

M I N U T E S  
FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #17-88  
FREEPORT HIGH SCHOOL      MEDIA CENTER  
JULY 5, 1988                      7:30 P.M.

☐ Regular

☐ Special

<u>Chairman's Call to Order</u>	Present	Absent	Excused
Robert Hartnett, Chairman Desert Road	<u>X</u>		
John Nelson, Vice-Chairman Church Street	<u>X</u>		
Edward Bonney, 21 Maple Avenue	<u>X</u>		
Kirk Goddard, Mast Landing Road	<u>X</u>		
William Grady, Elm Street Extension	<u>X</u>		
Robert Stevens, Porters Landing	<u>X</u>		
John Paterson, Flying Point Road		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>

Moved and Seconded - To waive the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #16-88 held June 21, 1988, and accept the Minutes as printed.

(Councilors Nelson & Grady) (5 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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

(Councilors Grady & Bonney) (5 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Roll Call of Members

	Present	Absent	Excused
Robert Hartnett	<u>X</u>		
John Nelson	<u>X</u>		
Edward Bonney	<u>X</u>		
William Grady	<u>X</u>		
John Paterson		<u>X</u>	<u>X</u>
Robert Stevens	<u>X</u>		
Kirk Goddard	<u>X</u>		
Mary Wescott	<u>X</u>		
Dale Olmstead	<u>X</u>		

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

Michele Volansky, d/b/a Ben & Jerry's Pushcart, 35 Main Street.  
(Members Grady & Bonney) (7 Yes) (0 No)

For the record, Councilor Stevens is in attendance at 7:40 P.M.

Moved and Seconded - That the Public Hearing be closed.

(Members Grady & Bonney) (8 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #144-88

Be It Ordered - That the above named applicant Michele Volansky, d/b/a Ben & Jerry's Pushcart, 35 Main Street, be approved for a Victualer's License.

(Members Grady & Bonney) (8 Yes) (0 No)

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

(Members Grady & Nelson) (8 Yes) (0 No)

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Moved and Seconded - That the proposed Appropriation Ordinance for \$37,500.00 to Provide for a Wheelchair Lift for the B.H.Bartol Library be subject to Public Hearing.

(Councilors Goddard & Stevens) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Chairman Hartnett read the Appropriation Ordinance into the record:

"The Town of Freeport Hereby Ordains - That a sum not to exceed Thirty Seven Thousand Five-Hundred Dollars (\$37,500.00) is hereby appropriated for the purpose of providing a Wheelchair Lift for the B.H.Bartol Library; and to meet said appropriation, the Chairman of the Town Council and the Town Treasurer are authorized to issue general obligation securities of the Town of Freeport in a total principal amount not to exceed \$37,500.00, with discretion to fix the date, place of payment, forms, and other details of the securities, and providing the sale thereof delegated to the Chairman of the Town Council and the Town Treasurer."

Moved and Seconded - That the Public Hearing be closed.  
(Councilors Goddard & Stevens) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the proposed Appropriation Ordinance for \$37,500.00 to Provide for a Wheelchair Lift for the B.H.Bartol Library be tabled until August 2, 1988.  
(Councilors Goddard & Stevens) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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ITEM #146-88      Be It Ordered - That the Town Manager's appointment of Gerald B. Schofield as Chief of Police be confirmed.  
(Councilors Bonney & Stevens) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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ITEM #147-88      Be It Ordered - That the Town Manager's appointment of Arthur Osgood as Freeport's Electrical Inspector be confirmed.  
(Councilors Stevens & Bonney) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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ITEM #148-88      Be It Ordered - That the following amounts be transferred into the various accounts to cover overdrafts in the Fiscal Year 1988 Operating Budget:

Transfer from:	
Miscellaneous & Contingency	\$29,735.00
Health & Welfare	4,227.00
for a Total Transfer of:	\$33,962.00
and	
Transfer to:	
General Government	\$11,410.00
Debt Service	4,227.00
for a Total Transfer of:	\$33,962.00
(Councilors Nelson & Bonney) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)	

Town Manager Olmstead explained that \$12,500.00 is left over from the Fiscal Year 1988 Operating Budget and will go into Surplus. Also, there is a balance left of \$11,971.17 in the Miscellaneous and Contingency Account.

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Other Business:

1. Town Manager Olmstead attended a recent Manager's Meeting where there was some concern among three towns that the correct population figures were not being used, thus depriving the towns of more revenues for roads and state revenue sharing; the three towns are Scarborough, Falmouth and Freeport; it will cost approximately each town \$1,700 to take this case to the State. Councilors agreed the money and gamble was worth it.

Continued -

Moved and Seconded - To take up an item not on the printed Agenda.  
(Councilors Bonney & Nelson) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

(ITEM #149-88	To consider action relative to an expenditure	)
(	from the Miscellaneous & Contingency Account	)
(	for the Fiscal Year 1988 Operating Budget.	)

ITEM #149-88      Be It Ordered - That an amount not to exceed  
\$1,700.00 be transferred from the Fiscal Year  
1988 Operating Budget's Miscellaneous and  
Contingency Account to fund a Study of the  
Current Population Figures for the Town of  
Freeport.  
(Councilors Bonney & Nelson) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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2. Town Manager Olmstead needed direction from the Council regarding the Sewer District; they are only able to accept 3,000 gallon tanks, but, there are three companies in town that have 5,000 gal. tanks and the Town will have to find an alternate dumping place for these businesses, who are, Winslow Park, Freeport Nursing Home and Freeport Inn; Portland Sewer District will accept the dumping, however, they are requesting that an agreement be signed for an annual fee of \$2,500; Council agreed the agreement should be signed and a user fee be pro-rated among the three establishments.
  3. Councilor Stevens brought up what he thought was a "conflict of interest" problem regarding himself, however, Council saw no problem.
  4. Councilor Goddard engaged the Council in talking about who's responsibility is it for a business dumping into the sewer system, who should pay user or dumping fees; most councilors felt a more detailed description should be made.
  5. Chairman Hartnett brought up directional signs on U.S. Route 1; there was mention at one time of a "welcome sign" just over the bridge and many businesses were again inquiring if they could be put on a directional sign in the Village area; two major concerns were expressed: 1) consolidating many little signs into one sign, and 2) perhaps a "Welcome to Freeport" sign; the Ordinance Committee will look into these issues.

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Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 9:00 P.M.  
(Councilors Nelson & Bonney) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

The foregoing was recorded by:

*Mary D. Wescott*  
Mary D. Wescott, Council Secretary

Dist: Council, Attorney, Auditor, Clerk, Highway, Library, Police,  
Fire, Codes, Planner, Assessor, Finance