



October 1, 2019 - *News for You*



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

October 15, 2019
Regular Town Council Meeting
Town Council Chambers
6:30 p.m.

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



**2019 Election
Absentee Ballots
will be available
beginning
October 8th,
2019**

Flu Shot Clinic



**Freeport Town Office
Monday, October 21st, 1PM – 3PM**

CHANS Home Health & Hospice can bill insurance for those receiving a flu shot. Please bring your insurance card if you have one. The flu shot clinic is free; donations accepted.

Mainers Invited to Dispose of Unusable Pesticides

Free disposal with pre-registration
by October 7th, 2019



This October, Mainers can dispose of unusable and waste pesticides thanks to a project sponsored by the Maine Department of Agriculture, Conservation & Forestry's Board of Pesticides Control & the Maine Department of Environmental Protection. This free program is open to homeowners and family-owned farms and greenhouses. Collections will occur at four sites, including one in Portland. Preregistration is required by 10/7/19 and unregistered drop-offs are not permitted. To register and access important information go to thinkfirstspraylast.org or call 207-287-2731.

Town Manager's Report October 1, 2019

Proposed vehicle sale – Town of Union

Staff had previously made the Town Council aware that the Public Works Department was intending to trade in the 2004 dump truck scheduled for replacement this year. Earlier this year the Town of Union experienced a fire in their Public Works facility and lost some of their vehicles. They have reached out to municipalities state wide to find replacement vehicles, and are interested in purchasing our outgoing truck at the trade-in value. The Public Works Department has asked to sell this vehicle to the Town of Union at the dealer's agreed price previously communicated to the Town Council. This item does not require Town Council approval, but does require Town Council notification, which I am hereby providing.

Soule School Tree Work/Tree Removal

The Town has been made aware of concerns about the state of some of the trees contained in Soule Park, adjacent to the L'Ecole Francaise property leased by the Town to that School. As a result, the Town hired Mike Hughes, of Hughes Arborist Service, to evaluate the trees in the park adjacent to the school property. He evaluated 15 trees in the park and made recommendations which include the removal of 8 of those trees which are hazards. The Conservation Commission has reviewed his findings and agrees with his recommendations. The Public Works Department will be contracting the recommended tree work and removal of the 8 trees, which is expected to take place within the next 2 weeks.

Home Energy Assistance Program

(formerly known as LIHEAP)

**HEAP intake workers will be taking walk-in
appointments at the Freeport Community Center:**

Wednesday, October 16th from 9AM – 3PM

Wednesday, January 15th from 9AM – 3PM

A list of required information needed to complete your application can be found under *Municipal News* on the town's website.



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The Town of Freeport Appointments Committee is looking for volunteers to serve on the Active Living (District 2 Rep), Shellfish and Cable TV Committees

Applications are available at the Town Hall and on the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com under "Boards".



Critical Home Repair

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Portland's new Critical Home Repair service helps low-income homeowners make needed repairs so they can live in a safe, healthy and affordable home. For income guidelines and more info go to: <http://habitatportlandme.org/index.php/info/Critical-Home-Repair>

ZERO WASTE ME

Wednesday, October 16, 6:30-7:30PM

Freeport Community Library

With the global recycling and waste industries in flux, reducing the overall volume of waste we generate is our best chance at making small-scale individual change. Suzanne and Julie of Zero Waste ME will talk about sensible tips and tricks for starting your zero waste journey today.

ECOMAINE

Wednesday, October 23, 6A:30-7:30PM

Freeport Community Library

Ecomaine presenter Katrina is back at the Library to talk about the ins and outs of smart recycling and waste management.

For more on these and other great Library programs go to www.freeportlibrary.com



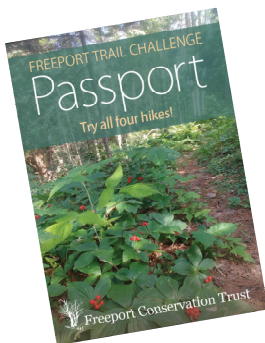
Freeport Day at the Nordica Theatre Wednesday, October 16th

Residents of Freeport are welcome to view a movie absolutely FREE! Donations for the Harraseeket Grange will be collected. Proof of residency is required.

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2019 Citizen of the Year

Each year the Freeport Town Council presents a Citizen of the Year Award to honor those who have significantly contributed to the quality of the Town.

Nomination forms are available at the Town Office, the Freeport Community Library and can be found on the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com. Deadline for nominations for the 2019 Citizen of the Year Award is December 12, 2019.



Freeport Trail Challenge

The 5th annual Freeport Trail Challenge is underway. If you have not participated before, now is the time to see what you have been missing.

Hike four specific trails in September and October and win a prize. Passports are available at Town Hall, the Community Center, Casco Bay Y, and Wolfe's Neck Center. Or you can find out more at: freeportconservationtrust.org.



Once again, **WindowDressers** is having a Community Workshop at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Brunswick, where participants will be putting together up to 300 insulating window inserts for Bath-Brunswick-**Freeport** area residents.

The interior-mounted inserts save on winter heating costs and make your living space more comfortable when it's cold. They are removable during warm weather. The measuring season has arrived, as the Workshop will take place during **the week of November 18th**. Contact **Sam Saltonstall at 838-9843** if you would like to have volunteer measurers visit your residence for a "no obligation" visit. The cost to low income customers can be as low as \$0 for up to ten inserts.

For more information or to sign up online, visit our website, <https://windowdressers.org/>. First come, first served!