

AGENDA
FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #26-23
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 30 MAIN STREET, FREEPORT
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2023
6:00 PM

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TO: Council Chair, John Egan, 38 Curtis Road
Councilor Vice Chair Daniel Piltch, 25 Quarry Lane
Councilor Matthew Pillsbury, 36 Todd Brook Rd
Councilor Chip Lawrence, 93 Hunter Road
Councilor Darrel Fournier, 3 Fournier Drive
Councilor Joanna Benoit, 1038 US Route 1
Councilor Eric C. Smith, 1464 US Route 1

FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS: Pledge of Allegiance

SECOND ORDER OF BUSINESS: To waive the reading of the minutes of Meeting #23-23 held on October 17, 2023, Meeting # 24-23 held on October 24, 2023 and #25-23 held on November 14, 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:

ITEM # 209-23 To consider action relative to adopting the December 5, 2023 Consent Agenda.

BE IT ORDERED: That the December 5, 2023 Consent Agenda be adopted.

(Council Chair Egan) (5 minutes)

ITEM # 210-23 To consider action relative setting a Public Hearing to discuss amendments to Chapter 6. Community Antenna Television Ordinance. PUBLIC HEARING

The Chair opens the Public Hearing

The Chair closes the Public Hearing

BE IT ORDAINED: That amendments to Chapter 6. Community Antenna Television Ordinance to change the Committee membership requirement to five (5) from seven (7) to be consistent with Chapter 2, Section 611 of the Administrative Code.

(Town Clerk, Christine Wolfe)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 211-23 To consider action relative to setting a public hearing regarding proposed Text Amendments to Section 534. Solar Energy Generation Systems of Chapter 21 Freeport Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum height standards for ground-mounted Accessory Solar Energy Generation Systems.

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for December 19, 2023 at the Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm in Freeport Council Chambers, 30 Main Street regarding proposed Text Amendments to Section 534. Solar Energy Generation Systems of Chapter 21 Freeport Zoning Ordinance regarding the maximum height standards for ground-mounted Accessory Solar Energy Generation Systems.

(Assistant Town Planner, Cecilia Smith)(5 minutes)

ITEM # 212-23 To consider action relative setting a Public Hearing regarding proposed Special Amusement Permit renewals.

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for December 19, 2023 at the Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm in Freeport Council Chambers, 30 Main Street regarding Special Amusement Permit renewals for the following:

- 1.** Mast Landing Brewing, 200 Lower Main Street
- 2.** The Bakeshop, 123 Main Street

(Town Clerk, Christine Wolfe)(5 minutes)

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ITEM # 213-23 To consider action relative to setting a Public Hearing regarding a Consent Agreement between the Town of Freeport and Cleveland Kapala Revocable Trust for property located at 28 Cunningham Rd (Tax Assessor Map 5A, Lot 32A).

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for December 19, 2023 at the Freeport Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm in Town Council Chambers, 30 Main Street regarding a Consent Agreement between the Town of Freeport and Cleveland Kapala Revocable Trust for property located at 28 Cunningham Rd (Tax Assessor Map 5A, Lot 32A).

(Town Planner, Caroline Pelletier)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 214-23 To consider action relative to setting a Public Hearing regarding a Consent Agreement between the Town of Freeport and Benjamin Willauer and Amanda Berry for property located at 90 Birch Point Rd (Tax Assessor Map 24, Lot 53C).

BE IT ORDERED: That a Public Hearing be set for December 19, 2023 at the Freeport Town Council meeting starting at 6 pm in Town Council Chambers, 30 Main Street regarding a Consent Agreement between the Town of Freeport and Benjamin Willauer and Amanda Berry for property located at 90 Birch Point Rd (Tax Assessor Map 24, Lot 53C).

(Town Planner, Caroline Pelletier)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 215-23 To consider action relative to the reallocation of ARPA Funds from Transportation Study to Transportation.

BE IT ORDERED: That \$10,000 in ARPA Funds be reallocated from Transportation Study to Transportation.

(Chair Egan)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 216-23 To consider action relative to the purchase of Night Vision Equipment with the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$60,000.

BE IT ORDERED: That the purchase of Night Vision Equipment with the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$60,000 be approved.

(Police Chief Goodman)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 217-23 To consider action relative to the purchase of Protective Helmets with the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$5,000.

BE IT ORDERED: That the purchase of Protective Helmets with the use of ARPA funds in the amount of \$5,000 be approved.

(Police Chief Goodman)(10 minutes)

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ITEM # 218-23 To consider action relative to the creating a committee to lead a public process to discuss possible acquisition of property at 22 Main Street, Freeport.

BE IT ORDERED: That the Town of Freeport creates a committee to lead a public process to discuss possible acquisition of property at 22 Main Street, Freeport.

(Council Chair Egan)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 219-23 To consider action relative to the renewal of the Bow Street Park Usage Agreement with the Hilton Garden Inn.

BE IT ORDERED: That the 2024 Bow Street Park Usage Agreement for with the Hilton Garden Inn be approved.

(Council Chair Egan)(10 minutes)

ITEM # 220-23 To consider action relative to appointing a Town Councilor Liaison to the Business Fit-Up Program Committee.

BE IT ORDERED: That _____ be appointed as the Town Council Liaison for the Business Fit Up Program Committee.

(Council Chair Egan)(5 minutes)

OTHER BUSINESS:

1. Tree Task Force update (Kristen Dorsey)(30 minutes)
2. November 21, 2023 Council Workshop Update (Vice Chair Piltch)(20 minutes)
3. November 28, 2023 Council Workshop Update (Chair Egan)(20 minutes)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

ITEM # 221-23 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 at 55 Main Street, Freeport.

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 10:25 PM)

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