship revenue that assists FRCE in providing the opportunity for all Freeport residents to participate in community programs. Last year the bike race attracted 67 cycling enthusiasts, while the road race saw 267 entrants. In addition, the annual Father Daughter Cotillion continues to be one of FRCE's most popular programs.

Information about FRCE, and our programming, can be found on the web at www.fce-online.com.

I would like to thank the FRCE staff for their hard work and dedication.

**David C. Webster**

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To my neighbors and Friends in Freeport,

Maine's economy is just a part of the national and global economy and we must be prepared for difficult months ahead. I will continue my commitment to bring more income tax and property tax relief to the people of Freeport and to work to encourage investment in economic development to bring business growth and job growth to Freeport and our surrounding communities.

During this year the Maine Legislature has addressed the declining revenue and increased costs of everything from road repairs, health and safety to nursing home services. Like each of our personal budgets, our state budget has had to shrink with these challenging times. Though we all might applaud reductions in spending in general terms, it is important to remember that such reductions have a direct impact upon us where we live and work. Less services, repairs and payment reductions have an adverse impact on our local economy during a downturn in the bigger economy.

Of the approximately \$2.6 billion that is budgeted by the State for each two year budget, 85%, or approximately \$2.2 billion, is returned to local communities all across the state, including Freeport, in payments to schools, municipalities, nursing homes, hospitals, roads and bridges, public safety and enforcement, water quality and a whole list of other items. Every cut in state spending directly hurts local services and people living in our town, and then tends to make worse the loss of revenue in our grocery stores, hardware stores, auto repair shops and a wide range of trades, people and services.

As this Legislature maintains a balanced budget my goal is to be as surgical as possible with cuts and to follow the recommendations by many economists who warn us to not make cuts that weaken our ability to quickly respond and grow when the economy begins to revive. My goal remains to keep an eye on spending while still doing what can be done to invest in economic opportunities for new businesses, to create good jobs, ensure affordable quality education and continue to strengthen the health and well being of both people and the beautiful place in which we live.

Maine is blessed with quality of place. This quality of place is what makes so many people want to come, return, or stay in Maine. We must continue to think creatively about how to preserve what is good and right and livable about the Town of Freeport and surrounding areas, while we also market our state, and Freeport, as a place for new businesses and a destination for travelers. We must do all that is necessary to retain and maximize this for the good of Maine's people and to the benefit of Maine's economy.

You have my commitment to do the best I know how to accomplish all this as I serve you. If you ever wish to talk or have a need for assistance with a state issue, please call me.

Respectfully,

Rep. David Webster

123rd Legislature
Senate of Maine
Office of the President



Dear Friends & Neighbors,

In the final year of the 123rd Legislative Session as your Senate President, I continued working to forge bipartisan agreements to build a better future for Maine people. Again this year the Legislature invested much time working on a supplemental budget for Maine to live within its means in a tight economy. We were faced with closing a \$190 million budget gap due to a downturn in the national economy. We balanced the budget by cutting spending and streamlining programs. In this session, we amended the school consolidation law to help preserve the community ties that are essential to productive schools.

The Legislature also moved forward to improve the safety of our bridges and roads. An Act to Keep Bridges Safe and Roads Passable was enacted, authorizing \$160 million in bridge improvements in Maine over the next four years. It authorized \$50 million in for much needed highway reconstruction projects. Also, funding to improve the railway from Portland to Brunswick was approved, opening the way for Downeaster passenger train runs through Freeport in the near future.

I encourage Freeport residents to apply for the Maine Property Tax and Rent Refund Program, otherwise known as "Circuit Breaker." Under the plan, eligible Maine homeowners and tenants can receive a partial refund of property taxes or rent paid on their primary residence. Refunds are up to \$2,000. To learn more about Circuit Breaker, call the Department of Revenue Services at 207-626-8475 or go to www.maine.gov/REVENUE/taxrelief/tnr.htm

Due to term limits, my service as your Senator ended on December 3, 2008. Through the four terms I was in the Senate, I have always been mindful of the best interests of Freeport and our residents. Now I return to work year 'round at the Freeport Community Library. My sincere appreciation goes out to everyone in Freeport who has been so helpful during the years I was your Senator.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Beth".

Beth Edmonds
President of the Senate

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Audit for the Year Ending June 30, 2008

The following excerpts have been extracted from the 2008 financial statements of the Town of Freeport, Maine, a complete copy of which is available for inspection at the Town Office. The excerpts included herein are:

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Trust Funds:

