



April 5, 2016 - News for You



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Regular Town Council Meeting April 12, 2016

6:30 p.m.
Town Council Chambers

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



Chief Jerry Schofield receiving final salute from officers as he retires after forty years of service to the Town of Freeport, March 25, 2016.

2nd Annual Orientation for Board & Committee Chairs & Vice-Chairs

Wednesday, April 27th, 2016
6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Town Council Chambers

All Board and Committee members are welcome and encouraged to attend this session. The Town's Attorney, Phil Saucier, will present information on the Freedom of Access Act (FOAA) and the public notice & meeting process. The Town Manager will review administrative duties of Committee Chairs and staff persons.

Please RSVP to Johanna at 865-4743 x120 or jhanselman@freeportmaine.com by Wednesday, April 20th.

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Starting the week of April 19th, the Public Works Department will switch to their "summer" schedule. Any residents planning to visit the office at the Highway Garage should be aware that as a result, hours will be from 6am-4:30pm Monday – Thursday.

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In an effort to simplify the early reservation process for Winslow Park staff and guests, Park staff will be taking early season reservations by mail this year. Reservations postmarked no earlier than April 1st will be processed prior to walk-in and phone-in reservations. Staff will start processing mailed reservations on April 18th. Park staff will start accepting phone reservations and walk-ins on May 9th when the gatehouse opens. Therefore, the easiest and best way to get an early reservation this year will be by mail, before May 9th. The mail-in reservation form is available on the Town website under the Winslow Park tab.

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The Swap Shop roof replacement project is underway at the Recycling Center, and is expected to wrap up this week.

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Reminder – Commercial Shellfish License applications must be submitted to the Town Clerk

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2016 Commercial Shellfish License Renewals

Renewal Commercial Shellfish License applications must be submitted to the Freeport Town Clerk during the **MONTH of APRIL.**

Renewal License Fees

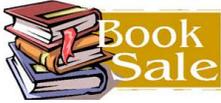
Resident Commercial	\$230.00
Non-Resident Commercial	\$430.00
Resident Student Commercial	\$ 55.00
Non-Resident Student Commercial	\$ 80.00

For more information, contact the Town Clerk at 865-4743 Ext 123 or email cwolfo@freeportmaine.com



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Upcoming Library Events



ANNUAL BOOK SALE
April 2nd – 7th, 2016

Mark your calendars and come enjoy the hunt for great books!
Book sale hours start at the opening of the Library each day and close 30 minutes prior to the Library closing.

3rd Annual Edible Book Festival *You Can Have Your Book And Eat It Too!*

Wednesday, April 13th, 10AM - 7:30PM

Choose a book, then base a totally edible (or as close to totally edible as possible) creation on the book title. Drop your Edible Book off at the Library from 10am to 5:45pm. Then show up and vote from 6 - 6:30pm. After award winners are announced, there will be an opportunity to chow-down on all the edible books on display.

Sew a Seed for the Earth

Wed., April 20 from 3:30pm-4:30pm

Celebrate Earth Day by planting a seed in a small pot that you will take with you. Ages 4 and up. Space is limited to thirty so call or stop by the Library to sign-up.



“Grow Your Own Organic Garden” Workshop

Wednesday, April 20th from 6 pm – 9 pm

Sponsored by the Maine Organic Farmers and Growers Association, this 3-hour workshop will provide you with the basics of growing your own healthy, organic produce. A \$5 fee will be collected at the workshop. Sign-up required.

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during the month of April. Additionally, 4 limited parking permits at the Harraseeket Yacht Club will be made available by lottery to any current Freeport Resident and Non-Resident Adult Commercial Shellfish License holders. For details on either, please contact Town Clerk Christine Wolfe at 865-4743 x123.

The Freeport Fire/Rescue Department held its annual Awards Ceremony on March 26th. The following awards were presented:

- *Firefighter of the year:* FF Brent Moon, FF Bouyea & FF Parentaeau
- *Training recognition for FF1&2:* Dep. Sylvain, Cap. Cass, Lt. St. John, Lt. Sloat, FF Parenteau & FF Bouyea
- *Officer of the Year:* Cap. Cass & Lt. Hogue
- *EMS Provider of the Year:* Cap. Pierce & Lt. Boucher
- *Star of Life Award:* FF Lopez
- *Bruce Libby Award:* Rev. Sandy Williams
- *Chief’s Award:* Sarah Cass, Kelly Stowell, Susan Campbell, Tracy Hannah, Amy O’Neil, Deputies Conley & Sylvain
- *Honorary Award* to Chief Schofield for his many years of service to the Town of Freeport.

Please Note:

- Municipal Offices will be closed on Monday, April 18th for Patriot’s Day.
- The **Memorial Day** parade and events this year will take place on Monday, May 30th. If you, your organization or any civic group you know of would like to participate in the parade and events, or help in the planning, please contact Gloria DeGrandpre at GloriaD556@aol.com or 207-232-6648.

Fiscal Year 2017 Budget Schedule

- Tues, April 05 Public Hearing on 5-Year Capital Program
- Tues, April 12 Adoption of the 5-Year Capital Program
- Thurs, April 28 Manager Transmits Operating, Capital and TIF Budget
- Tues, May 03 Manager & Finance Director Present Operating, Capital & TIF Budget
- Wed, May 11 5:00 – 6:00 PM Department Head Public Informal Q & A Session
- Thurs, May 12 7:30 – 8:30 AM Department Head Public Informal Q & A Session
- Tues, May 17 Council Workshop on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets
- Tues, May 17 Public Hearing on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets
- Tues, June 07 Target Date for Budget Adoption – Capital, TIF & Operating Budgets