

AGENDA
FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #10-23
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 30 MAIN STREET, FREEPORT
TUESDAY, MAY 16, 2023
6:00 PM

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FROM: Caroline Pelletier, 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 #09-23 held on May 2, 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)

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

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ITEM # 94-23 To consider action relative to adopting the May 16, 2023 Consent Agenda.

BE IT ORDERED: That the May 16, 2023 Consent Agenda be adopted.

(Council Chair Piltch) (5 minutes)

ITEM # 95-23 To consider action relative to amendments to the Chapter 11, Building Code Ordinance of the Town of Freeport 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 ORDAINED: That amendments to the Chapter 11, Building Code Ordinance of the Town of Freeport, to adopt Stretch Energy Codes effective July 1, 2023 be approved

(Town Manager Caroline Pelletier) (10 minutes)

ITEM # 96-23 To consider action relative to setting a public hearing to discuss proposed amendments to the Chapter 39, Loitering, Curfew and Noise Ordinance of the Town of Freeport to add a new section pertaining to nuisance lighting. PUBLIC HEARING

MOTION: To open the Public Hearing

MOTION: To close the Public Hearing

BE IT ORDAINED: That proposed amendments to the Chapter 39, Loitering, Curfew and Noise Ordinance of the Town of Freeport be approved.

(Council Vice Chair Egan)(30 minutes)

ITEM # 97-23 To consider action relative to setting a Public Hearing for a new Liquor License for the Harraseeket Inn.

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for June 6, 2023 at the Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm at Town Hall, 30 Main Street to discuss a new liquor license for the Harraseeket Inn.

(Town Clerk, Christine Wolfe)(5 minutes)

ITEM # 98-23 To consider action relative to setting a Public Hearing for a new Special Amusement Permit.

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for June 6, 2023 at the Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm at Town Hall, 30 Main Street to discuss a new Special Amusement Permit for the Harraseeket Inn.

(Town Clerk, Christine Wolfe)(5 minutes)

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ITEM # 99-23 To consider action relative to a Letter of Intent and Exclusivity Agreement with Revision Energy for installing Level 3 EV Chargers on municipal property.

BE IT ORDERED: That the Letter of Intent and Exclusivity Agreement with Revision Energy for installing Level 3 EV Chargers on municipal property be endorsed.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the Town Manager be authorized to execute and endorse any documents required.

(Vice Chair Egan)(20 minutes)

ITEM # 100-23 To consider action relative to the disbursement of Cemetery Perpetual Care Funds.

BE IT ORDERED: That the following Perpetual Care Fund Principal balances be transferred to the Perpetual Card Fund Interest balances.

<u>Cemetery</u>	<u>Transfer Amount</u>
BURR	\$10,100.00
GROVE	\$3,000.00
WEBSTER	\$550.00
WOODLAWN	\$2,400.00
SOUTH FREEPORT	\$1,500.00
FLYING POINT	\$700.00
TOTAL	\$18,250.00

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: That the following Perpetual Care Funds be disbursed.

<u>CEMETERY</u>	<u>INVESTMENT INCOME</u>	<u>VETERANS' ALLOTMENT</u>	<u>Total</u>
BURR	\$ 3,614.17	\$ 9,800.00	\$ 13,414.17
DAVIS	\$ 44.25	\$ -	\$ 44.25
WOODWARD	\$ 411.44	\$ -	\$ 411.44
GROVE	\$ 1,425.96	\$ 2,950.00	\$ 4,375.96
CARRIE THOMAS	\$ 20.09	\$ -	\$ 20.09
WEBSTER	\$ 399.92	\$ 1,850.00	\$ 2,249.92
WOODLAWN	\$ 541.81	\$ 2,375.00	\$ 2,916.81
SO FREEPORT	\$ 1,471.42	\$ 2,750.00	\$ 4,221.42
MANN	\$ -	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
FLYING PT	\$ 203.66	\$ 450.00	\$ 653.66
Total	\$ 8,132.72	\$20,275.00	\$ 28,407.72

(Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(15 minutes)

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ITEM # 101-23 To consider action relative to an Arbor Week Proclamation May 14- May 20, 2023:

WHEREAS In 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, *and*

this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, *and*

Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, *and*

WHEREAS in 1978, Maine first celebrated Arbor Week during the third full week of May and continues to do so, *and*

in 2020, the Town Council of Freeport, Maine established the Municipal Tree Task Force, *and*

WHEREAS trees in our downtown landscapes contribute to a thriving economy, promote our sense of community, protect our natural resources, preserve our cultural heritage, and increase our overall well-being, *and*

WHEREAS well-planned landscaping enhances the economic vitality of business areas by calming traffic, boosting retail sales, reducing stormwater fees, providing shade for parking lots, roads, sidewalks, and buildings, and creating a visual gateway which welcomes visitors to Freeport, *and*

Trees ~ wherever they are planted ~are a source of beauty, joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Freeport Town Council, do hereby proclaim May 14-20, 2023 as **ARBOR WEEK** in the Town of Freeport, and we urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Week and to support efforts to protect our tree canopy and woodlands, *and*

FURTHER, We urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

(Council Chair Piltch)(5 minutes)

ITEM # 102-23 To consider action relative to an EMS Week Proclamation May 21- May 27, 2023:

WHEREAS, emergency medical services is a vital public service; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams are ready to provide life-saving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

WHEREAS, access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

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WHEREAS, emergency medical services has grown to fill a gap by providing important, out of hospital care, including preventative medicine, follow-up care, and access to telemedicine; and

WHEREAS, the emergency medical services system consists of first responders, emergency medical technicians, paramedics, emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, police officers, educators, administrators, pre-hospital nurses, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, trained members of the public, and other out of hospital medical care providers; and

WHEREAS, the members of emergency medical services teams, whether career or volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their life-saving skills; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of emergency medical services providers by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; now

NOW, THEREFORE, We, the Freeport Town Council, in recognition of this event do hereby proclaim the week of May 21 - 27, 2023, as **EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK**.

(Council Chair Piltch)(5 minutes)

ITEM # 103-23 To consider action relative to a Use of Town Property from Meetinghouse Arts to use Memorial Park.

BE IT ORDERED: That the Use of Town Property from Meetinghouse Arts to use Memorial Park on June 3, July 1, July 14, August 5, August 18 and September 2 be approved.

(Town Manager, Caroline Pelletier)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 104-23 To consider action relative to the option of the Town of Freeport to purchase a portion of a parcel of land located at 0 Lower Main Street (Tax Assessor Map 23, Lot 55).

BE IT ORDERED: that the Freeport Town Council move waive its option to purchase a nine (9) acre portion of a parcel of land located at 0 Lower Main Street (Tax Assessor Map 23, Lot 55), as currently owned by L.L. Bean, and for which L.L. Bean has the intent to sell to the Freeport Housing Trust (or an affiliated entity thereof) for the development of affordable housing.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED: that the Freeport Town Council determined that the proposed development of this subject portion of the parcel into affordable housing would be a benefit to the Town of Freeport.

(Town Manager, Caroline Pelletier)(10 minutes)

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Operating Budget Workshop (Finance Director, Jessica Maloy)(30 minutes)

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EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM # 105-23

To consider action relative to an Executive Session pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405(6)(C) pertaining to a Real Estate matter dealing with town owned property.

MOTION: That the Town Council enter Executive Session.

MOTION: That the Town Council exit Executive Session.

(15 minutes)

END OF AGENDA (Estimated time of adjournment 10:00 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	Explore new fire rescue substation in District 2		Councilors Fournier & Bradley	