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AUDIT REPORT

Statement 1

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE

Statement of Net Assets

June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities	Business-type Activities	Total
ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 12,361,978	-	12,361,978
Investments	7,437,208	-	7,437,208
Receivables:			
Accounts, net	49,897	172,971	222,868
Intergovernmental	54,363	-	54,363
Taxes receivable	615,575	-	615,575
Tax liens	267,817	-	267,817
Internal balances	150,759	(150,759)	-
Inventory	51,962	-	51,962
Capital assets, net	32,376,181	46,940	32,423,121
Total assets	53,365,740	69,152	53,434,892
LIABILITIES			
Accounts payable and other current liabilities	1,875,153	28	1,875,181
Accrued wages and benefits payable	52,495	4,667	57,162
Compensated absences payable	202,200	-	202,200
Accrued interest	92,867	-	92,867
Noncurrent liabilities:			
Other long-term liabilities	1,156,333	-	1,156,333
Bonds due within one year	1,396,350	-	1,396,350
Bonds due in more than one year	9,834,500	-	9,834,500
Total liabilities	14,609,898	4,695	14,614,593
NET ASSETS			
Invested in capital assets, net of related debt	21,145,331	46,940	21,192,271
Restricted for:			
Special revenues	1,420,305	-	1,420,305
Capital projects	553,825	-	553,825
Nonexpendable trust principal	1,048,546	-	1,048,546
Other purposes	408,916	-	408,916
Unrestricted	14,178,920	17,517	14,196,437
Total net assets	\$ 38,755,843	64,457	38,820,300

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement 2

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Statement of Activities
For the Year Ended June 30, 2008

Functions/programs	Net (expense) revenue and changes in net assets					
	Program Revenues			Primary Government		
	Expenses	Charges for services	Operating grants and contributions	Capital grants and contributions	Governmental activities	Business-type activities
Primary government:						
Governmental activities:						
General government	\$ 1,607,371	319,294	-	-	(1,288,077)	-
Public safety	2,625,606	282,963	54,520	-	(2,288,123)	-
Public works	2,536,108	215,935	168,104	-	(2,152,069)	-
Community services	948,397	166,190	10,449	-	(771,759)	-
Education	15,106,002	999,303	1,936,855	-	(12,169,844)	-
Maine State Retirement on behalf payments	1,437,000	-	1,437,000	-	-	-
County tax	761,800	-	-	-	(761,800)	-
Unclassified	1,602,863	551,304	135,591	-	(915,968)	-
Interest on debt	820,799	-	-	-	(820,799)	-
Capital maintenance expenses	339,446	-	-	220,554	(118,892)	-
Total governmental activities	27,785,393	2,534,988	3,742,519	220,554	(21,287,332)	-
Business-type activities:						
Nonemergency Transportation	391,646	471,533	-	-	-	79,887
Total business-type activities	391,646	471,533	-	-	-	79,887
Total primary government	\$ 28,177,039	3,006,521	3,742,519	220,554	(21,287,332)	79,887

General revenues:						
Property taxes, levied for general purposes	\$	19,386,306	-	-	19,386,306	-
Motor vehicle excise taxes		1,376,574	-	-	1,376,574	-
Interest and lien costs		81,027	-	-	81,027	-
Grants and contributions not restricted to specific programs:						
Homestead exemption		153,236	-	-	153,236	-
Other State aid		61,924	-	-	61,924	-
State Revenue Sharing		690,964	-	-	690,964	-
Unrestricted investment earnings		443,118	-	-	443,118	-
Transfer from NET		33,545	(33,545)	-	-	-
Miscellaneous revenues		1,499,984	-	-	1,499,984	-
Total general revenues and transfers		23,726,678	(33,545)	-	23,693,133	-
Change in net assets		2,439,346	46,342	-	2,485,688	-
Net assets - beginning		36,316,496	18,115	-	36,334,611	-
Net assets - ending	\$	38,755,842	64,457	\$	38,820,299	38,820,299

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Balance Sheet
Governmental Funds
June 30, 2008

		Town Reserve Funds	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
ASSETS				
Assets:				
Cash	\$	9,691,693	1,236,410	12,361,978
Investments		1,757,434	1,713,631	7,437,208
Receivables:				
Accounts		49,897	-	49,897
Intergovernmental		-	54,363	54,363
Taxes receivable		615,575	-	615,575
Tax liens		267,817	-	267,817
Interfund loans receivable		177,788	3,577,227	4,408,045
Inventory		21,134	30,828	51,962
Total assets	\$	12,581,339	6,612,459	25,246,845
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES				
Liabilities:				
Accounts payable	\$	584,769	160,872	746,767
Accrued wages and benefits		52,495	-	52,495
Compensated absences payable		202,200	-	202,200
Taxes collected in advance		16,874	-	16,874
Interfund loans		4,230,256	27,030	4,257,286
Development escrows		764,656	-	764,656
Deferred tax revenues		678,000	-	678,000
Other deferred revenues		346,857	-	346,857
Total liabilities		1,125	187,902	7,065,134
Fund balances:				
Reserved for:				
Encumbrances		183,204	-	183,204
Nonexpendable trust principal		-	1,048,546	1,048,546
Future retirement pay		173,750	-	173,750
Inventory		21,134	30,828	51,962
Unreserved, reported in:				
Designated		1,585,500	803,529	2,389,029
Undesignated:				
General fund		3,741,644	-	3,741,644
Special revenue funds		-	1,704,452	7,756,373
Capital project funds		-	2,813,794	2,813,794
Permanent funds		-	23,408	23,408
Total fund balances		6,051,922	6,424,557	18,181,711
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	12,581,339	6,612,459	25,246,845

