

MEETING #5-79
MARCH 12, 1979
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 Town Clerk report on the returns of the March 5, 1979 Municipal Election. (Councilors Swan & Ruff)
(6 Yes) (0 No)

Councilor Pushard, is present at 7:34 P.M.

Moved and Seconded - That the Town Clerk's Report be accepted.
(Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

Roll Call of Members

Present Excused Absent

Edward Bonney, Chairman, Nathan Nye Street
Vaughndella Curtis, Vice Chairman, Pine St
Elizabeth Ruff, Durham Road
William Orsmy, Mast Landing
John Swan, 48 Bow Street
Hollis Willett, Lower Flying Point
William Pushard, Lunt Road

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Moved and Seconded - That the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #4-79 held February 20, 1979 be waived and accept them as printed. (Councilors Swan & Curtis) (7 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of Council Chairman be accepted. (Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

On a Motion by Councilor Ruff and Seconded by Councilor Pushard, Mr. Edward Bonney's name was placed in nomination.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease. (Councilors Curtis & Swan) (7 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #20-79 Be It Ordered - That Edward Bonney be elected Chairman of the Freeport Town Council. (Councilors Swan & Curtis) (6 Yes) (0 No) (1 Abstention, Councilor Bonney)

Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of Council Vice-Chairman be accepted. (Councilors Swan & Ormsby) (7 Yes) (0 No)

On a Motion by Councilor Ruff and Seconded by Councilor Swan Mrs. Vaughndella Curtis's name was placed in nomination.

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease. (Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #20-79 Be It Ordered - That Vaughndella Curtis be elected Vice-Chairman of the Freeport Town Council. (Councilors Swan & Ruff) (6 Yes) (0 No) (1 Abstention, Councilor Curtis)

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ITEM #14-79

The Town of Freeport Hereby Ordains - That the Ordinance Providing for the Appropriation and Funding of \$49,000.00 for Purchase of Property on Main Street adjacent to the Municipal Building, introduced on February 6, 1979 and submitted to Public Hearing on February 20, 1979, be adopted.
(Councilors Curtis & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the second reading of the Resolution be waived. (Councilors Pushard & Ormsby) (7 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #17-79

WHEREAS, the School Committee has been planning the addition of a new facility to replace the Middle School, and

WHEREAS, the School Committee has requested authorization to use the Town's property located on Route #1 and the Varney Road for locating said facility, and

WHEREAS, the Town Council intended that the above-described property be used for Educational, Recreational or Municipal Facilities at the time the property was purchased, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED - That the Town Council authorizes the School Committee to submit to the necessary agencies for construction of a new school facility a portion of the Town owned property on Route #1 and the Varney Road, said portion of the property to be approximately 20 acres in area and located abutting the Southeasterly property line between the Varney Road and the Southwesterly property line.

(Councilors Ruff & Curtis) (2 Yes,
Councilors Swan & Curtis) (5 No)

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Moved and Seconded - That the rules be waived to introduce a Resolution not on the printed Agenda. (Councilors Swan & Curtis) (7 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the second reading be waived. (Councilors Swan & Curtis) (7 Yes) (0 No)

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THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED - That the Town Council authorized the School Committee to submit to the necessary agencies the Town's property on Route #1 and the Varney Road as being available for the construction of a new educational facility. (Councilors Ruff & Ormsby) (5 Yes) (2 No, Councilors Swan & Curtis)

Moved and Seconded - That the rules be waived to allow the introduction of several Resolutions not on the printed Agenda. (Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

WHEREAS, GEORGE TRUE has served as District Two Councilor since March 8, 1976, 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 GEORGE TRUE for his faithful attention to the duties of his office, for the courtesy shown to his fellow Councilors, and for his devoted service on behalf of the Town of Freeport and its citizens during his tenure as District Two Councilor. (Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

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WHEREAS, ERIC SAUNDERS has served as Councilor-at-Large since March 7, 1978, 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 ERIC SAUNDERS 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 Councilor-at-Large.

(Councilors Ruff & Swan) (7 Yes) (0 No)

WHEREAS, EDWARD M. BONNEY, SR. has served as Chairman of the Freeport Town Council from March 14, 1978 to March 12, 1979, 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 sincere appreciation to EDWARD M. BONNEY, SR. 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 Chairman of the Freeport Town Council.

(Councilors Curtis & Swan) (6 Yes) (1 Abstention, Councilor Bonney) (0 No)

WHEREAS, the duties of the office of Town Council Chairman has allowed EDWARD M. BONNEY, SR. to demonstrate his superior qualities of leadership with the special ability of recognizing and articulating a desired course of action, and

WHEREAS, these qualities have earned MR. BONNEY the nickname of "ROSY", now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED - That MR. EDWARD M. BONNEY, SR. receive a "Rose" from the Town Council in recognition of the above-described qualities and special abilities.

(Councilors Curtis & Ruff) (6 Yes) (1 Abstention, Councilor Bonney) (0 No)

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Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 9:24 P.M.
(Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Yes) (0 No)

The foregoing was recorded by:

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