

M I N U T E S
FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #10-87
7:30 P.M. - HIGH SCHOOL MEDIA CENTER
MAY 5, 1987

X Regular

 Special

| <u>Chairperson's Call to Order</u> | Present Abs. Exc. |
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| 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> |
| 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 #9-86 held April 21,
1987, and accept the Minutes as printed.
(Councilors Hartnett & Curtis) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn and the Licensing Board convene.

(Councilors Phelps & Curtis) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

| <u>Roll Call of Members</u> | <u>Present</u> | <u>Absent</u> | <u>Excused</u> |
|-----------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Edward Bonney | X | | |
| Robert Hartnett | X | | |
| Vaughndella Curtis | X | | |
| Hugh Phelps | X | | |
| John Nelson | X | | |
| William Ormsby | X | | |
| William Grady | X | | |
| Mary Wescott | X | | |
| Dale Olmstead | X | | |

Moved and Seconded - That the following Application for a Victualer's License be subject to Public Hearing:

Norman O. Baker, d/b/a Sandy Cedar Haven, Baker Road,
(Members Phelps & Curtis) (9 Yes) (0 No)

- Let the record show that Councilor Grady is present at 7:33 P.M. -

Moved and Seconded - That the Public Hearing be closed.
(Members Phelps & Ormsby) (9 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #98-87 Be It Ordered - That the Application for a Victualer's License issued to Norman O. Baker, d/b/a Cedar Haven, Baker Road, be approved.
(Members Phelps & Ormsby) (9 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the Licensing Board adjourn and the Council reconvene.
(Members Phelps & Ormsby) (9 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #99-87 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 20, Lot 52-3
To: Barbara G. Goldsworthy for Tax Year 1974
(Note: This property is located on Carriage Road)
(Councilors Curtis & Hartnett)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To amend the Order by adding the word Senior.
(Councilors Curtis & Hartnett) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #100-87 Be It Ordered - That Joseph Murray be appointed, effective immediately, to serve as a member of the Solid Waste Study Committee.
Be It Further Ordered - That Mr. Murray qualify by swearing an oath of office before the Town Clerk by May 15, 1987.
(Councilors Curtis & Hartnett)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #101-87 Be It Ordered - That Edward Bonney be re-appointed to serve as Freeport's Representative to the Greater Portland Council of Government's General Assembly for a one-year term.
(Councilors Curtis & Nelson)
(6 Ayes) (1 Abstain, Councilor Bonney)

ITEM #102-87 Be It Ordered - That John Swan be re-appointed to serve as Freeport's Representative to the Greater Portland Council of Government's General Assembly for a one-year term.
(Councilors Nelson & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #103-87 Be It Ordered - That a Public Hearing be scheduled for May 19, 1987 at 7:30 P.M. in the Media Center at Freeport High School to discuss proposed amendments to the Harbor Rules and Regulations.

Be It Further Ordered - That 30 copies be printed and distributed between the Town Clerk's Office and the B.H.Bartol Library for inspection by citizens.
(Councilors Nelson & Ormsby)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #104-87 Be It Ordered - That the former Middle School Gymnasium be demolished and removed from Howard Place.

Be It Further Ordered - That the Town Manager seek a minimum of three bids to accomplish the demolition and removal of the Gymnasium.
(Councilors Grady & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

(Consensus of the Council wish the Town Manager to extend the bidding process for two more weeks and place an ad in the newspaper; also, that guidelines be drawn up for the bidders.)

ITEM #105-87 Be It Ordered - That the Capital Budget item funding public facilities (Mallet Building) in the amount of \$29,500.00, approved as a part of the Fiscal Year 1986 Capital Plan, be abandoned.
(Councilors Grady & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To amend Item #106-87 to read as follows:

"Be It Ordered - That up to \$2,000.00 of the Miscellaneous and Contingency Fund be spent for the purchase of Traffic and Parking Signs."

