

Memo

To: Town Council

From: Christine Wolfe

Date: 2/21/2019

Re: Doherty's North Freeport General Store

Per the Town of Freeport's Victualers Licensing Ordinance, any establishment that serves food or drink prepared for consumption by the public within the corporate boundaries of the Town of Freeport shall be required to annually apply for and be granted a Victualers License. Doherty's North Freeport General Store is required per this section to operate with a valid Victualers License. Their current license expired on December 31, 2018. The Clerk's Office was unable to issue the license renewal due to outstanding property taxes owed to the Town of Freeport.

Notice was mailed to owner, Ryan Doherty, on January 7, 2019 requiring payment of taxes owed before January 31, 2019. We did not receive payment and are therefore presenting this matter to the Town Council for public hearing. Section 8 of the Victualers Ordinance reads as follows:

The Municipal Officers may determine that an establishment which has not obtained a license is required to obtain a license, or that a licensed establishment has violated conditions and restrictions applicable to the license. The Municipal Officers shall provide the Licensee, at least three days prior to the hearing date, with notice of the time and place of the hearing at which any of these issues will be considered.