

M I N U T E S
 FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #2-87
 JANUARY 20, 1987 7:30 P.M.
 FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER

X Regular

 Special

<u>Chairperson's Call to Order</u>	Present	Abs.	Exc.
Edward Bonney, Chairperson, 21 Maple Avenue	<u>X</u>		
Robert Hartnett, Vice-Chairperson, Desert Road	<u>X</u>		
John Nelson, Church Street	<u>X</u>		
Vaughndella Curtis, Pine Street		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Hugh Phelps, Porters Landing	<u>X</u>		
William Ormsby, Lower Mast Landing	<u>X</u>		
William Grady, Elm Street Extension	<u>X</u>		

Moved and Seconded - To waive the reading of the
 Minutes of Meeting #1-87 held January 6, 1987,
 and accept the Minutes as printed.
 (Councilors Hartnett & Grady) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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ITEM #9-87

Be It Ordered - That the Town Manager be authorized to sign and execute an Agreement between the Town of Freeport and Wilbur S. and Reta M. CARTER, giving the Town the exclusive right to excavate and take gravel and other earth material from premises of the owners known as Map 17, Lots 87 & 87A on Town of Freeport Property Maps.
(Councilors Ormsby & Nelson)
(6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #10-87

Be It Ordered - That the Town Treasurer be authorized to issue a Quit Claim Deed releasing any interest of the Town of Freeport for the following property:
Town of Freeport Map 27, Lot 9C
To: Robert E. and Judith M. CAVEN for
Tax Years 1982 and 1983.
(Councilors Nelson & Ormsby)
(6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #11-87

Be It Ordered - That Sigurd Knudsen, Jr.
Lyndel J. Wishcamper
Christine Hastedt
Robert Hartnett
John A. Nelson
Barbara McGivaren
Thomas Kelley
Francis Holbrook
John Slavin
Lin Peyton

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be appointed, effective immediately, to serve as members of the Task Force on Housing Displacement.

Be It Further Ordered - That the above named qualify by swearing an oath of office before the Town Clerk by January 30, 1987.
(Councilors Nelson & Phelps)
(6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That Item #18-87 be tabled indefinitely.
(Councilors Nelson & Ormsby) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Moved and Seconded - To bring Item #3-87 off the table.
(Councilors Nelson & Phelps) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That Item #3-87 be indefinitely tabled.
(Councilors Nelson & Phelps) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Other Business:

1. Discussion on junk metals at the landfill:
Roger Bondeson, Recycling Director, stated that the contract with RWS will accept metal, however, the drawbacks are:
(1) there is a \$20 tipping fee plus, (2) there's a transportation cost, also, the haulers will not pick up metal; Roger then suggested (1) maintaining a metal depot at the landfill, (2) hiring a company to bale on site then truck to its destination mill either in Mass. or N.H., (3) the cost would be \$12 per ton or roughly \$5,000 per year; Roger stated that the landfill roughly generates 200 tons a year and the \$5,000 would be part of the budget process; councilors suggested coming up with a fee schedule for any metal dumped at the landfill - the Solid Waste Study Committee is looking into this; Council agreed to go ahead on this project - Roger is to make arrangements and then Council will make arrangements for disbursement of the money.
2. A citizen from the Webster Road spoke to the Council on problems with his tax assessments; he was in to see Mr. Downey and did receive an abatement, however, the citizen was concerned that for the past 11 years, the assessments on his property have been 40% off and he was credited with only 10% of his total taxes paid; when Mr. Lindsey asked if he could receive abatements for the past 10 years, he was told it was against the law - upon inquiring with the Dept. of Taxation, they state there is no such law, that the town officials have authority to grant such an abatement; Council have asked that the Town Manager check with the town attorney to get some ruling on this situation.
3. Auditor's Report: Brooks & Carter reports that the town revenues have exceeded \$300,000 which is more than was budgeted; the Fund Balance as of June 30 was \$949,000 - of that amount \$100,000 has been voted for Equipment Reserve Account and \$240,000 was used to cover this year's tax rate; there is now a Fund Balance of \$600,000, The Maine Bond Bank estimates you should have a balance of roughly 1/12th of the operating budget - Freeport's is 1/10th of a 6 million dollar budget - the Town is in good shape; the Town made \$96,000 in interest last year.

4. Robert Hartnett reported on the Ordinance Committee: they discussed the Towing Ordinance -the suggestion was made to raise the fees for towing to \$30 for daytime and \$40 for nighttime, and \$6 for storage; the Cable TV Committee wants to expand to 7 members; the Highway is requesting a minimum calling time for when members are called in their off hours - MDOT and Police have a 4 hour minimum provision; public restrooms - the committee feels that the full council should be involved on this decision; the Towing fees, Cable TV members and minimum calling time will be placed on future agendas for action by the Council.
5. Becky Grant has requested an appropriation of \$150 so that she may attend a national land grant meeting in Monterey, California; Council agreed.
6. Language explaining the various school building committees have been received by the Council and Town Clerk; the language is sufficient; the Early Childhood Center refers to pre kindergarten classes.
7. A letter received from Anne Wold was discussed; FCS is working toward getting a skating rink established.
8. John Nelson's establishment of "neighborhood councils" is scheduled for a future workshop.
9. Ed Bonney mentioned the "sales analysis" from Joe Downey and wished a more detailed explanation; the report states the town is in "good shape".
10. Chairperson Bonney reminded the Council that on March 10 they will be meeting with the Yarmouth Town Council; councilors should come up with some items for an agenda.
11. Councilor Phelps stated that a constituent of his was very concerned that the Planning Board is seriously using the bedrock aquifier report to plan some rezoning; the Chairperson & Vice Chairperson were meeting tomorrow with a member and would question him on it.

Moved and Seconded - That the Council enter into Executive Session to discuss pending litigation.
(Councilors Nelson & Ormsby) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council reconvene.
(Councilors Ormsby & Hartnett) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Moved and Seconded - That the Council enter into Executive Session to discuss the Disposition of Municipal Property on Oak Street.
(Councilors Phelps & Hartnett) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council reconvene.
(Councilors Ormsby & Hartnett) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council enter into Executive Session to discuss the Disposition of the Former Middle School Property.
(Councilors Hartnett & Ormsby) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council reconvene.
(Councilors Hartnett & Phelps) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Councilor Ormsby wished to be excused at 10:35 P.M.

Moved and Seconded - That the Council enter into Executive Session to discuss the Disposition of the Municipal Complex.
(Councilors Hartnett & Phelps) (5 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council reconvene.
(Councilors Nelson & Grady) (5 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 11:02 P.M.
(Councilors Nelson & Grady) (5 Ayes) (0 Nays)

The foregoing was recorded by:

Mary P. Wescott
Mary P. Wescott,
Council Secretary

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