

COUNCIL MEETING #6-80
MARCH 18, 1980
Time: 7:30 P.M.
Place: Council Room

M I N U T E S

TOWN OF FREEPORT
MEETING OF THE FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL

☒ Regular
☐ Special

Chairman's Call to Order

Present Excused Absent

Vaughndella Curtis, Chairman, Pine St
Elizabeth Ruff, Durham Road
Leo Valliere, 10 Park Street
William Lunt, Webster Road
John Swan, 48 Bow Street
Hollis Willett, Lower Flying Point
Edward Hindley, Wardtown Road

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Moved and Seconded - That the reading of the Minutes of Meeting
#5-80 held March 10, 1980 be waived and accept them as printed.
(Councilors Lunt & Valliere) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Moved and Seconded - That nominations for the position of Council Vice Chairman be accepted. (Councilors Valliere & Ruff) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That nominations cease. (Councilors Lunt & Ruff) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the voting be done by casting ballots. (Councilors Lunt & Hindley) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #36-80 Be It Ordered - That John Swan be elected Vice Chairman of the Freeport Town Council. (Councilors Willett & Ruff) (4 Ayes) (2 Nays, Councilors Willett & Hindley) (1 Abstain, Councilor Swan)

Chairman Curtis named the Liaison appointments to the various Boards and Departments as follows:

Elizabeth Ruff

School Committee, School Budget Review, Chairman of the Appointments Committee of the Council, Municipal Buildings Study Committee, and Gould Trust Fund Application Reviews.

Leo Valliere

Fire Department, Planning Board, Board of Appeals, and Municipal Buildings Repairs Committee.

William Lunt

Community Education Committee, Library, Winslow Park, Municipal Buildings Repairs Committee, and Council Parliamentarian.

John Swan

Police Department, Townscape Committee, COG Executive Committee, and Chairman of the Municipal Buildings Study Committee.

Hollis Willett

Public Works Department, Conservation Commission, Shellfish Conservation Commission, Substance Abuse Advisory Committee, and Chairman of the Municipal Buildings Repairs Committee.

Edward Hindley

Coastal Waters Commission, Solid Waste Study Committee, Municipal Buildings Study Committee, and the Appointments Committee.

Vaughndella Curtis

Assessing, Finance, Records, Welfare, and Gould Trust Fund Application Reviews.

Town Manager Benway gave a progress report toward the hiring of the Chief Police which is intermingled with his evaluation of the steps taken in order to bring the Police Department's financial account back to date:

1. No hiring of a Chief at the present time.
2. Payroll no larger than \$2,000 net.
3. Operations not to exceed expenditures of \$12,000.
4. A possible layoff.

Opinions are requested from the Council for solutions to the Department's problems.

Council Chairman Curtis has requested that each Councilor bring their list of "goals and priorities" for next week's meeting.

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Moved and Seconded - That the Council move to Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter with the Town Manager. (Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council reconvene. (Councilors Willett & Swan) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 9:25 P.M. (Councilors Lunt & Willett) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

The foregoing was recorded by:

Mary D. Wescott
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Council Secretary

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