

M I N U T E S
TOWN OF FREEPORT
MEETING OF THE FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL
#20-84 NOVEMBER 13, 1984 @ 7:30 P.M.
HIGH SCHOOL - ROOM #306

☒ Regular

☐ Special

Chairman's Call to Order

Present Absent Excused

Hugh Phelps, Chairman, Porters Landing
Frederick Palmer, ViceChairman, Porters Landing
Vaughndella Curtis
Robert Davenport, Bartol Island Road
William Lunt, Webster Road
John Nelson, Church Street
Barbara McGivaren, 18 Maple Avenue

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Moved and Seconded - To waive the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #19-84 held October 16, 1984 and accept the Minutes as printed.

(Councilors Lunt & Curtis) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Freeport Town Clerk report on the returns of the November 6, 1984 Federal, State and Local Election.

(Councilors Curtis & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Town Clerk's Report be accepted.

(Councilors Curtis & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Roll Call of New Council

Pres. Abs. Exc.

Hugh Phelps, Chairperson, Porters Landing
Frederick Palmer, Vice-Chairperson, Porters Landing
Vaughndella Curtis, Pine Street
William Lunt, Webster Road
John Nelson, Church Street
Barbara McGivaren, 18 Maple Avenue
William Ormsby, Lower Mast Landing

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Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of
Council Chairperson be accepted.
(Councilors Nelson & Ormsby) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Councilor Curtis placed Frederick Palmer's name for nomination.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease.
(Councilors Curtis & Ormsby) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Councilor Phelps announced that Councilor Palmer is the new
Chairperson and relinquished his seat to Mr. Palmer.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of
Council Vice-Chairperson be accepted.
(Councilors Nelson & Ormsby) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Councilor McGivaren placed Vaughndella Curtis's name for
nomination.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease.
(Councilors Lunt & Curtis) (6 Ayes) (1 Abstain, Councilor Curtis)

Council Chairperson Palmer announced that Councilor Curtis is
the new Vice Chairperson and relinquished his seat to Mrs.
Curtis.

ITEM #162-84 WHEREAS, by Order duly adopted by the Town Council of the Town of Freeport on October 2, 1984, the Town Council indicated its initial approval of revenue obligation securities for the Dingley Press in the amount of \$1,700,000; and

WHEREAS, the Dingley Press has indicated that the scope of the project has increased and has requested that the Town Council of the Town of Freeport indicate its initial approval for the issuance of revenue obligation securities of the Town in the amount of \$2,100,000,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDERED - That the Order of this Council adopted on October 2, 1984, which approved the issuance of \$1,700,000 of revenue obligation securities for the expansion and equipping of the Dingley Press, be and hereby are amended to increase the amount of securities therein authorized to \$2,100,000.

(Councilors Phelps & Curtis)
(6 Ayes) (1 Abstain, Councilor Curtis)

Moved and Seconded - To waive the Rules of Procedure for Resolutions which are not on the printed Agenda.
(Councilors McGivaren & Curtis) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Councilor McGivaren read the following Resolutions:

WHEREAS, ROBERT DAVENPORT has served as District 2 Councilor since March 1982, and

WHEREAS, He has faithfully and with dedication performed the duties of this office, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Freeport Town Council hereby publicly express its appreciation to Robert Davenport for his faithful attention to the duties of his office, for the courtesy shown to his fellow councilors, for his devoted service on behalf of the Town of Freeport and its citizens during his tenure as District 2 Councilor, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution signed by the Town Council be prepared and presented to Mr. Davenport.

WHEREAS, ROBERT DAVENPORT has faithfully attended all council meetings and workshops during his tenure, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Davenport's sub-committee attendance record has also been unblemished, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Mr. Davenport be awarded the "First Annual Perfect Attendance Award".

Councilor McGivaren presented Mr. Davenport a plaque from the Council.

Councilor Curtis read the following Resolutions:

WHEREAS, HUGH PHELPS has served as Chairman of the Freeport Town Council from March 13, 1983 to November 13, 1984, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Phelps has faithfully and with dedication performed the duties of this office, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Freeport Town Council hereby publicly express its appreciation to Hugh Phelps for his leadership, devoted service and faithful attention to his fellow councilors, and to his many contributions to the Town of Freeport and its citizens during his tenure as the Chairman of the Freeport Town Council,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be signed by the Town Council and presented to Mr. Phelps.

WHEREAS, HUGH PHELPS has consistently been the most conservative member of the Town Council, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Phelps has been unwilling to compromise during the budget process and setting of the tax rate, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That Mr. Phelps be awarded the "First Annual Tightwad Award".

Councilor Curtis presented Mr. Phelps a plaque from the Council.

- ITEM #163-84 Be It Ordered - That the Reserve Fund of \$10,000 established for the purchase of cable tv equipment be released and used for the purchase of equipment needed to establish a local access channel.
(Councilors Ormsby & McGivaren)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)
- ITEM #164-84 Be It Ordered - That the Town Treasurer be authorized to issue a Quit Claim Deed to Alma Buotte releasing any interest of the Town of Freeport for the following property: Town of Freeport Map 3 Lot 6.
(Councilors Nelson & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)
- ITEM #165-84 Be It Ordered - That a Public Hearing be scheduled for November 20, 1984 at 7:30 P.M. in Room 306 of the Freeport High School to discuss proposed amendments to the Freeport Zoning Ordinance.

