



January 17, 2017 - News for You



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Regular Town Council Meeting
February 7, 2017
6:30 p.m.

Town Council Workshop
February 14, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Town Council Chambers

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

Town Manager's Report January 17, 2017

The Town Engineer has recently submitted a renewal application for our "Submerged Lands" lease of the area occupied by the Town Wharf in South Freeport. Many are not aware that the subtidal land under the Town Wharf (and all subtidal land in the state, actually) is leased from the State of Maine, typically on 30 year terms. The Town Engineer worked with the Harbormaster and Town Manager's Office on preparing and submitting this application, and the Town is expecting a decision in the near future.

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As many may be aware, this past Saturday morning there was a tragic fatal motor vehicle accident near exit 22 on I-295 which impacted traffic in both directions for more than three hours. Several state and local agencies, including State Police, Freeport Police, and Brunswick Fire responded to the scene. Some people have expressed interest as to why Brunswick Fire, instead of Freeport, responded to an incident so close to downtown Freeport. Per standard operating policy, Brunswick Fire regularly handles calls within Freeport on I-295 southbound to exit 22, while Freeport handles calls within Brunswick on I-295 northbound up to exit 28. This arrangement helps to avoid having to turn slow moving fire apparatus through the median turnarounds on the interstate, which is very dangerous to both our firefighters and the motoring public. In this case, Freeport Fire/Rescue provided station coverage for Brunswick for the approximately 2.5 hours that Brunswick was responding. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the State Police, Freeport Police, and Brunswick Fire employees who responded to this long and particularly difficult call this weekend.



Express Bus Service
*Portland, Falmouth,
Yarmouth and Freeport*

The Towns of Freeport and Yarmouth are **providing income eligible Freeport and Yarmouth Residents with Free Metro Breez Bus passes!** Interested applicants must complete a simple application at the Freeport Town Hall. For details on this program (and income guidelines), please visit the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com, contact Johanna Hanselman at the Freeport Town Hall, 865-4743 x120, or stop by the Freeport Town Hall during regular business hours to complete an application.

And, Metro Breez Ten Ride tickets are also available for purchase at the Freeport Town Hall for \$27.00.

For more information on Fare Rates and updated schedule and route map go to: <http://gpmetrobus.net/>



16th Annual Chocolate Bash
Freeport Community Library
Wednesday, Feb. 8th, 6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

Taste test the chocolate goodies, enter the raffle to win chocolate desserts, and enjoy music by the Cul de Sax!
FMI: www.freeportlibrary.com





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Town Council 2017 Schedule

January 3	Regular Meeting
January 17	Regular Meeting
February 7	Regular Meeting
February 14	Council Workshop
February 28	Regular Meeting
March 2	Tri Town & RSU 5
March 7	Regular Meeting
March 14	Council Workshop
March 21	Regular Meeting
March 28	Council Workshop
April 4	Regular Meeting
April 25	Regular/District 1 & 3 Workshop
May 2	Regular Meeting
May 16	Regular Meeting
June 6	Regular Meeting
June 20	Regular Meeting
July 11	Regular Meeting
July 18	Regular Meeting
August 1	Regular Meeting
August TBD	Annual Joint Meeting w/ Bustins
Sept 5	Regular Meeting
Sept 19	Regular /District 2 & 4 Workshop
Oct 3	Regular Meeting
Oct 17	Regular Meeting
Nov 14	Organizational Meeting
Dec 5	Regular Meeting
Dec 19	Regular Meeting

Peter Anzuini, District 3 Town Councilor Meet & Greet Session

Wednesday, February 22nd, 6:30 pm – 8:30 p.m.
South Freeport Congregational Church

This session is open to all District 3 Residents who would like an opportunity to meet with Councilor Anzuini and discuss any issues of concern they have for the district and for the town.

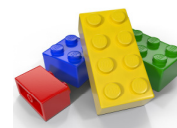
Kids events at the Library!

Henna Tattoos – Wed., January 18th, 2:30-4:30pm

Henna Artist Mandy Roberge is coming to the library! This all-natural skin adornment, known formally as mehndi, is deeply rooted in Middle Eastern and other cultures across the globe. To be eligible for your free tattoo, you need a signed parental consent form available at the Children’s Desk. For young adults, grades 6 & up.

Lego Derby Days –Wed., February 1 at 3:45pm

Grab your friends and come build a racecar out of our LEGOs, then race your creation down our special race track. For ages 6 to 10. Limited to 30 racers. Sign up required.



FMI: 865-3307

AARP - Free Tax Preparation Assistance Wednesday Mornings Beginning in February Freeport Community Center

Assistance is for low-moderate income households, with special attention to those 60 years and older.

Beginning Thursday, January 19th you can call 865-4743 x100 and leave a message for an appointment. (This phone extension will not be operational until Thursday, January 19th.) On that day and once a week thereafter, an FCS volunteer will be calling people back with an appointment date and time.

January event at the Freeport Community Library

The library is hosting a series of informative, engaging events related to the 2017 Camden Conference topic "*Refugees and Global Migration: Humanity's Crisis.*" This series continues on Thursday, January 19 at 1pm with the 2002 film *In This World* - a realistic drama in which the film's hero, Jamal Udin Torabi, plays himself. Rated R, this eye-opening film follows 16-year-old Jamal on his land and sea journey from Shamshatoo Refugee Camp in Pakistan to London. For a full schedule, go to www.freeportlibrary.com and for information on the 2017 Camden Conference go to: www.camdenconference.org



Attention Dog Owners! 2017 Dog Licenses Now Available

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

Rabies Clinic: Saturday, January 28th, 2017

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Freeport Town Hall.
Dogs and Cats are invited! Rabies Vaccine \$15.00 per animal. Freeport Residents may also license their dogs during the clinic.



Questions? Please call the Town Clerk’s Office at 865-4743, ext. 122 or 123.