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not financial resources and, therefore, are not reported in the funds.	32,376,181
Other long-term assets are not available to pay for current period expenditures and therefore, are deferred in the funds.	678,001
Long-term liabilities, including bonds payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore, are not reported in the funds.	(12,480,050)
Net assets of governmental activities	38,755,843

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement 4

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances
Governmental Funds
For the year ended June 30, 2008

	General	Town Reserve Funds	Other Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 19,806,182	-	998,925	20,805,107
Licenses, permits and fees	346,261	76,845	-	423,106
Intergovernmental	2,589,519	-	833,124	3,422,643
Intergovernmental on behalf payments	1,437,000	-	-	1,437,000
Tuition and other charges for services - education	999,303	-	-	999,303
Charges for services	279,694	256,381	1,074,944	1,611,019
Fees and fines	78,551	-	-	78,551
Unclassified	31,879	437,407	463,262	932,548
Investment earnings	396,085	71,483	(24,450)	443,118
Total revenues	25,964,473	842,115	3,345,805	30,152,394
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government	1,234,469	-	-	1,234,469
Public safety	1,892,586	-	19,076	1,911,662
Public works	1,877,433	-	7,200	1,884,633
Community services	608,049	-	-	608,049
Education	14,250,762	-	587,746	14,838,508
Maine State Retirement on behalf payments	1,437,000	-	-	1,437,000
Insurance and fringe benefits	1,143,655	34,632	-	1,178,287
County tax	761,800	-	-	761,800
Food services	-	-	561,763	561,763
Unclassified	215,908	29,157	762,298	1,007,363
Capital outlay	-	-	2,093,282	2,093,282
Debt service	1,537,170	-	281,978	1,819,148
Total expenditures	24,958,832	63,790	4,313,343	29,335,964
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	1,005,642	778,326	(967,537)	816,430
Other financing sources (uses):				
Bond proceeds	-	-	655,000	655,000
Refunding bonds issued	1,450,000	-	-	1,450,000
Payment to refunded bonds escrow agent	(1,495,546)	-	-	(1,495,546)
Operating transfers from other funds	307,700	963,345	1,248,675	2,519,720
Operating transfers to other funds	(1,041,358)	(964,200)	(480,617)	(2,486,175)
Total other financing sources (uses)	(779,204)	(855)	1,423,058	642,999
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses	226,437	777,471	455,521	1,459,429
Fund balances, beginning of year	5,478,795	5,274,451	5,969,036	16,722,282
Fund balances, end of year	\$ 5,705,232	6,051,922	6,424,557	18,181,711

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures,
and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds
to the Statement of Activities
For the year ended June 30, 2008

Net change in fund balances - total governmental funds (from Statement 4)	\$	1,459,429
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Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Statement 2) are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the statement of activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays exceeded depreciation and the loss from disposal of capital assets in the current period.		207,782
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Revenues in the statement of activities that do not provide current financial resources are not reported as revenues in the funds.		38,800
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Some expenses reported in the statement of activities do not require the use of current financial resources and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds.		11,586
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Bond proceeds provide current financial resources to governmental funds, but issuing debt increases long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. Repayment of bond principal is an expenditure in the governmental funds, but the repayment reduces long-term liabilities in the statement of net assets. This is the amount by which repayments exceeded proceeds.		721,750
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Change in net assets of governmental activities (see Statement 2)	\$	2,439,347
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See accompanying notes to financial statements.

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Statement 6

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance
Budget and Actual - All Budgeted Governmental Fund Types
General Fund
For the year ended June 30, 2008

	Budgeted amounts		Actual	Variance with
	Original	Final		Final Budget Positive (Negative)
Revenues:				
Taxes	\$ 19,057,409	19,057,409	19,806,182	748,773
Licenses, permits and fees	234,400	234,400	346,261	111,861
Intergovernmental	2,724,779	2,538,563	2,589,519	50,956
Tuition and other charges for services - education	854,917	854,917	999,303	144,386
Charges for services	225,500	225,500	279,694	54,194
Fees and fines	64,500	69,500	78,551	9,051
Unclassified	14,400	14,400	31,879	17,479
Investment earnings	200,000	200,000	396,085	196,085
Total revenues	23,375,905	23,194,689	24,527,473	1,332,784
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government	1,312,747	1,307,747	1,259,835	47,912
Public safety	1,949,937	1,927,937	1,897,972	29,965
Public works	1,831,373	1,831,373	1,815,341	16,032
Community services	643,666	642,750	623,593	19,157
Education	14,257,625	14,161,148	14,250,762	(89,614)
Insurance and fringe benefits	1,310,200	1,310,200	1,152,955	157,245
County tax	761,800	761,800	761,800	-
Unclassified	245,500	245,500	220,848	24,652
Debt service	1,605,694	1,601,694	1,537,170	64,524
Total expenditures	23,918,542	23,790,149	23,520,275	269,874
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over expenditures	(542,637)	(595,460)	1,007,198	1,602,658
Other financing sources (uses):				
Use of undesignated fund balance - Town	550,000	550,000	-	(550,000)
Use of undesignated fund balance - School	15,000	15,000	-	(15,000)
Use of undesignated fund balance - Reserves	-	750,000	-	(750,000)
Refunding bonds issued	-	-	1,450,000	1,450,000
Payment to refunded bonds escrow agent	-	-	(1,495,546)	(1,495,546)
Operating transfers from other funds	279,877	307,700	307,700	-
Operating transfers to other funds	(302,240)	(1,027,240)	(1,041,358)	(14,118)
Total other financing sources (uses)	542,637	595,460	(779,204)	(1,374,664)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses - budgetary basis	-	-	227,994	227,994
Reconciliation to GAAP basis:				
Encumbrances			(1,556)	
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures - GAAP basis			226,437	
Fund balance, beginning of year			5,478,795	
Fund balance, end of year	\$		5,705,232	

