



MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

April 4, 2024

Upcoming Town Council Meetings:

Regular Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, April 23, 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

Have you seen the new website for the Town of Freeport Comprehensive Plan Update?



www.futurefreeport.com

The Town of Freeport (Planning Board) is beginning the process of updating the Town of Freeport Comprehensive Plan. We expect this to be about an 18 month process. Although the Planning Board is in the early stages of the process, there will soon be materials that we will be looking for public feedback on. In the meantime, please checkout the new project website where you can sign-up for our email list for project updates!

Online Services Available

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

- Alarm Applications
- Automobile, Boat & Snowmobile Re-registrations
- Hunting & Fishing Licenses
- Burn Permits
- Property Tax Payments & Viewing Property Information
- Parking Ticket Payments

WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES



♦ Luke Vashon—Deputy Fire/Rescue Chief

♦ Robert Bernard—Deputy Fire/Rescue Chief

♦ Alex Sirois—Code Enforcement Officer



For current job openings visit the [employment](#) section of our website.

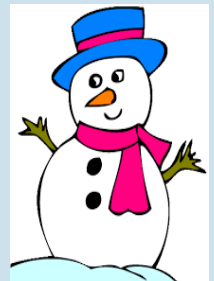
CONGRATULATIONS!!

Courtney Sparks

On her upcoming appointment
as Freeport's Human Resources
Director

Due to the weather forecast...

- * **Town Hall** will be *closed* on Thursday, April 4th.
- * The **Freeport Community Library** will be *closing* at 6:00 PM, April 3; will be *closed* all day on Thursday, April 4; and will *open* at noon, on Friday, April 5.
- * There is a **parking ban** from 6:00 PM Wednesday, April 3, until 7:00 AM Sunday, April 7.



After more than a year of data analysis and community input, the Freeport Sustainability Advisory Board (FSAB) is pleased to release a final draft of the Climate Action Plan! We invite you to explore the final draft online, at www.freeportclimateaction.org, or look at the paper copy at the Freeport Community Library. Stay tuned this Spring as the Plan heads to Town Council and [sign up](#) for FSAB newsletter to get updates!

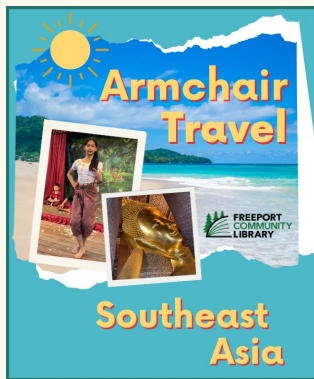
FINAL DRAFT!

Of Freeport's
Climate Action Plan



FREEPORT COMMUNITY LIBRARY ADULT EVENTS

Armchair Travel: Southeast Asia



Tuesday, April 16 at 2:00-3:00 PM

Leave your passports at home (but pack your curiosity) to experience Thailand, Laos and Cambodia with Suanne Williams-Lindgren, a resident of Freeport, who spent last March there. Come see beautiful Buddhist temples and ruins, UNESCO sites, how many of the locals live, as well as some of the darker aspects of these countries' histories, including the Khmer Rouge

radical communist movement and the Vietnam War. This program is part of our Armchair Travel series, where neighbors take us on grand photography tours of their travels in distant lands.

April Spice Club: Sichuan Peppercorns

Pickups begin Thursday, April 25 at 10:00am

Adults are welcome to pick up this month's featured spice, Sichuan peppercorns! Spice Club is a chance for you to learn something new while eating something delicious. Not hot or pungent like black, white, or chile pepper, Sichuan peppercorns have slightly lemony overtones and create a tingling numbness in the mouth. Each grab-and-go kit contains a free sample spice and an accompanying pamphlet of background information and recipe suggestions.



For questions or directions to the library, visit www.freeportlibrary.com, call 865-3307, or stop by the library at 10 Library Drive, Freeport ME 04032.

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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.

➡ **Notices of Public Hearings** are posted on the Town's website under “Municipal News”.

FREEPORT COMMUNITY LIBRARY YOUTH EVENTS

Trek Outside the Library: Self-guided, interactive exploration!



April 22-27

Grab a snack and go on a trek! Discover stamps as you follow the map, exploring 6 stops outside the library. Then stamp your map! Start at the mailbox where you'll get your map or come inside first during library hours to get a snack to fuel your journey. This program is self-guided, so come by anytime between April 22 – 27. *Please note the snacks are only available during library hours at the Youth Services desk. This event is free and open to the public.*

Explore

Wednesdays and Thursdays at 2:30-4:30 PM, Grades 6-12

The Explore after-school program series is presented by RSU5 and meets at Freeport Community Library Meeting Room. Sign up or drop in. Offerings change monthly. For more information, see the [RSU5 Community Programs](http://rsu5.org) website or contact Chris at cprecreation@rsu5.org.

April Explore Schedule:

Nature Journaling: Wednesdays, April 3, 10 and 24

Unplugged Board Games: Thursday, April 4

Dungeons & Dragons Candlekeep Mysteries: Thursdays, April 11 and 25

Paws & Read with Therapy Dogs

Paws and read to one of our therapy dogs, or just sit and spend time with them. The dogs will visit every Monday from 3:30 – 4:30 PM at Freeport Community Library.

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.

Storytime for Toddlers

Storytime continues at Freeport Community Library (FCL) each Monday and Thursday at 10:15 in the Little Room. While indoors, storytime capacity is 40 people.

Come share stories, songs, and rhymes! Each Monday and Thursday has different programs. Storytime runs about 15 minutes and is designed for ages 0-4, but all are welcome. Please check the events calendar on the FCL website for cancelations or closures. In the case of cancelation, Story Kits will be offered for in-library use at the Youth Services desk. This program is free and open to the public.