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

ITEM #106-87 Be It Ordered - That up to \$2,000.00 of the Capital Funds abandoned in Item #105-87 be reallocated for the purchase of Traffic and Parking Signs, as amended above.
(Councilors Hartnett & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To amend Item #107-87 to read as follows:

"Be It Ordered - That up to \$7,000.00 of the Miscellaneous and Contingency Fund be spent to fund a Traffic and Parking Study."

(Councilors Nelson & Phelps) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #107-87 Be It Ordered - That up to \$7,000.00 of the Capital Funds abandoned in Item #105-87 be reallocated to fund a Traffic and Parking Study, as
(Councilors Ormsby & Nelson) amended above.
(6 Ayes) (1 Nay, Councilor Hartnett)

Moved and Seconded - To amend Item #108-87 to read as follows:

"Be It Ordered - That up to \$5,000.00 of the Miscellaneous and Contingency Fund be contributed to the Public Facilities Project being proposed by the Renwood Companies/Freeport Village Square."

(Councilors Nelson & Phelps) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That Item #108-87, as amended, be tabled until a future date.

(Councilors Hartnett & Ormsby) (6 Ayes) (1 Nay, Councilor Nelson)

ITEM #109-87 Be It Ordered - That an Emergency Amendment to the Traffic and Parking Ordinance be adopted allowing the Chief of Police to make trial changes in traffic flows in the Design Review District.
(Councilors Grady & Curtis)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

amendment attached

ITEM #92-87 Be It Ordered - That the proposal to Convert the Former Middle School Site into a Municipal Parking Lot, as submitted to Public Hearing on April 21, 1987, be approved.

Be It Further Ordered - That up to \$75,000.00 be expended from the Parking Reserve Account for the Construction of the Municipal Parking Lot.

Town Manager Dale Olmstead was requested to read the following two letters into the Minutes:

"To Freeport Town Council
Freeport, Maine 04032

The B. H. Bartol Library Board of Trustees accepts the proposal of the Freeport Traffic and Parking Committee with the following conditions:

Five (5) parking places adjacent to the Library in back of the Mobil Station with a 4 foot wide lighted walkway with adequate Library Parking Only signs to the existing main entrance of Nathan Nye Street.

Three (3) parking spaces on the Left of Nathan Nye Street with 1 marked for Parking for the Handicapped. These spaces to be marked with Library Parking Only signs and will be available if Nathan Nye traffic becomes right turn only.

Six (6) lined parking places on the Left in the existing Library Parking Lot with a barrier separating it from the planned thru-way to the Historical and Municipal Parking Lots on Howard Place. This lot must have Library Parking Only signs and proper drainage.

It is our understanding that L.L. Bean, Inc., will provide parking attendant coverage for the five parking spaces at the rear of the Library Building and the six spaces in our existing lot.

Signed: Catherine Wagner
Chairperson, Library Board of Trustees"

"To Dale Olmstead, Town Manager
Freeport Town Office
4 Main Street, Freeport, Me. 04032

Dear Dale:

The purpose of this letter is to indicate L.L. Bean, Inc.'s willingness to provide four parking spaces in our parking lot located between Morse Street and Nathan Nye Street for use by the Freeport Library Patrons. The four spaces would be located in the Southeast Corner of our lot immediately adjacent to the West Wall of the Library Building.

Our willingness to provide these spaces is the result of the work of the Freeport Traffic and Parking Committee. As you know, the Committee has recommended to the Council that the Town (1) convert the old Middle School Property into a Municipal Parking Lot, and (2) integrate that lot with the parking lots behind the Lobster Cooker and the Historical Society Buildings and with the L.L. Bean Main Parking Lot. To integrate these four lots, the Town will need to build a one-way road from Nathan Nye Street to School Lane to basically connect the four parking lots noted.

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L.L. Bean letter continued -

The roadway between Nathan Nye and School Lane will utilize a portion of the current Library Parking Lot and will result in loss of some six parking spaces for the Freeport Library. In order to make up this loss of parking for the Library, the Town will provide some on-street parking adjacent to the Library and L.L. Bean will provide four spaces in its parking lot behind the Library.