See accompanying notes to financial statements.

AUDIT REPORT

Exhibit A-1

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Comparative Balance Sheets - General Fund
June 30, 2008 and 2007

	2008	2007
ASSETS		
Cash	\$ 9,691,693	6,012,757
Investments	1,757,434	3,643,852
Accounts receivables	49,897	21,429
Taxes receivable	615,575	715,684
Tax liens	267,817	207,773
Inventory	21,134	21,023
Interfund loans	177,788	357,284
Total assets	\$ 12,581,339	10,979,801
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE		
Liabilities:		
Accounts payable	584,769	454,035
Accrued wages and benefits	52,495	40,218
Compensated absences payable	202,200	181,000
Taxes collected in advance	16,874	17,982
Interfund loans	4,230,256	3,830,853
Development escrows	764,656	150,751
Deferred tax revenues	678,000	639,200
Other deferred revenues	346,857	186,967
Total liabilities	6,876,107	5,501,006
Fund balance:		
Reserved for:		
Encumbrances	183,204	261,152
Inventory	21,134	21,023
Future retirement pay	173,750	165,700
Designated	1,585,500	1,565,000
Undesignated - School	8,352	5,930
Undesignated - Town	3,733,292	3,459,990
Total fund balance	5,705,232	5,478,795
Total liabilities and fund balance	\$ 12,581,339	10,979,801

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

AUDIT REPORT

Exhibit A-2

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
General Fund
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund
Year ended June 30, 2008

(with comparative actual amounts for the year ended June 30, 2007)

	2008		Variance positive (negative)	2007 Actual
	Budget	Actual		
Revenues:				
Taxes:				
Property taxes	\$ 17,769,909	18,348,581	578,672	17,809,923
Excise taxes and registration fees	1,237,500	1,376,574	139,074	1,400,073
Interest and lien costs	50,000	81,027	31,027	68,277
Total taxes	19,057,409	19,806,182	748,773	19,278,273
Licenses, permits and fees:				
Building, plumbing and electrical permits	103,000	207,898	104,898	103,875
Town clerk licenses and fees	36,000	42,647	6,647	43,257
Moorings and other harbor fees	80,000	77,801	(2,199)	76,712
Solid waste permits	2,400	4,990	2,590	2,250
Shellfish licenses	13,000	12,925	(75)	12,859
Total licenses, permits and fees	234,400	346,261	111,861	238,953
Intergovernmental:				
Education subsidies	1,422,018	1,422,068	50	1,707,882
Adult education subsidy	52,000	49,219	(2,781)	48,024
State tree growth reimbursement	50,000	33,069	(16,931)	55,735
State general assistance	8,000	10,449	2,449	11,005
State revenue sharing	615,000	690,964	75,964	613,118
State homestead exemption reimbursement	150,000	153,236	3,236	151,201
State road assistance	156,000	159,940	3,940	156,072
Public safety contributions	54,445	41,720	(12,725)	80,705
Other intergovernmental	31,100	28,855	(2,245)	29,500
Total intergovernmental	2,538,563	2,589,519	50,956	2,853,242
Tuition and other charges for services - education	854,917	999,303	144,386	963,965
Charges for services:				
Planning	35,000	68,749	33,749	79,376
Transfer station and recycling	106,000	147,973	41,973	128,145
Parking lot	37,500	37,500	-	37,500
Vehicle maintenance	12,000	6,627	(5,373)	9,261
Engineering	35,000	18,845	(16,155)	19,769
Total charges for services	225,500	279,694	54,194	274,051
Fees and fines:				
Police parking and other fines	43,500	52,152	8,652	32,672
Library fines and fees	12,000	11,544	(456)	12,289
Alarm and other fire fees	14,000	14,855	855	16,669
Total fees and fines	69,500	78,551	9,051	61,630

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TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

