

COUNCIL MEETING #8-80
APRIL 15, 1980
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

Present Excused Absent

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

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Moved and Seconded - That the reading of the Minutes of Meeting
#7-80 held April 1, 1980 be waived and accept them as printed.
(Councilors Lunt & Ruff) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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ITEM #44-80

Be It Ordered - That a Proposed Amendment to the Shellfish Gathering Ordinance be herein introduced and submitted to Public Hearing on May 6, 1980 at 7:30 P.M. in the Council Room of the Municipal Building.

Be It Further Ordered - That 30 copies of the Proposed Amendment be printed and distributed equally between the B.H. Bartol Library and the Municipal Building for pick-up by citizens.
(Councilors Willett & Swan) (7 Ayes)(0 Nays)

ITEM #45-80

Be It Ordered - That the Town Manager be authorized to expend up to Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) prior to June 1, 1980 from the Miscellaneous and Contingency Account to provide for a part-time foot patrol in the downtown area of Freeport.
(Councilors Swan & Ruff) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #46-80

WHEREAS, the resignation of Bruce Lewis from the Board of Trustees of the Freeport Sewer District has created a vacancy on said Board, now

WHEREAS, the enabling legislation creating the Freeport Sewer District provides for the filling of such a vacancy by the Town Council, now

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED - That Frank Nail be appointed, effective immediately, to the Board of Trustees of the Freeport Sewer District to serve until March 9, 1981.

BE IT FURTHER ORDERED - That Mr. Nail qualify by swearing an Oath of Office before the Freeport Town Clerk before May 1, 1980.
(Councilors Ruff & Willett) (7 Ayes)(0 Nays)

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ITEM #47-80

Be It Ordered - That Edward M. Bonney be appointed, effective immediately, to the Greater Portland Council of Governments General Assembly to serve for one year.

Be It Further Ordered - That the above named qualify by swearing an Oath of Office before the Freeport Town Clerk before May 1, 1980.
(Councilors Valliere & Swan) (7 Ayes)(0 Nays)

ITEM #48-80

Be It Ordered - That Robert Palmer be appointed, effective immediately, to the Greater Portland Council of Governments Planning Committee to serve for one year.

Be It Further Ordered - That the above named qualify by swearing an Oath of Office before the Freeport Town Clerk before May 1, 1980.
(Councilors Lunt & Ruff) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That we waive the second reading. (Councilors Swan & Willett) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #49-80

Be It Ordered - That the Town of Freeport accept the following sums to be safely invested and forever held in trust, the income therefrom to be used for the Perpetual Care of the following cemetery plots:

Burr Cemetery

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| William & Alice Griffin, Lot #104 | \$300.00 |
| Ella & Marion Bean Lot | 300.00 |
| James Puia, Lot #140A | 150.00 |
| Howard Chase, 1/2 Lot #70A | 200.00 |
| Frank Small, 1/2 Lot #105 | 100.00 |
| Patricia Shaw for Mary Blackstone Lot | 100.00 |
| Verne Townsend for George White Lot #55 | 200.00 |

(Councilors Hindley & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Moved and Seconded - That we table the Order. (Item #50-80)
(Councilors Lunt & Hindley) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Town Manager Benway stated that the following meetings are being set up:

Police Dept. regarding Police Contract
Contract with Dale Caruthers Co. (should be on the
May 6 Agenda)
Maine Housing Authority to discuss the 4 proposals
presented to them (this will be on the April 29
Agenda).

Council Chairman Curtis requested the Liaison reports:

Councilor Willett: Shellfish Conservation Committee - has solved some of their problems. Meeting is scheduled on Friday, April 18, regarding the Harpswell reciprocal agreement.
Substance Abuse Committee - listened to the input by the people on the Committee.

Councilor Ruff: School Budget - the School Committee has gone completely through the budget. They are considering Community Council's recommendations and will review budget for additions or rejections.
School Building Committee - have been meeting every 2 weeks. Met with the Sewer District last week regarding installing a gravity flow sewer from Varney Rd to Concord Rd interceptor. Also, Rick Libby and Hod Willett met with some members of the Dept. of Transportation and looked at the plans for the 95 turn off. The Committee meets again the 30th.

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- Councilor Lunt: Trustees of the B.H. Bartol Library - attended a meeting last Thursday with them. The budget was discussed and will be finalized this coming Thursday.
Community Education - a part time secretary has been hired for the Director. The by-laws have been prepared.
- Councilor Swan: Building Study Committee - has not met yet.
C.O.G. - is considering the purchase of a computer. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for April 24 and all Councilors are invited to attend.
- Councilor Valliere: Fire Dept. - attended the firemens meeting and they discussed their budget. All is in line - no heavy equipment to buy.
Planning Board - attended several meetings. (David Thompson gave a brief up-dated report on what the Planning Board was attempting to do per Councilor Valliere's request)
- Councilor Hindley: Coastal Waters Commission - no meeting set up yet.
Solid Waste Study Committee - no meetings set.
Municipal Buildings Study Committee - no meeting set up.
- Chairman Curtis: Records Dept. - is updated.
Finance Dept. - finances are fine.
Assessing - is progressing on schedule.
Welfare Dept. - quite a lot of cases but should be easing with the coming of summer.

Frank Small stressed that there is poor maintenance in the downtown area and wished to see this taken care of as much money has been put into the sidewalks and there is much litter in the square.

Town Manager Penway stressed that much of the responsibility must fall upon the merchants to keep areas debris free. Also, the Townscape Committee has scheduled a "clean up week" in May which will take care of some of the litter.

Ken Carew was concerned about the cans of litter in the downtown area and was assured by the Town Manager that the Highway Crew would be handling some of the problem.

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Councilor Willett brought up the fact that 2 flags were stolen from the flagpole. Many solutions are being considered to avoid this happening again.

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 8:54 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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