



December 16, 2020 *News for You*



# TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

## Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

**January 5, 2021**  
**Regular Town Council Meeting**  
 6:30 PM  
 Zoom Meeting

A full listing of upcoming Town meetings, agendas and Zoom information is available on the Town's website at:  
[www.freeportmaine.com](http://www.freeportmaine.com)



## Volunteers Needed for Town Boards and Committees

The Appointments Committee is seeking residents interested in serving on the recently established **Social & Racial Equity Assessment Ad Hoc Committee**. This Committee will be composed of a diverse group of community representatives tasked with developing an updated equity and inclusion value statement for the Town of Freeport and to review personnel and HR policies to affirmatively identify and remove any implicit language or processes that reflects knowingly or unknowingly racial bias.

The Appointments Committee also accepts applications for all Town Boards and Committees throughout the year. The Committee generally meets semiannually to review applications and fill existing vacancies and expiring terms.

For more information on Town Boards and Committees as well as applications go to [freeportmaine.com](http://freeportmaine.com) (see "Volunteer Opportunities" on the homepage). Applications are also attached to this email.

## Freeport High School Captures Multiple State Championship Titles this School Year

- The **Freeport Golf Team** won the Class B Team State Championship Title
- **Matthew Kempf** won the Class B Individual Golf State Champion Title
- The **Freeport Mock Trial Team** won the State Championship Title

*Congratulations to all team members & coaches!*

## Chief Susan Nourse Retiring from the Town of Freeport After 37 Years of Dedicated Service

For the past thirty-seven years, Chief Susan Nourse has provided the Town of Freeport with an extraordinary level of dedicated service. Her commitment to our community has been tremendous.

Please join us on **Tuesday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>** from **2:00PM-3:30PM** for a **Retirement Drive-Thru Celebration** at the Public Safety Building to give her our best wishes. When arriving, please enter from the West Street side of the building and follow the signs.

Thank you Chief Nourse for your remarkable years of service to the Town and its residents.



## Winter Reminders from the Public Works Department

\*Freeport residents are allowed **two (2) 5-gallon buckets of sand per storm**. Sand is now located adjacent to the silver recycling bullet on Hunter Road in front of the Public Works Facility.

\* **Annual Winter Parking Ban is in effect**. Parking is prohibited on all town streets from 11:00pm to 7:00am from November 1 to April 15.

\* **No parking is allowed on public streets nor in turnarounds during winter storm**

\*For residents who park vehicles in driveways, **please keep sidewalks clear** so our sidewalk machines are not restricted in doing their job.

\*On a final note, **please do not push snow into sidewalks or public streets** as this is not only against Maine state law, it is also costly and time-consuming for the Public Works Department to send vehicles and manpower out to go back to clean up a street or sidewalk.

For more details go to <https://www.freeportmaine.com/home/news/winter-reminders-public-works-department> or contact the Public Works Department at 865-4461.



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### Freeport is here for you!

If you find yourself in need due to the COVID-19 pandemic or due to the cold winter months, these local organizations may be of assistance.

#### **Town of Freeport General Assistance Program & COVID Relief Fund**

**Help with:** Heat, Rent, CMP, Medical & Other Basic Necessities

**Contact:** (207) 865-4743 x120 or  
[jhanselman@freeportmaine.com](mailto:jhanselman@freeportmaine.com)

#### **Freeport Community Services**

**Help with:** Food, Medical Equipment Loans & Emergency Needs

**Contact:** (207) 865-3985 x205 or  
[slundin@fcsmaine.com](mailto:slundin@fcsmaine.com)

#### **Freeport Friends**

**Help with:** Bird Feeder Program and Miscellaneous Urgent Needs

**Contact:** (774) 212-0269 or  
[tawni.whitney@gmail.com](mailto:tawni.whitney@gmail.com)

#### **American Legion**

**Help for Veterans with:** Food, Clothes & Basic Necessities

**Contact:** [mainepost83@gmail.com](mailto:mainepost83@gmail.com)

#### **Freeport Economic Development Corporation**

**Help with:** Business Assistance

**Contact:** [kmcbride@freeportmaine.com](mailto:kmcbride@freeportmaine.com)

### Code Red – Reverse 911

The Town of Freeport is encouraging residents to register their cell phone numbers with the “Code Red” reverse-911 system maintained by Cumberland County. This is a program which allows automatic calls to be sent out to specific geographic areas, but if you don’t have a landline (as many people don’t anymore), you will need to register your cell phone number to receive geographic-based alerts. You can access the Code Red website at:

<https://public.coderedweb.com/CNE/en-US/BFF2E84D696F>



### Holiday Recycling Tips from ecomaine:

<https://www.freeportmaine.com/home/news/ecomaine-holiday-recycling-tips>

### Town Buildings Now Appointment Only & Curbside Only

Freeport Town Hall has moved to “appointment only” service, and the Freeport Community Library is providing “curbside-only” service. All regular services and hours will be available at Town Hall Departments, however you will need to call or email the relevant department prior to your visit.

You can book an appointment at Town Hall Departments by using the following link: <https://town-of-freeport.opustime.com/booking#/business> or by calling 207-865-4743. For more information on Town Departments you can also visit [www.freeportmaine.com](http://www.freeportmaine.com).

For more information on curbside service at the Freeport Community Library, please call 207-865-3307 or visit [www.freeportlibrary.com](http://www.freeportlibrary.com).

These changes are being implemented due to an 88% increase in the number of active COVID-19 cases in Cumberland County over the past week (increase from 527 to 994 active cases), as well as a 41% increase in total cases in Freeport over the most recent two week period (increase from 43 to 61 cases). The Town will continue to monitor Town, County, and State-wide COVID-19 infection numbers and will re-evaluate building restrictions/status on a weekly basis.

The Town continues to ask residents to follow all recommended public health measures to combat the spread of COVID-19, including social distancing and wearing masks in all public spaces, as we navigate this pandemic together.

### Reminder- Many Services are Available Online:

Go to <https://www.freeportmaine.com/online-payments> for:

Automobile, Boat & Snowmobile Re-registrations, Dog Licenses, Hunting & Fishing Licenses, Property Tax Payments & Viewing Property Info, Alarm Applications, Burn Permits and more.