	2008		Variance positive (negative)	2007 Actual
	Budget	Actual		
Revenues, continued:				
Unclassified	14,400	31,879	17,479	16,897
Investment earnings	200,000	396,085	196,085	395,846
Total revenues	23,194,689	24,527,473	1,332,784	24,082,857
Expenditures:				
Current:				
General government:				
Town council	104,236	97,818	6,418	95,762
Town manager	123,926	121,212	2,714	118,626
Finance and treasury	280,795	272,085	8,710	263,213
Assessing	128,452	127,312	1,140	122,344
Code enforcement	71,728	72,325	(597)	69,610
Town clerk and elections	86,771	83,269	3,502	79,569
General administration	130,164	117,708	12,456	124,460
Municipal buildings	261,547	251,410	10,137	234,829
Planning	120,128	116,696	3,432	114,454
Total general government	1,307,747	1,259,835	47,912	1,222,866
Public Safety:				
Police department	843,908	842,218	1,690	825,328
Special enforcement	42,020	40,910	1,110	34,682
Fire department	331,211	330,084	1,127	313,619
Rescue	280,566	279,148	1,418	274,898
Dispatch	208,732	200,069	8,663	205,218
Hydrant rental	170,000	157,912	12,088	161,949
Street lights	51,500	47,631	3,870	47,534
Total public safety	1,927,937	1,897,972	29,965	1,863,228
Public Works:				
General road operations	669,695	684,799	(15,104)	638,423
Summer roads	459,600	416,117	43,483	445,266
Winter roads	107,000	146,020	(39,020)	89,957
Tree program	13,050	12,905	145	11,525
Solid waste	491,623	466,372	25,251	482,709
Engineering	90,405	89,127	1,278	86,889
Total public works	1,831,373	1,815,341	16,032	1,754,769

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TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

	2008		Variance positive (negative)	2007 Actual
	Budget	Actual		
Expenditures, continued:				
Current, continued:				
Community services:				
Human services agencies	45,900	45,900	-	46,400
Public library	367,782	364,075	3,707	347,270
Cable TV	57,216	59,821	(2,605)	57,044
Promotions	15,900	12,033	3,867	14,565
General assistance	87,994	83,430	4,564	83,267
Coastal waters	55,708	53,574	2,134	50,167
Shellfish commission	4,100	413	3,687	3,513
Other	8,150	4,347	3,803	4,626
Total community services	642,750	623,593	19,157	606,852
Education:				
Elementary -Morse Street	2,047,079	2,064,009	(16,930)	2,030,159
Elementary -Mast Landing	2,206,052	2,128,691	77,361	2,159,478
Middle School	3,074,932	3,064,318	10,614	3,013,474
High School	4,483,692	4,528,933	(45,241)	4,314,134
Debt service	344,781	344,781	(0)	364,719
Administration and Central Services	1,449,920	1,462,936	(13,016)	1,379,109
Community services and recreation	554,692	657,092	(102,400)	674,199
Total education	14,161,148	14,250,762	(89,614)	13,935,271
Insurance and fringe benefits:				
Employee benefits	1,218,200	1,070,131	148,069	1,051,229
Insurances	92,000	82,824	9,176	85,178
Total insurance and fringe benefits	1,310,200	1,152,955	157,245	1,136,406
Unclassified:				
County tax	761,800	761,800	-	751,831
Bustin's Island Corporation	168,000	160,698	7,302	168,236
Miscellaneous & contingency	52,500	39,335	13,165	48,853
Abatements	25,000	20,815	4,185	55,167
Total unclassified	1,007,300	982,648	24,652	1,024,087
Debt service	1,601,694	1,537,170	64,524	1,715,489
Total expenditures	23,790,149	23,520,275	269,874	23,258,969
Excess (deficiency) of revenues over (under) expenditures	(595,460)	1,007,198	1,602,658	823,888

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TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes
in Fund Balance - Budget and Actual - General Fund, Continued

	2008		Variance positive (negative)	2007 Actual
	Budget	Actual		
Other financing sources (uses):				
Budgeted utilization of surplus - Town	550,000	-	(550,000)	-
Budgeted utilization of surplus - School	15,000	-	(15,000)	-
Budgeted utilization of surplus - Reserves	750,000	-	(750,000)	
Refunding bonds issued	-	1,450,000	1,450,000	
Payment to refunded bonds escrow agent	-	(1,495,546)	(1,495,546)	
Operating transfers in	307,700	307,700	-	352,177
Operating transfers out	(1,027,240)	(1,041,358)	(14,118)	(872,904)
Total other financing sources (uses)	595,460	(779,204)	(1,374,664)	(520,727)
Excess (deficiency) of revenues and other financing sources over (under) expenditures and other financing uses - budgetary basis	-	227,994	227,994	303,161
Reconciliation to GAAP basis:				
Encumbrances		(1,556)		(208,657)
Future retirement and vacation pay		-		-
Excess of revenues and other financing sources over expenditures - GAAP basis		226,437		94,504
Fund balance, beginning of year		5,478,795		5,384,291
Fund balance, end of year	\$	5,705,232		5,478,795

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Exhibit C-3

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Individual Funds
Year ended June 30, 2008

