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January 4, 2024

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, January 16, 2024 Town Council Chambers & ZOOM 6:00 P M

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

All 2023 DOG LICENSES have EXPIRED.

Licenses need to be renewed prior to January 31, 2024, or a \$25.00 late fee *per dog (no exceptions)* will be assessed in addition to the licensing fee.

Register online <u>here</u> until January 31 or come into Town Hall. Questions? Call the Town Clerk's office at 865-4743 x123 or x122.



<u>Town of Freeport</u> <u>Public Peddler Applications Available</u>

According to Town Ordinance, applications for new Public Peddler Licenses are:

Open to residents Jan. 16, 2024 to Jan. 23, 2024 Open to non-residents Jan. 24, 2024 to Jan. 31, 2024.

Applications are available at the Freeport Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours.

Questions regarding this process may be directed to the Town Clerk at cwo feeportmaine.com or (207) 865-4743 Ext 123.

Online Services Available

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

- Alarm Applications
- Automobile, Boat & Snowmobile Re-registrations
- Dog Licenses (until 1/31/2024)
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses
- Burn Permits
- Property Tax Payments & Viewing Property Information
- Parking Ticket Payments



A big thank you to the staff in Public Works, Police, and Fire/Rescue for their responses to the wind and rain event last week.



Employment Opportunity Spotlight



The Town is currently seeking full-time Firefighter/Paramedic/Advanced EMT positions. The work involves responding to a wide range of fire suppression and medical emergencies to ensure the stability and safety of our community. Training is provided. There are also openings for a Deputy Chief and a Shift Captain. For full job descriptions visit www.freeportmaine.com/employment.

Winter Reminders from the Public Works Department

- * Freeport residents are allowed <u>two (2) 5-gallon buckets of</u> <u>sand per storm</u>. Sand is located adjacent to the silver recycling bullet on Hunter Road in front of the Public Works Facility.
- * <u>Annual Winter Parking Ban is in effect.</u> Parking is prohibited on all town streets from 11:00 P.M. to 7:00 A.M. from November 1 to April 15. This provision shall be in effect all year on both sides of Harraseeket Road between Main Street and Dixon Road, and on both sides of South Freeport Road between Main Street and Park Street. Sections 48-208 & 48-209.
- * No parking is allowed on public streets nor in turnarounds during winter storm events. Please keep streets and turnarounds clear of vehicles (including trailers, campers, etc.) during a storm.
- For residents who park vehicles in driveways, *please keep*sidewalks clear so our sidewalk machines are not restricted in doing their job.
- * <u>Please do not push snow into sidewalks or public</u> streets as this is not only against Maine state law, but also costly and time-consuming for the Public Works Department to send vehicles and manpower back out to clean up a street or sidewalk.



Questions or concerns?

Contact the Public Works Department at 865-4461.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation!



Are you a Freeport High School student who needs assistance paying for school? Apply today! Scholarships will be awarded for up to \$5000 per year for up to 4 years of college and for up to \$4000 per year for up to two years of technical/trade school. All scholarships are need-based and recipients are selected by a committee comprised of school and community members.

We are looking for Freeport, Pownal, and Durham community members to join us as mentors. Each scholarship recipient will be paired with a community mentor for the duration of their post-secondary education.

As we work to build our endowment, we are actively fundraising within the RSU5 communities to make this foundation a success. Please consider making a donation today. No amount is too small. Thank you.

FMI visit https://www.fhsscholarships.org/

Nominations are now being accepted for the 2023 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 and on the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com. The deadline for nominations is January 31, 2024.

Skate Freeport SK8 Park Project

SKATEPARK DESIGN REVIEW COMMUNITY MEETING

WED, JAN 24 6:00 - 7:30pm FREEPORT COMMUNITY CENTER 53 DEPOT ST., FREEPORT

JOIN US FOR THE FREEPORT SK8 DESIGN PRESENTATION COMMUNITY FEEDBACK & QUESTIONS WELCOME!

For more info. | Izajmoore@gmail.com or wswsoi@comcast.net slo is a 50 le3 organization

Interested in receiving Town information via email? You can sign up to receive the following:

Town Council Agendas - contact cwolfe@freeportmaine.com

All Planning Department related Board and Committee agendas and minutes—contact cpelletier@freeportmaine.com

The Municipal Bulletin - contact cweeman@freeportmaine.com

Freeport Community Library Monthly Newsletter- subscribe by going to www.freeportlibrary.com and click on "Newsletter" in the header.



Stuffie Sleepover

Drop Off: 10-4:45 Monday, January 8 Pick up: 10-6:45 Tuesday, January 9 Kids ages 5 and up

Do you have a stuffie who loves adventures? Want to know what happens overnight in the library? Bring one stuffie to Freeport Community Library (FCL) to find out! Anyone can



watch the adventures on FCL's new Facebook page Monday night through Tuesday morning (facebook.com/freeportel). Space is limited to the first 35 participants. This program is free and open to the public.

Dragon Egg: A Grab-and-Go Craft 3:30 P.M. Wednesday, January 24 Kids ages 9 and up



Always wanted to be a dragon keeper? Pick up a grab-and-go kit to make a dragon egg using clay and shiny bits and pieces. This grab-and-go craft will be open to kids of all ages the next day. It is free and open to the public.

Little Roots at Freeport Community Library 10:15 A.M. Thursday, January 25

Little Roots (from 317 Main Community Music Center in Yarmouth) is bringing their 45-minute music and movement program to Freeport Community Library. Sing, play, and move with other kids ages 0-5 and their caregivers. This will be an ongoing program through May, taking place on the last Thursday of every other month (March 28 and May 30) in the Meeting Room at the library.

This event is free and open to the public.

Storytime for Toddlers 10:15 A.M. Mondays and Thursdays Kids ages 0-4

Storytime continues at Freeport Community Library (FCL) twice weekly. While indoors, storytime capacity is 40 people. Come share stories, songs, and rhymes! Each Monday and Thursday has different programs. This program is free and open to the public.

Paws & Read with Therapy Dogs 3:30-4:30 P.M. Mondays Kids of all ages

Paws and read to one of our therapy dogs, or just sit and spend time with them. The dogs will visit every week. Sign up for a 15-minute session by calling, stopping by the Youth Services desk, booking a slot online at https://www.timetosignup.com/fclsignups/, or you can drop by on the day of the program in case of an opening. This program is for kids of all ages and is free and open the public.