

AGENDA
FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #07-23
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 30 MAIN STREET, FREEPORT
TUESDAY, APRIL 4, 2023
6:00 PM

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FROM: Peter E. Joseph, Town Manager

TO: Councilor Chair Daniel Piltch, 25 Quarry Lane
Council Vice Chair, John Egan, 38 Curtis Road
Councilor Matthew Pillsbury, 36 Todd Brook Rd
Councilor Chip Lawrence, 93 Hunter Road
Councilor Darrel Fournier, 3 Fournier Drive
Councilor Jake Daniele, 264 Pownal Road
Councilor Edward Bradley, 242 Flying Point Road

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: Pledge of Allegiance

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: To waive the reading of the minutes of Meeting #06-23 held on March 21, 2023 and to accept the minutes as printed.

THIRD ORDER OF BUSINESS: Announcements (15 minutes)

FOURTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Information Exchange (15 minutes)

FIFTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Town Manager's Report (15 minutes)

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: Public Comment Period – (30 Minutes)
(Non-Agenda Items Only)

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SEVENTH ORDER OF BUSINESS: To take action on the following items of business as read by the Council Chairperson:

ITEM # 51-23 To consider action relative to adopting the April 4, 2023 Consent Agenda.

BE IT ORDERED: That the April 4, 2023 Consent Agenda be adopted.

(Council Chair Piltch) (5 minutes)

ITEM # 52-23 To consider action relative to the proposed Capital Program for FY2024.
PUBLIC HEARING.

MOTION: To open the Public Hearing

MOTION: To close the Public Hearing

BE IT ORDERED: That the proposed Capital Program for FY2024 be approved.

(Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(20 minutes)

ITEM # 53-23 To consider action relative to amendments to Chapter 2 Administrative Code, Section 509 to adopt Stretch Energy Codes effective July 1, 2023. PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: To open the Public Hearing

MOTION: To close the Public Hearing

BE IT ORDERED: That amendments to Chapter 2 Administrative Code, Section 509 to adopt Stretch Energy Codes effective July 1, 2023 be approved.

(Town Manager, Peter Joseph and Code Officer, Nicholas Adams) (5 minutes)

ITEM # 54-23 To consider action relative to setting a Public Hearing for proposed amendments to the Freeport Zoning Ordinance.

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for April 25, 2023 at the Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm at Town Hall, 30 Main Street to discuss proposed amendments to Section 413. Village Commercial 1 (VC-1), Section 414. Village Commercial 2 (VC-2), and Section 514. Off Street Parking and Loading of the Freeport Zoning Ordinance.

Note: This will be a public hearing to discuss potential amendments to add "parking lots" as a permitted use, subject to site plan review, in the Village Commercial 1 (VC-1) Zoning District (Section 413). Other related proposed amendments are minor changes to clarify language regarding setbacks in Section 413. Village Commercial District 1 (VC-1), correcting cross referencing error in Section 414. Village Commercial 2 (VC-2), and amending Section 514. Off-Street Parking and Loading to clarify conflicts that were identified in this process.

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(Town Planner, Caroline Pelletier) (10 minutes)

ITEM # 55-23 To consider action relative to setting a Public Hearing for amendments to Chapter 2, Administrative Code, Section 608 Community Library Board of Directors, to remove management rights of the Library Board of Trustees.

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for April 25, 2023 at the Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm at Town Hall, 30 Main Street to discuss amendments to Chapter 2, Administrative Code, , Section 608 Community Library Board of Directors, to remove management rights of the Library Board of Trustees.

(Library Director, Courtney Sparks) (10 minutes)

ITEM # 56-23 To consider action relative to accepting the Assessor's annual Affordable Housing TIF report.

BE IT ORDERED: That the Assessor's annual report on the Affordable Housing TIF be approved.

(Town Manager, Peter Joseph)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 57-23 To consider action relative to approving a Certificate(s) of Settlement for Fiscal Years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 and Certificate(s) of Recommitment for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023.

BE IT ORDERED: That the Certificate of Settlement for Fiscal Years 2020, 2021, 2022 and 2023 be approved.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the Certificate of Recommitment for Fiscal Years 2022 and 2023 be approved.

(Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(10 min)

ITEM # 58-23 To confirm the appointment of Jessica Maloy as Tax Collector.

BE IT ORDERED: That the Town Council confirms the appointment of Jessica Maloy as Tax Collector.

(Town Manager, Peter Joseph)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 59-23 To consider action relative to approving an amended Purchasing Policy.

BE IT ORDERED: That the amended Purchasing Policy be approved.

(Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(5 min)

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ITEM # 60-23 To consider action relative to the endorsing the 2023 Dog Licensing Warrant.

BE IT ORDERED: That the 2023 Dog Warrant be endorsed.

(Town Clerk, Christine Wolfe) (10 minutes)

ITEM # 61-23 To consider action relative to approval of the addendum to the Hunter Road Field Maintenance Agreement.

BE IT ORDERED: That the addendum to the Hunter Road Field Maintenance Agreement be approved.

(Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(15 minutes)

ITEM # 62-23 To consider action relative to Freeport Breaks the Silence of Domestic Abuse Campaign.

BE IT RESOLVED: by the Town of Freeport as follows

WHEREAS, domestic abuse and violence are serious injustices that affect people and families of all races, ages, genders and income levels; and

WHEREAS, each year nearly half the homicides in Maine are related to domestic abuse and violence; and

WHEREAS, in Maine, over 14,000 people affected by domestic violence reach out for help each year and

WHEREAS, domestic abuse and violence are preventable through public education initiatives, advocacy for better policies and support systems, resources affected by people of abuse, and holding perpetrators to account; and

WHEREAS, we all have a role in changing the cultural norms and interrupting the belief systems that underlie abuse and in making abusive behavior socially acceptable; and

WHEREAS, Freeport Breaks the Silence of Domestic Abuse month is an opportunity to shine a critical light on the issue of domestic abuse and violence

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Members of the Freeport Town Council do hereby proclaim June as:

“Freeport Breaks the Silence of Domestic Abuse Month”

And urges all citizens to recognize this observance.

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(Library Director, Courtney Sparks) (10 minutes)

ITEM # 63-23 To consider action relative to adopting the Town Council Goals and Guidelines for 2023.

BE IT ORDERED: That the 2023 Town Council Goals and Guidelines be adopted.

(Chair Piltch)(30 minutes)

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Tax Acquired Property Discussion (Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(20 min)

END OF AGENDA (Estimated time of adjournment 10:55 PM)

	OUTSTANDING OR UPCOMING ACTION ITEMS	INITIATED ON	PROPOSED BY	ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
#1	Review of Town fee schedule this year	1/4/2022	Councilor Pillsbury	Tasked for April 2023
#2	Schedule dates for touring facilities		Chair Piltch	
#3	Explore new fire rescue substation in District 2		Councilors Fournier & Bradley	