	Fund Balance		Revenues		Expenditures	Revenues		Other sources and (uses)	Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2008
	(deficit) June 30, 2007	Inter-governmental	Other	over (under) expenditures		Other sources and (uses)			
Town Reserve Funds (Major Fund):									
Unemployment compensation fund	\$ 338,308	-	15,841	(19,639)	35,480			26,250	318,669
General administration reserve	363,495	-	4,269	3,354	915			(750)	393,100
Police equipment reserve	175,269	-	1,161	735	426			(50,700)	175,254
Cable TV equipment reserve	235,189	-	79,095	78,513	582			70,000	263,002
Public infrastructure reserve	909,692	-	336,573	330,770	5,803				1,310,463
Land Trust reserve	18,638	-	216	(762)	978				17,876
Public works equipment reserve	1,093,436	-	12,264	9,522	2,742			61,750	1,164,708
Ambulance equipment reserve	448,785	-	202,720	201,604	1,116			(126,455)	523,934
Building maintenance reserve	490,456	-	3,866	2,663	1,202			82,500	575,619
Fire equipment reserve	697,437	-	51,777	49,880	1,898			(40,000)	707,317
Municipal parking lot reserve	153,059	-	54,992	42,986	12,006				196,045
Hedgehog mountain reserve	22,785	-	290	233	58				23,017
Recycling equipment reserve	221,537	-	2,401	1,855	546			46,250	269,641
Road impact fee reserve	64,100	-	76,850	76,850	-			(88,000)	52,950
Community center reserve	17,500	-	(208)	(245)	37			4,800	22,055
Other	24,766	-	9	7	2			13,500	38,272
Total town reserve funds	5,274,451	-	842,115	778,326	63,790			(855)	6,051,922
School Reserve Funds:									
Building reserve	98,309	49,553	2,513	51,796	270			(84,803)	65,302
Technology reserve	23,931	-	634	568	66			(23,221)	1,278
Vehicle reserve	56,482	-	(14)	(145)	131			(53,221)	3,116
Total school reserve funds	178,722	49,553	3,133	52,219	467			(161,245)	69,696
Winslow Park fund	364,694	-	277,023	5,357	271,665			-	370,052
TIF Funds:									
TIF I - Desert road	61,889	-	114,620	29,268	85,353			-	91,157
TIF II - Desert road phase II	54,355	-	678,997	210,387	468,610			-	264,743
TIF III - Nursing home	116,365	-	21,502	21,502	-			-	137,867
TIF IV - Destination TIF	264,619	-	143,374	93	143,281			-	264,712
TIF V - Hotel TIF	-	-	47,658	-	47,658			-	-
Total TIF funds	497,229	-	1,006,151	261,250	744,901			-	758,479
Bartol Building Lease Fund	502,683	-	341,924	337,069	4,855			(350,000)	489,752
Tower Lease Fund	212,122	-	181,716	181,716	-			(175,000)	218,838

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TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Special Revenue Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Individual Funds
Year ended June 30, 2008

	Fund Balance		Revenues		Expenditures	Revenues over (under) expenditures	Other sources and (uses)	Fund Balance (deficit)
	June 30, 2007	(deficit)	Inter-governmental	Other				
Town Grants and Programs:								
Jump start program	\$	6,206	-	550	6,376	(5,826)	-	381
FEMA		26,109	8,164	-	7,200	964	-	27,073
Regional Efficiency grant		(350)	12,800	-	12,700	100	-	(251)
Department of Marine Resource Audit		15,188	1,326	-	16,514	(15,188)	-	-
Other		50,949	5,883	40,884	43,797	2,970	-	53,919
Total Town Grants and Projects		98,102	28,172	41,434	86,586	(16,980)	-	81,122
Freeport Economic Development Corporation		103,874	-	8,784	95,401	(86,617)	85,000	102,257
Leon Gorman Park		-	-	197,626	8,109	189,517	-	189,517
School Categorical & Other Funds:								
ECIA Title I-A		7,886	91,761	-	99,647	(7,886)	-	-
Local entitlement		27,091	269,022	-	274,816	(5,794)	-	21,296
Local entitlement Sec 619		4,691	8,018	-	6,640	1,378	-	6,069
Teacher quality grant		23,334	41,914	-	49,649	(7,735)	-	15,599
Carl Perkins		4,502	-	-	-	-	-	4,502
Transition Pilot		8,522	-	-	-	-	-	8,522
Title V		-	1,957	-	1,957	-	-	-
Title II technology		-	1,340	-	-	1,340	-	1,340
Drug free schools		-	5,072	-	5,072	-	-	-
State agency clients		9,366	18,427	-	6,632	11,795	-	21,162
RSU Reorganization		-	3,796	-	2,348	1,448	-	1,448
Medicaid		38,500	-	-	1,900	(1,900)	-	36,600
Health Coordinator		-	-	44,959	39,280	5,679	-	5,679
SAMHA		3,980	7,500	-	8,870	(1,370)	-	2,610
Donations		24,098	-	950	-	950	-	25,048
Community education scholarship		26,143	-	-	-	-	-	26,143
Auditorium fund		9,734	-	18,346	10,004	8,342	-	18,076
Community education football		13,230	-	40,055	22,657	17,398	-	30,628
Aspirations		3,420	-	15,821	9,888	5,932	-	9,352
Teen center		(2,582)	-	33,627	37,503	(3,876)	-	(6,458)
Dollars for scholars		3,940	-	190	1,400	(1,210)	-	2,730
Other		7,834	-	15,573	9,483	6,090	-	13,923
Total school categorical funds		213,688	448,807	169,520	587,746	30,580	-	244,268
School Lunch Program		18,492	135,591	301,879	561,763	(124,293)	120,628	14,828
Total special revenue funds	\$	7,464,057	662,123	3,371,306	2,425,284	1,608,145	(481,472)	8,590,730

