



April 2, 2019 - *News for You*



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

District 3 & 4 Annual Workshop*

April 23, 2019

Freeport Community Center

6:30 p.m.

* District Workshops provide residents with an opportunity to informally meet with their Town Councilors and discuss issues related to their specific districts.

The regularly scheduled April 23, 2019 Town Council Meeting will follow the Workshop.

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

Freeport Sustainability Lecture Series

Monday, April 8, 6:30-7:30pm

Freeport Community Center

Youth Engagement in Climate and Environmental Issues



Almost 1000 students attend the March 15 Student Climate Strike in Portland

They are the ones who will inherit this earth we call home and the current climate crisis if it is not dramatically turned around.

Increasingly, youth are speaking out and getting involved in climate and environmental issues.

On Monday, April 8, the Freeport Sustainability Advisory Board will focus on Youth Engagement and give young people an opportunity to learn about what is happening in the Student Climate Movement and to share ideas on how to get involved in their schools, community and beyond to make our planet more sustainable.

This evening is for all generations, but **we especially invite students and families to come**, learn and express how you are currently active, or hope to become active in these issues.

Questions or comments? Please contact Freeport Sustainability Advisory Board members
Sukie Rice (sukierice45@gmail.com) or Valy Steverlynk (vsteverlynck@hotmail.com)

Town Manager's Report April 2, 2019

Staff Update – Police Department

The Freeport Police Department is pleased to announce the hiring of Officer Emily Lopez. Officer Lopez was sworn in by Town Clerk Christine Wolfe on her first day of work, 04/01/19. She previously was employed as a Marine Patrol Officer and holds a law enforcement certification from the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. If you see Emily performing her new duties around Town, please feel free to introduce yourself and say hi!



April 20, 2019
Portland, Maine
Named one of the
best 5K races in
the US by
best5ks.com

Our community – health, economy, way of life – depends on clean water. Polluted runoff threatens the health of Maine's lakes, streams, rivers and bays. Runoff happens after any rain storm, and in Maine we see a lot of runoff in the springtime when the snow melts.

Since 2012, Cumberland County Soil & Water has brought a different kind of *Urban Runoff* to Southern Maine! Runners and walkers will hit the streets and trails in Portland for the annual *Urban Runoff* 5K race and walk to raise awareness of water pollution and raise money to support [clean water education](http://best5ks.com) in greater Portland and Saco areas.

The date of the *Urban Runoff* was chosen to coincide with Earth Day and spring's "first flush" when rain and melted snow wash pollution into our waterways. The race is followed by the City of Portland's [Green Neighbor Family Fest](http://best5ks.com), where families and community members enjoy hands-on activities about water, live entertainment, and have an all-around good time!

For more information and to register go to:

<https://urbanrunoff5k.com/>



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Upcoming Library Events

***Grow Your Own Organic Garden** – Thurs April 4, 6:00 – 9:00 PM. An MOFGA workshop on ethical, sustainable gardening.

***How Do Colleges REALLY Choose Students? with Wendy Thompson** - Wed, April 10th, 6:30 – 7:30PM
High school students and their parents are invited to an informative, interactive, and entertaining presentation to help families understand the role essays, interviews, extracurricular activities, sports, and other factors play in the admissions decisions colleges make. (*Wendy served on the admissions staff at Bowdoin College from 2000-2012, where she evaluated thousands of applications. Her college and independent school admissions career spans thirty years.*)

VACATION FUN – Activities for kids the week of 4/16-4/19

*Tues - **Mini Golf**, 2:00 – 4:00 PM. The Children's Room will be transformed into a mini golf course for the day. Sign-up is required.

*Wednesday - **LEGO Club**, 3:45 – 4:45PM.

*Thursday - Lunchtime Movie: **Mary Poppins Returns**, 12:00 – 2:00 PM.

*Friday - **Make Your Own Bookmark**, 1:00 – 3:00PM.

ANNUAL BOOK SALE

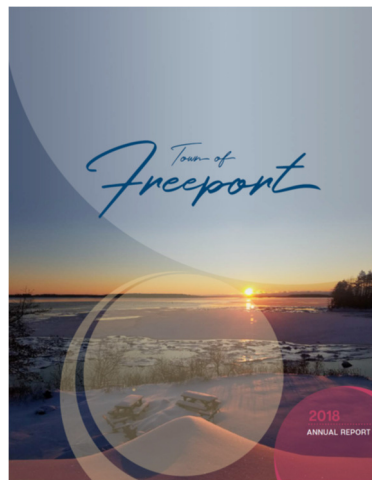
Accepting Books: April 15- May 3 (no textbooks, computer books, encyclopedias or books in poor condition accepted).



Preview Night: May 3, 5:00 – 8:00 PM, \$10 cover.

Book Sale: May 4- May 9.

For details on these events and many more, go to:
www.freeportlibrary.com



The Town of Freeport's Fiscal Year 2018 Annual Report is now available.

Hard copies are available at Town Hall, and a PDF version can be downloaded on the Town's website

This year's report was produced by the Town Clerk's Office. Town Clerk Christine Wolfe and Deputy Clerk Lynn Horr worked diligently for several months to put together the wonderful report which is pictured here.

Please view the report on line or pick up a copy here at Town Hall.

Annual Orientation for Board & Committee Chairs & Committee Members

Tuesday, April 9th, 2019
6:00 p.m. - 7:15 p.m.
Town Council Chambers

All Board and Committee members are encouraged to attend this session. The Town's Attorney, Phil Saucier, will present information on the Freedom of Access Act (FOAA) and the Public Notice & Meeting Process. The Town Manager and Town Clerk will review administrative duties of Committee Chairs and staff persons.

Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Schedule

Tuesday, April 23, 2019	Adoption of the 5-Year Capital Program
Tuesday, April 23, 2019	Manager and Finance Director Present Operating, Capital and TIF Budget
Tuesday, May 7, 2019	Council Workshop on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets
Wednesday, May 15, 2019	7:30 – 8:30 AM Department Head Public Informal Q & A Session
Wednesday, May 15, 2019	5:00 – 6:00 PM Department Head Public Informal Q & A Session
Tuesday, May 21, 2019	Council Workshop on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets (OPTIONAL)
Tuesday, June 4, 2019	Public Hearing on Operating, Capital and TIF Budgets
Tuesday, June 18, 2019	Target Date for Budget Adoption – Capital, TIF, and Operating Budgets