Be It Further Ordered - That 30 copies of the proposed amendments be printed and distributed equally between the Town Clerk's Office and the B.H. Bartol Library for inspection by citizens.
(Councilors Curtis & Ormsby)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)
- ITEM #166-84 Be It Ordered - That Thomas Quesada be re-appointed, effective immediately, to serve as a member of the Design Review Board until October 1, 1985.

Be It Further Ordered - That Mr. Quesada qualify by swearing an Oath of Office before the Town Clerk by November 26, 1984.
(Councilors Curtis & McGivaren)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)
- ITEM #167-84 Be It Ordered - That the Town Manager be authorized to sign and execute an Agreement between the Town of Freeport and Regional Waste Systems for Freeport's participation in Phase III of the Resource Recovery Project.
(Councilors Nelson & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To read "the estate of Ralph W. Prout"
(Councilors Curtis & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #168-84 Be It Ordered - That the Town Treasurer be
authorized to issue a Quit Claim Deed to
Ralph W. Prout releasing any interest of
the Town of Freeport for the following
property: Town of Freeport Map 18 Lot 49E.
(Councilors Lunt & McGivaren)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To amend the Proposed Amendments as
follows: Section 4 Definitions - E. Recreational digging in
Wolf's Neck State Park will not require a recreational license.
(Councilors Phelps & Nelson) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #156-84 Be It Ordered - That the Proposed Amendments
to the Shellfish Conservation Ordinance, as
submitted to Public Hearing on October 16,
1984, be approved.
(Councilors Phelps & Nelson)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Town Manager Olmstead gave the results of the November 5
meeting with members of the Shellfish Commission, Coastal
Waters Commission, Council, Police Department and himself.
Recommendations were: (1) Effective January 1, 1985 the two
positions of Harbormaster/Clam Warden would be split; there
will be a Clam Warden and part time Harbormaster position.
(2) Coastal Waters will put "teeth" into their regulations
and will have those requests to the Council by January 15.
(3) The position of Harbormaster will report directly to the
Town Manager. (4) The Harbormaster will be located at the
Town Dock; roughly, June, July, August and September; no
additional monies will be required to do this; a person who
owns property will be able to provide space for the Harbor-
master; Coastal Waters recommended this particular person.

Mr. Olmstead reported that Robert Lyman, Acting Superintendent
of Schools has requested a meeting with the School Committee
and Council to discuss mutual concerns, in particular the
budget and relationships between the two boards; School
Committee needs some guidance from the Council before they get
into the budget too far; a proposed workshop will be December
11, 1984.

Town Manager Olmstead passed out a map to councilors detailing the different steps Dept. of Transportation will be pursuing to finish Old County Road; starting at I-95 the first 400 feet of road will be repaired during the next week with some sort of asphalt or mulch, a degree less than hottop; eventually, LL Bean will petition to have that section of road abandoned. The next 600 feet will be repaired and will be reconstructed over the 1985 contract with 2 inch hottop. Next 1300 feet left - 600 feet will be the responsibility of the Town and not Bridge Construction; the Town will hottop in 1985 - this will be torn up in 1985 and completely reconstructed. Next 1450 feet will be completely reconstructed by Bridge Construction with a 1½ inch base. Last 250 feet will be repaired with the mulch type material. The Town will try to have the 600 feet hottopped by the State or DOT. The Council objective is to have the 1900 feet hottopped.

Mr. Olmstead pointed out that the Council had received a second request from DOT for "cost sharing" for the installation of a railroad light. Would the Council like to reconsider? Council requested Mr. Olmstead contact the railroad company to find out why they are not paying for this light. This item will be scheduled at a workshop.

Councilor McGivaren brought up complaints she has received regarding an individual removing wood from Soule School; Mr. Olmstead explained that the principal of the school had made a deal with this individual that if the school grounds were cleaned up the individual could have the wood; Council agreed that the policy is to let the Council know first; anything in the future should be directed through the proper channels; this item will be discussed at a future workshop.

Councilor Curtis brought up the fact that Christmas falls on a Tuesday and suggested that the Town offices should get the day before off; Council agreed to this.

Council Chairperson and Vice Council Chairperson will set up the council committees; please contact one of them if you have a preference for being on one of the committees.

Councilor Curtis suggested that the Planning Board, Board of Appeals and Council agendas be printed in the Shopping Notes; Council agreed these meetings should be publicized more if possible.

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On the subject of recycling, Mr. Olmstead explained that the haulers have passed out flyers to the customers; also, Rod Regier is gathering up some information to put in the newspaper on the subject.

Council Chairperson would like Council goals and objectives; councilors should try and develop these by early December.

Moved and Seconded - To bring Item #165-84 out of context.
(Councilors Phelps & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To amend Item #165-84 to alter the date to November 27, 1984 instead of November 20.
(Councilors Phelps & Curtis) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 8:55 P.M.
(Councilors Nelson & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

The above was recorded by:

Mary D. Wescott
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Council Secretary

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