



July 9, 2019 - News for You



# TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

## Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

### Regular Town Council Meeting

**NOTE DATE CHANGE**

**Tuesday, July 23rd, 2019**

**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](http://www.freeportmaine.com)

## Summer Safety Tips from Public Safety



### Fire Pits - Keep a bucket of water handy.

If an ember floats out of your fire pit, or a log falls down from your bonfire stack and sets nearby foliage, paper, or other flammable materials aflame, you don't want to be scrambling for a way to put the fire out. Having a bucket of water nearby is a great first response tool to keep a fire under control.

**Barbeque Grills at Multi-Family Dwellings** - The Fire Code states that, for any dwelling containing three or more residential units, "no hibachi, gas-fired grill, charcoal grill, or other similar devices used for cooking, heating or any other purpose, shall be used or kindled on any balcony or under any overhanging portion or within ten (10) feet of any structure. Listed electric ranges, grills, or similar electrical apparatus shall be permitted."

**Helmets** - One of the best ways to stay safe this summer is to wear a helmet and other safety gear when biking, skating and skateboarding, and when riding scooters, all-terrain vehicles, and horses. Studies on bicycle helmets have shown they can reduce the risk of head injury by as much as 85 percent.

**Computer and Home Safety tips** - You should never have to pay money over the computer/phone to win a prize, free a family member from prison, pay a tax penalty etc. Home repair scam artists and gypsy pavers are out looking to separate people from their hard earned money. Only contract home repairs and driveway/home repair work through well known, reputable contractors.

**Car Safety Tips** - Always lock your doors and roll up your windows when you leave your car. NEVER leave children or pets in parked cars. Also do not leave valuables in the car. If you must leave prized possessions in your vehicle keep them out of sight or hidden in the trunk. Before you get into your car, check the backseat and around the car. Lock your doors once inside the car.

### Questions or Clarifications

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## Town Manager's Report July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

The Town of Freeport would like to thank the Freeport Middle School, specifically Kathleen Brown and her science students, for volunteering their time to paint lobster stencils on our catch basins. Their efforts act as a reminder to all to keep our basins and stormwater drainage pipes clean!

I would like to extend the town's appreciation to the town employees who worked to make sure the Fourth of July events all went smoothly.

This includes the Building & Grounds Maintenance crew for their preparation work prior to the day, and special thanks go to Public Safety employees who put in extended hours and effort to effectively manage traffic control and safety throughout the day.



Freeport Color Guard: (L-R) Officers Bianchini, Marshall, Kavanaugh & Norris

Our appreciation also goes to LL Bean for their contributions which ensure the continuation of our parade and fireworks display, and of course thanks to Michelle Barker and Nancy Trottier for organizing a great parade!

In the next week or so, FCTV3 will launch its replacement TV, Video-on-Demand & Live Streaming Services. During the transition, VOD Services will be limited. FMI: 865-4743 x114 or [rsimard@freeportmaine.com](mailto:rsimard@freeportmaine.com). Thanks for your patience during this transition.

Come learn how to recycle and how to share your knowledge with your neighbors.

**Wednesday, July 10<sup>th</sup>**

**6:00 PM - 7:00 PM**

**Public Safety Building  
Silver Bullet**

Ecomaine's Katrina Venhuizen will be training potential recycling silver bullet volunteers.

She will share effective techniques to help recycling bullet users and will answer questions about what can/cannot go into the recycling bin.



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## TOWN OF FREEPORT \*\*NOMINATION PAPERS\*\* AVAILABLE JULY 29<sup>TH</sup> FOR THE NOVEMBER 5, 2019 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Notice is hereby given that **NOMINATION PAPERS** will be available beginning Monday, July 29, 2019 in the Town Clerk's Office for persons interested in seeking the following offices in the Town of Freeport. Nomination Papers are due back to the Town Clerk's Office no later than 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 11, 2019.

Office:	Term:	Required # of Signatures:
COUNCILOR AT-LARGE – 1 seat	3 years	100 signatures
COUNCILOR DISTRICT 1 – 1 seat	3 years	50 signatures
RSU #5 Board of Directors – 2 seats	3 years	100 signatures
RSU #5 Board of Directors – 1 seat	2 years	100 signatures
SEWER District Trustees – 2 seats	3 years	25 signatures
WATER District Trustee – 1 seat	3 years	25 signatures

For more information, call Freeport Town Clerk  
Christine Wolfe at 865-4743, Ext. 123 or email  
[cwolfe@freeportmaine.com](mailto:cwolfe@freeportmaine.com)

The Freeport Conservation Commission is seeking volunteers to join in helping a Maine Conservation Corps crew with replacing bog bridging along the Florida Lake trail system.

8/20-8/23 and 8/27-8/30 from 7AM-4PM

This is a great opportunity to get involved and learn about what it takes to conserve recreational trails. Please contact Maine Conservation Corps Field Team Leader, Kevin Rossi, with any questions, and for directions to get to the team: [kmrossi444@gmail.com](mailto:kmrossi444@gmail.com) or 248-245-3426. More information can be found on the Town's website at [www.freeportmaine.com](http://www.freeportmaine.com).

**PLEASE NOTE THAT TWO FREEPORT  
RECYCLING SILVER BULLET LOCATIONS  
WILL BE CLOSING  
EFFECTIVE AUG. 1, 2019**

### WHY?

Due to contamination and illicit dumping.

### WHERE CAN I DROP-OFF?

Transfer Station on Hedgehog Mountain Rd.

### Transfer Station Hours of Operation:

Wed, Thurs, and Fri: 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Saturday: 9:00 – 4:00 pm

**Two Silver Bullets** will remain available at Hunter Road (in front of Public Works Garage) and West Street (behind the Public Safety Building).



## Winslow Park Thursday Evening Summer Concert Series

Thursday, July 11<sup>th</sup>  
6:30 p.m.

The season starts off with a performance by the **Coastal Winds Band**. This 40-piece community concert band entertains with fun popular tunes, traditional bandstand pieces, and music of the season.

Pack a picnic dinner and grab a blanket and enjoy a lovely evening at the Park with the whole family!



Looking for some other fun ideas for the summer? Don't forget the Freeport Community Library has **Discounted and Free Passes** available!

Freeport Conservation Trust has donated two **State Park Passes** this year which are available to Freeport residents. The Friends of the Library have donated passes to the **Portland Museum of Art**, the **Children's Museum & Theatre of Maine**, the **Maine Wildlife Park** and the **Maine Maritime Museum**.

FMI stop by the Library Front Desk.