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TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Capital Project Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Individual Funds
Year ended June 30, 2008

	Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2007	Revenues and Other Sources			Transfers	Expenditures	Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2008
		Inter- governmental	Other Revenues	Bond Proceeds			
School Capital Project Funds:							
School buses & other vehicles	\$ -	-	-	-	75,000	-	75,000
Technology upgrades	93,318	-	-	-	75,000	118,030	50,288
Mast Landing improvements	29,345	-	-	-	-	19,345	10,000
Morse School improvements	20,000	-	-	-	75,000	-	95,000
Middle School improvements	3,500	-	-	-	77,175	20,579	60,096
High School improvements	59,662	-	-	570,000	53,500	244,992	438,171
Other School projects	35,862	-	-	85,000	61,500	88,916	93,445
Total school capital projects	241,687	-	-	655,000	417,175	491,861	822,000
Fire Department Capital Project Funds							
Protective clothing	14,547	-	-	-	10,000	21,821	2,726
Engine Five	450,000	-	-	-	-	422,823	27,177
Engine Three repair	-	-	-	-	60,000	1,630	58,370
Air packs & compressor	-	171,001	-	-	12,500	183,501	-
Communication upgrade	-	-	-	-	50,000	-	50,000
Other	6,132	-	-	-	-	525	5,607
Total fire department	470,678	171,001	-	-	132,500	630,300	143,879
Rescue Department Capital Project Funds							
Protective clothing	9,422	-	-	-	10,000	-	19,422
Ambulance replacement	76,638	-	-	-	-	76,638	-
Communication upgrade	-	-	-	-	45,000	-	45,000
Other	2,300	-	-	-	-	2,300	-
Total rescue department	88,360	-	-	-	55,000	78,938	64,422
Public Works Capital Project Funds							
Grader repair	24,470	-	-	-	-	2,870	21,601
Dump truck replacement, sander & plow	143,500	-	-	-	-	131,135	12,365
Bulldozer repair	-	-	-	-	27,000	27,000	-
Fuel Depot	-	-	-	-	24,000	-	24,000
Dump body repairs	-	-	-	-	26,000	-	26,000
Other	6,195	-	-	-	-	-	6,195
Total public works	174,165	-	-	-	77,000	161,005	90,161
Police Department Capital Project Funds							
Communication upgrade	-	-	-	-	47,000	-	47,000
Bullet proof vests	4,894	-	-	-	-	1,243	3,651
Other	1,817	-	-	-	-	-	1,817
Total police department	6,711	-	-	-	47,000	1,243	52,468

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TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Capital Project Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Individual Funds
Year ended June 30, 2008

	Fund Balance June 30, 2007	Revenues and Other Sources				Expenditures	Fund Balance June 30, 2008
		Inter- governmental	Other Revenues	Bond Proceeds	Transfers		
Recycling Capital Project Funds:							
Landfill closing	\$ 116,436	-	-	-	-	-	116,436
Other	32,070	-	-	-	-	2,986	29,084
Total recycling capital projects	148,505	-	-	-	-	2,986	145,519
Comprehensive Town Improvement Funds:							
Pleasant Hill road projects	198,149	-	-	-	-	188,679	9,470
Mallet Drive paving match	35,250	-	-	-	-	-	35,250
Main St. paving and drainage match	54,123	-	20,000	-	-	-	74,123
Flying Point Road	267,000	-	-	-	-	-	267,000
North Main Street sidewalks	153,000	-	-	-	-	-	153,000
Cottage & Forest Street reconstruction	145,000	-	-	-	-	115,059	29,941
South Street project	40,000	-	-	-	-	-	40,000
Desert Road match	-	-	-	23,000	-	-	23,000
East Street reconstruction project	-	-	-	150,000	-	3,100	146,900
Park Street reconstruction project	-	-	-	150,000	-	-	150,000
Sequoia Drive project	-	-	-	65,000	-	-	65,000
Other	42,124	-	-	-	-	25,853	16,271
Total comprehensive town improvement	934,646	-	20,000	-	388,000	332,691	1,009,955
Municipal Buildings and Other Improvement Funds:							
Computer system upgrade	41,835	-	-	-	20,000	11,850	49,985
Dunning boat yard	6,445	-	-	-	-	4,000	2,445
Cable TV	25,367	-	-	-	23,000	26,831	21,536
Valuation update	16,595	-	-	-	-	-	16,595
Building Winterization	-	-	-	10,000	-	-	10,000
Other	73,493	-	-	-	-	706	72,787
Total municipal buildings and other	163,735	-	-	-	53,000	43,386	173,349
Boards and Committees Improvement Funds:							
Recreation fund	5,131	-	-	-	-	-	5,131
Harbor fund	24,531	-	-	-	-	-	24,531
Land conservation fund	239,702	-	-	-	-	86,000	153,702
Citizens Survey & performance measures	25,000	-	-	-	17,500	30,574	11,926
Harbor Master boat	-	-	-	61,500	-	61,500	-
Other	1,659	-	7,857	-	-	7,857	1,659
Total boards and committees	296,024	-	7,857	-	79,000	185,932	196,950
Undesignated Interest	95,004	-	20,087	-	-	-	115,091
Total capital project funds	2,619,515	171,001	47,945	655,000	1,248,675	1,928,341	2,813,794