These spaces are being provided to the Library on the understanding that the four spaces will still be counted as L.L. Bean Parking whenever the Town evaluates the parking requirements for the L.L. Bean Retail Store.

L.L. Bean is strongly supportive of the work of the Freeport Traffic and Parking Committee. We believe that the proposal to convert the Middle School Lot to a parking lot and to integrate the four lots between Morse Street and School Lane will have a major, positive impact on the Town's parking and traffic problems. We genuinely appreciate the support of the Town and all of the parties involved in this effort. We look forward to an improved parking and traffic situation in the summer of 1987.

Thanks for your help.

Signed: William T. End
Executive Vice-President
L.L. Bean, Inc."

The vote for Item #92-87 was: (Councilors Curtis & Phelps)
7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Other Business:

1. John Arsenault was concerned that he filled out an application stating he was interested in serving on the Coastal Waters & had no feed back; Council explained no citizen is guaranteed a spot on any board or commission just because they fill out this form; the vacancy was not yet determined; in the future acknowledgement would be sent out to interested citizens letting them know the form had been received.
2. Councilors reported on their respective district meetings:
William Grady, District 1 -
Approximately 12-15 people attended; main concerns were about the water company, taxes and the budget; it was a successful meeting, lasting approximately 2 hours; Mr. Grady welcomes more.

William Ormsby, District 2 -
Twenty-six people attended; their main concerns were taxes & the way land is valued.

Hugh Phelps, District 3 -
About 20-25 people attended; their main aggrevations were taxes, public access, street lights & signs; a suggestion was made to implement design review in South Freeport.

Robert Hartnett, District 4 -

He was disappointed by the turn out, approximately 4 people attended, eliminating the school members, the press and the councilors; hopefully, more people will attend in the future. Their concerns were taxes.

Chairperson Bonney attended all the meetings and felt they were beneficial for all.

3. The petition to discontinue a street light on Pleasant Hill Road will be put on a future agenda to schedule a public hearing.
4. Report from the Ordinance Committee:
Chairman Hartnett reported that the Committee will be recommending parking at the High School and Coffin's Loop; the Committee will study parking on Main Street from School to Bow Streets and will recommend a handicapped parking space in front of the Congregational Church - these items will be forthcoming on a May Agenda.

Councilor Ormsby is excused at 9:54 P.M. from the Meeting

5. Town Manager received a request from the L.L. Bean Race Director to use Bow Street Park for their July 4 activities; Council gave their concensus.
6. Councilor Hartnett mentioned an ad regarding "productivity of employees; and requested the Town Manager put a copy in each councilor's packet.
7. Councilor Nelson mentioned that Maine Municipal Association is willing to sponsor and run a Senate District Meeting to inform people of tax reform at the State level; Kay Rand will send out the invitations once a date has been established and will also pick a speaker; Council tentatively selected May 18 or June 1 as possible dates.
8. Councilor Nelson invited councilors to attend a meeting the next night regarding the South American problem.
9. Town Manager informed the Council that the State of Maine is offering to the Town as a first refusal a parcel of land off I-95 that once was used as a picnic area; it is approximately 6.2 acres and the State is asking \$900,000.00; they will offer it to other towns if Freeport is not interested; the Town Assessor has stated it is over valued; Council decided they are not interested in this piece of land.

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 10:08 P.M.
(Councilors Hartnett & Curtis) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

The foregoing was recorded by:

Mary D. Wescott
Mary D. Wescott, Council Secretary

adopted
~~PROPOSED~~

EMERGENCY

AMENDMENT TO THE TRAFFIC & PARKING ORDINANCE

Be It Ordered - That the Chief of Police be permitted to make ^{trial} changes in traffic flow, parking, signage, and pedestrian flow in the Design Review District in order to insure the safety of motorists and pedestrians by attempting to improve traffic and pedestrian flows.

Adopted May 5, 1987