



**Upcoming Town Council Meeting:
May 5th, 2015
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
April 14, 2015**

During our summer maintenance and construction projects the Town of Freeport offers residents free ditching material to be delivered to their property. Residents must first sign a release form (our Ditching Material Acceptance Agreement, which can be found on our website). This form expires on December 31st each year and must be renewed on a yearly basis. The ditching material may contain some roadside debris and some rocks, brush and roots. We will deliver the material, but do not smooth it out- it is the property owner's responsibility for the proper legal placement of the material and the final stabilization/maintenance of the material. Please contact the Public Works Department at 865-4461 for any questions or further guidelines.

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Property tax bills for the spring 2015 billing cycle will be mailed at the end of this week. If you have not received your property tax bill by May 1st, please call the Finance Department at 865-4743 x111 for a reprint of the bill. Taxes are due on May 18th for this billing cycle.

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Spring has sprung, at least for the Freeport Public Works Department. The Public Works Department changed from its "winter" to "summer" schedule this week. If you need to contact the Public Works Department Office, until next winter their hours are Monday-Thursday, 6:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

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Winslow Park will open to seasonal campers May 18th and to all campers on May 21st. A Calendar of Park events for 2015 is available on the Town's website here: <http://www.freeportmaine.com/department.detail.php?page id=98>.

Funding clean water education to build healthy communities!



Saturday, April 25, 2015
URBAN RUNOFF 5K RACE & WALK
DEERING HIGH SCHOOL PORTLAND, ME
Race day registration at 7:45 a.m. Race starts at 9:00 a.m.
FOLLOWING THE RACE
Green Neighbor Family Fest 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
FREE
live entertainment | face painting | kids' activities

On Saturday, April 25th the second annual **Urban Runoff 5K Race and Walk** will be taking place. The event is sponsored by local municipalities as part of the stormwater education program to help build healthy communities. The race takes place at Deering High School in Portland.

Registration begins at 7:45 am and the race starts at 9:00 am. The Green Neighborhood Family fest takes place after the race with live entertainment, face painting & kids' activities.
FMI: www.UrbanRunoff5k.com



You are Invited to an Active Living Public Forum

Come to hear two leading traffic engineers speak about national and regional trends in the design and implementation of improvements to roadways for all modes of transportation. Learn about the concept of "Complete Streets" and hear what communities are doing to implement low cost solutions to encourage, enhance and improve the travel experience for all users; rail, bus, car, bicycle and pedestrian...

Hosted by: Freeport Active Living Task Force

Date: Wednesday, April 29, 2015

Time: 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

Location: Freeport Community Center

Speakers: • Tom Errico, Senior Associate, T.Y. Lin International • Paul Niehoff, Portland Area Comprehensive Transportation System (PACTS)

For more information and a link to the Freeport Active Living Plan go to Town of Freeport website: www.freeportmaine.com



TOWN OF FREEPORT - MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Memorial Day Monday, May 25th



The parade and events this year will take place on Monday, May 25th, starting with the parade at 9:30 a.m.

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.

Town of Freeport 2015 Commercial Shellfish License Renewal Applications

Commercial Shellfish License Renewal Applications must be submitted to the Freeport Town Clerk during the month of April. The application must be accompanied by payment of 50% of the required license fee. The remainder of the fee must be paid no later than the last business day in May. To be eligible to purchase a renewal license, a person must have been licensed for the previous year, and must have completed conservation work as determined by the Shellfish Conservation Commission.

Recreational Shellfish Licenses will be available beginning on June 1st. The cost for residents is \$16.00 and \$27.00 for non-residents (only twenty non-resident recreational licenses are available on a first come, first served basis). For more information, go to www.freeportmaine.com or call the Town Clerk, Tracey Stevens at 865-4743 x123 or tstevens@freeportmaine.com.



Please note that shellfish licenses are not needed to dig clams at Wolfe's Neck State Park (one peck limit). Contact Wolfe's Neck State Park for details at 865-4465.



National Drug Take Back Initiative

Saturday, April 25, 2015
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.



The Freeport Police Department is once again participating in the National Drug Take Back Initiative. Residents can bring unused, unwanted or expired medications to the Freeport Public Safety building for proper disposal. During this program you may dispose of controlled, non-controlled and over the counter substances. A list of acceptable items and how to properly store them can be found on the Town's website or by calling 865-4800.



This year the Police Department is asking participants to bring a donation for non-perishable food items or personal care items that will be given to Freeport Community Services!

Please note: The Freeport Police Department has installed a secure permanent drug drop off box in the lobby of the Public Safety building! Residents can drop off expired, unwanted or outdated drugs at the Public Safety building during their normal business hours. (Sunday thru Saturday 8 am – 4 pm). **DO NOT Dispose of Sharps in this container!** Sharps (e.g. needles), may be disposed of by including them with your residential trash! Both ecomaine and State law require specific disposal steps you must take. To find out how to properly dispose of sharps in your residential trash, please visit www.freeportmaine.com or www.econmaine.org.

Patriot's Day

Please note that municipal offices (Town Hall, Library, Public Works) will be closed on Monday, April 20th in observance of Patriot's Day.



Fiscal Year 2016 Budget Schedule

Thursday, April 30, 2015	Manager Transmits Operating, Capital and TIF Budget to Council
Tuesday, May 5, 2015	Manager Presents Operating, Capital and TIF Budget
Wednesday, May 13, 2015	5:00 – 6:00 PM Department Head Public Informal Q & A Session
Thursday, May 14, 2015	7:30 – 8:30 AM Department Head Public Informal Q & A Session
Tuesday, May 19, 2015	Council Workshop on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets
Tuesday, June 2, 2015	Public Hearing on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets
Tuesday, June 16, 2015	Target Date for Budget Adoption – Capital, TIF, and Operating Budgets