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Exhibit E-3

TOWN OF FREEPORT, MAINE
Permanent Funds
Combining Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances - Individual Funds
Year ended June 30, 2008

	Principal				Unexpended Income				Total
	Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2007	Revenues		Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2008	Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2007	Interest Income		Fund Balance (deficit) June 30, 2008	
		Unrealized/Realized Gains (Losses)	Other			Expenditures	Income		
Cemetery Care:									
Perpetual Care:	\$								
Burr	140,015	(9,471)	-	130,544	(12,677)	4,362	4,540	(12,855)	117,690
Grove	49,998	(3,391)		46,608	(4,457)	1,552	1,612	(4,517)	42,091
Webster	14,895	(1,008)		13,887	(705)	464	483	(724)	13,163
Woodlawn	21,876	(1,480)		20,396	(2,406)	682	709	(2,434)	17,962
South Freeport	50,037	(3,381)		46,656	(4,086)	1,562	1,627	(4,152)	42,504
Flying Point	7,974	(539)		7,435	(876)	248	259	(886)	6,548
Town maintained	2,460	(166)		2,293	33	77	80	30	2,323
Davis Mausoleum	813	(55)		758	615	25	26	613	1,371
Carrie Thomas	423	(29)		395	133	13	14	133	528
A.O. Woodard	10,870	(735)		10,135	371	339	353	357	10,492
Total Cemetery Funds	299,361	(20,255)	-	279,106	(24,056)	9,324	9,703	(24,435)	254,672
Library Funds:									
Bartol Association	31,213	(2,906)		28,307	641	918	-	1,559	29,866
Paul and Emma Bennett	16,996	(1,578)		15,419	2,275	454	45	2,685	18,103
Eleanor Brewer	6,650	(617)		6,033	328	178	-	506	6,539
Albert Conley	30,651	(2,845)		27,806	10,302	820	1,120	10,002	37,808
Grace Ritchie	-	-	741	741	-	-	-	-	741
Jane Hall	121,413	(11,450)	1,500	111,463	8,838	3,256	-	12,095	123,557
Total Library Funds	206,923	(19,396)	2,241	189,768	22,384	5,626	1,165	26,846	216,614
School Scholarship Funds									
Fitts Award	2,646	(246)	-	2,401	(327)	71	-	(257)	2,144
Salomon Plummer	9,111	(846)	-	8,265	(1,978)	244	-	(1,734)	6,532
Wallace True	5,292	(491)	-	4,800	(403)	141	-	(262)	4,539
Millard and Enid Crooker	26,422	(2,452)	-	23,969	(3,023)	707	-	(2,316)	21,653
Alice Pollock	11,232	(1,042)	-	10,189	(511)	300	-	(211)	9,979
Auld's Foster	1,985	(184)	-	1,801	(105)	53	-	(52)	1,749
Kenneth Thompson	7,942	(737)	-	7,205	(128)	212	-	84	7,289
Christine Small Cushing	161,935	(15,033)	216	147,118	9,826	4,329	2,716	11,438	158,556
Total School Scholarship Funds	226,565	(21,032)	216	205,749	3,350	6,057	2,716	6,691	212,440
Benevolent Funds:									
George Davis	11,489	(1,066)	-	10,423	(500)	307	-	(193)	10,230
Arthur L. Gould	400,691	(37,191)	-	363,500	13,710	10,714	9,924	14,499	377,999
Total Benevolent Funds	412,180	(38,257)	-	373,922	13,210	11,021	9,924	14,307	388,229
Total	1,145,028	(98,940)	2,457	1,048,546	14,888	32,028	23,508	23,408	1,071,954

See accompanying independent auditors' report.

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10 Library Drive (off Main Street)

Monday, Wednesday: 11:30 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Tuesday, Thursday: 9:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Friday: 11:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturday: 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

*(from Labor Day to Memorial Day - No Saturday
Hours on a Holiday Weekend)*

FREEPORT RECYCLING FACILITY

Hedgehog Mountain Road (off Pownal Road)

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Saturday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

TOWN HALL

30 Main Street

Monday - Thursday: 7:30 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Friday: CLOSED

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