

MEETING #6-78  
Date: March 14, 1978  
Time: 7:30 P.M.  
Place: Council Room

## MINUTES

### TOWN OF FREEPORT MEETING OF THE FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL

Regular

☒ Special

#### Chairman's Call to Order

Moved and Seconded - That the Registrar of Voters report on the returns of the March 6, 1978 Municipal Election. (Councilors Bonney & True) (5 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the report of the Registrar of Voters be accepted. (Councilors Bonney & True) (5 Yes) (0 No)

#### Roll Call of Members

Present      Excused      Absent

Edward Bonney, Nathan Nye Street	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Elizabeth Ruff, Durham Road	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Eric Saunders, Lower Mast Landing	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Swan, 48 Bow Street	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
George True, Flying Point Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vaughndella Curtis, Pine Street	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
William Pushard, Lunt Road	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Moved and Seconded - That the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #5-78 held February 21, 1978 be waived and accept them as printed. (Councilors Curtis & True) (6 Yes) (0 No)

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Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of Council Chairman be accepted. (Councilors True & Curtis) (5 Yes) (0 No)

The name of Edward Bonney was placed in nomination for Council Chairman by Councilor True.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease. (Councilors True & Curtis) (5 Yes) (0 No)

The retiring Council Chairman proclaimed that Edward Bonney is Chairman of the Freeport Town Council.

Let the record show that William Pushard is now in attendance at 7:40 P.M.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of Council Vice-Chairman be accepted. (Councilors Saunders & True) (6 Yes) (0 No)

The names of George True by Councilor Saunders and Vaughndella Curtis by Councilor Swan were placed in nomination for Council Vice-Chairman.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease. (Councilors True & Swan) (6 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #12-78

Be It Ordered - That Vaughndella Curtis be elected Vice-Chairman of the Freeport Town Council.

(Councilors Saunders & Swan) (5 Yes) (0 No)  
(1 Absention, Councilor Curtis)

Moved and Seconded - That the Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance be subject to Public Hearing. (Councilors Curtis & Saunders) (6 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the Public Hearing be closed.  
(Councilors True & Swan) (6 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That Item #13-78 be tabled until April 4, 1978. (Councilors Curtis & Swan) (6 Yes) (0 No)

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ITEM #14-78

Whereas, the Town of Freeport Zoning Ordinance includes provisions which have resulted in a questioning of the economic value of accepted sub-divisions in the Town, and

Whereas, Section 2.13 of the Freeport Town Charter provides for the adoption of Emergency Ordinances to meet emergencies affecting property, now therefore,

The Town of Freeport Hereby Ordains - That the following Amendments be made to the Freeport Zoning Ordinance:

Article II, Section 202(F)(1). A single lot of record which, at the effective date of adoption or amendment of this Ordinance, does not meet the minimum lot size, minimum road frontage, and/or minimum shore frontage of the district in which it is located, may be built upon without a variance provided that such lot is in separate ownership and not contiguous with any other lot in the same ownership and provided further that all other provisions of this Ordinance are met except that the minimum land area per dwelling unit or mobile home space standard requirement shall not apply to the construction or placement of a single dwelling unit or a single mobile home on such a lot of record. ~~XXXX be~~  
~~may~~

Article VI, Section 601(G). (last paragraph) A variance is authorized only for minimum setbacks and maximum building/lot area ratio. ~~lot area/ lot coverage by structures and set~~  
~~backs/~~ A copy of all variances granted by the Board of Appeals to all land areas within 250 feet, horizontal distance, of the normal high water mark of all tidal waters shall be submitted to the State Planning Office.

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ITEM #15-78

Be It Ordered - That the resignation of Eric Saunders be accepted from the Planning Board effective immediately. (Councilors Curtis & True) (6 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #16-78

Be It Ordered - That the resignation of John Swan be accepted from the Planning Board effective immediately. (Councilors Pushard & Curtis) (6 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #17-78

Be It Ordered - That Robert Stevens be appointed, effective immediately, to the Planning Board, to serve until May 1, 1980.

Be It Further Ordered - That Mr. Stevens qualify by swearing an Oath of Office on March 15, 1978, before the Town Clerk. (Councilors Curtis & Swan) (6 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #18-78

Be It Ordered - That the resignation of Mrs. Grace Carter from the School Committee be accepted effective immediately. (Councilors Saunders & Curtis) (6 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #19-78

Be It Ordered - That the Town Manager be authorized to sign and execute a Release Deed to Warren F. and Mary Jane Peacock for property described as Map 26, Lot 37 on the Town of Freeport Property Maps, said Deed to release the Town's interest in the property by virtue of a tax lien for unpaid 1975 taxes. (Councilors Curtis & Swan) (6 Yes) (0 No)



Moved and Seconded - That a second reading of the Resolution be waived. (Councilors Bonney & Pushard) (6 Yes) (0 No)

FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Whereas, Halsey Smith has served as a Town of Freeport Councilor-at-Large since March 1975, and

Whereas, Mr. Smith served as Vice-Chairman of the Freeport Town Council from March 1976 to March 1977 and served as Chairman of the Council from March 1977 to March 14, 1978, and

Whereas, he has faithfully and with dedication performed the duties of these offices, now

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Freeport Town Council hereby publically express its sincere appreciation to Halsey Smith for his devoted service, leadership and faithful attention to the duties of his offices, for the courtesy and consideration shown to his fellow councilors and to his many contributions to the Town of Freeport and its citizens during his tenure as Councilor-at-Large, Vice-Chairman and Chairman of the Town Council, and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution signed by the Town Council be prepared and presented to Mr. Smith. (Councilor True & Curtis) (6 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - that a second reading of the Resolution be waived. (Councilors Pushard & True) (6 Yes) (0 No)

FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Whereas, William Ormsby has served as District One Councilor since March 1975, 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 publically express its appreciation to William Ormsby 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 One Councilor, and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution signed by the Town Council be prepared and presented to Mr. Ormsby. (Councilors True & Pushard) (6 Yes) (0 No)

FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Whereas, the duties of the office of Town Council Chairman has caused Halsey Smith to demonstrate his superior qualities of leadership and the development of strong, personal relationships with fellow councilors, now

Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Freeport Town Council, on behalf of Mr. Halsey Smith, file a petition with the proper jurisdiction to cause the permanent renaming of Mrs. Curtis to Mrs. Carter, and

Be It Further Resolved, that in honor of Mr. Smith, the Town designate the Town Flower to be the "Forget-Me-Not", and

Be It Further Resolved, that a copy of this Resolution signed by the Town Council be prepared and presented to Mr. Smith.  
(Councilors Curtis & Bonney) (6 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 8:28 P.M.  
(Councilors True & Pushard) (6 Yes) (0 No)

The foregoing was recorded by:

*Mary D. Wescott*  
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Council Secretary

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