

COUNCIL MEETING #16-81
SEPTEMBER 1, 1981
7:30 P.M. 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

John Swan, Chairman, 48 Bow Street
Hollis Willett, Vice Chairman, Lower Flying Pt
Leo Valliere, 10 Park Street
William Lunt, Webster Road
David Coffin, Bartol Island Road
Vaughndella Curtis, Pine Street
Edward Hindley, Wardtown Road

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Chairman Swan called for a few minutes of silence in memory of Mr. Halsey Smith, a former Chairman and Councilor.

Moved and Seconded - That the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #15-81 held August 4, 1981 be waived and accept it as printed.
(Councilors Lunt & Coffin) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn and the Licensing Board convene. (Councilors Willett & Curtis) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Roll Call of Members

Present Excused Absent

John Swan, Chairman, 48 Bow Street
Hollis Willett, Vice Chairman, Lower Flying Pt
Leo Valliere, 10 Park Street
William Lunt, Webster Road
David Coffin, Bartol Island Road
Vaughndella Curtis, Pine Street
Edward Hindley, Wardtown Road
Bruce Benway, Treasurer, Harraseeket Park
Phyllis Roy, Town Clerk, Park Street

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Moved and Seconded - That the following Application for a Victualer's License be subject to public hearing:

Robert W. Pottle, portable fast food
stand take out, Route 1.
(Members Lunt & Willett)
(8 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the public hearing be closed.
(Members Willett & Curtis) (8 Yes) (0 No)

ITEM #83-81

Be It Ordered - That the above named
Application for a Victualer's License
be approved.
(Members Willett & Lunt)
(8 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the Licensing Board adjourn and the Council reconvene. (Members Willett & Curtis) (8 Yes) (0 No)

Moved and Seconded - That the following Application for a Malt and Vinous Lincense be subject to public hearing:

Larry H. Greenlaw, d/b/a The Painter's
Parlor, Lower Main Street.
(Councilors Curtis & Lunt)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the public hearing be closed.
(Councilors Willett & Lunt) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #84-81

Be It Ordered - That the above named
Application for a Malt and Vinous
License be approved.
(Councilors Willett & Coffin)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the Proposed Street Acceptance and Standards Ordinance of the Town of Freeport, Maine, be subject to public hearing.
(Councilors Hindley & Curtis) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the public hearing be closed.
(Councilors Lunt & Curtis) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That ITEM #85-81 be tabled until September 15, 1981. (Councilors Lunt & Coffin) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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

ITEM #86-81

Be It Ordered - That the following Ordinance be submitted to the voters of the Town of Freeport at the general election on November 3, 1981:

The Town of Freeport Hereby Ordains - That, under and pursuant to the provisions of 20 M.R.S.A. Sub-paragraph 3472, 30 M.R.S.A. Sub-paragraph 5152 and the Charter of the Town of Freeport, a sum not to exceed \$1,418,000 is hereby appropriated to meet the estimated State's share (\$1,347,000) and initial local share (\$70,900) of the cost of a school construction, equipping and furnishing of an addition to the Morse Street Elementary School and to fund said appropriation the Treasurer and Chairman of the Town Council are authorized to issue general obligation securities of the Town of Freeport in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$1,418,000 and the discretion to fix the dates, maturities, denominations, interest rates, places of payment, forms and other details of said securities and to provide for the sale thereof, including execution and delivery thereof against payment therefore, is hereby delegated to the Treasurer and Chairman of the Town Council.

Be It Further Ordered - That a public hearing on the Proposed Ordinance be scheduled by the Chairman of the Town Council.

Be It Further Ordered - That 100 copies of the Proposed Ordinance be printed and distributed between the B.H. Bartol Library and the Office of the Town Clerk for pick-up by its citizens.
(Councilors Willett & Coffin)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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

ITEM #87-81

Be It Ordered - That the Proposed Amendment to the Freeport Zoning Ordinance to Provide Residential Construction as Special Exception in the Industrial District I Zone be herein introduced and submitted to public hearing on September 15, 1981 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 Freeport Town Clerk's Office for inspection by citizens during regular business hours.
(Councilors Hindley & Lunt)
(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That we waive the second reading of this item.
(Councilors Lunt & Coffin) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

ITEM #88-81

Be It Ordered - That the following individuals receive the stated assistance from the Dr. Gould Trust Fund:

Catherine Curit	\$156.40
Earle Curit	40.75
Gertrude Allen	60.00
Donald Sloat	250.00
Merton Moody	205.60
Robert Bazinet	250.00
Edward Forbus	142.00
Lillian Curit	129.13
Ida Hanscome	139.20
Mary Baker	250.00
Dorothy Marston	29.68
Christine Brown	6.50
Rose Ketchem	250.00
Eugena Hibbard	250.00
Timothy Babbit	250.00
Thomas Loughton	250.00

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

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

ITEM #89-81

Be It Ordered - That Frank Parker and Francis Doherty be reappointed, effective immediately, to the Board of Assessment Review to serve until August 1, 1984.

Be It Further Ordered - That the above named individuals swear an oath of office before the Town Clerk by September 30, 1981.
(Councilors Hindley & Lunt) (7 Ayes)(0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - To waive the second reading.
(Councilors Lunt & Willett) (7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

Moved and Seconded - That the following language be deleted from the Proposed Fiscal Analysis Task Force Resolution:

3. Analyze current services to determine potentials for greater efficiencies.
4. Complete such other services necessary to complete the charge to this Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That the Fiscal Analysis Task Force be authorized to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Town Council, any sub-committees composed of additional individuals as the Task Force may deem desirable toward the completion of its responsibilities.
(Councilors Lunt & Valliere)
(5 Ayes) (2 Nays, Councilors Coffin & Swan)

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

WHEREAS, The Municipal Budget of the Town of Freeport is showing greater reliance on Real and Personal Property Taxes due to decreasing revenues from Inventory Tax Stipends and Educational Subsidies and Tuitions, and

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WHEREAS, Few guidelines exist for determining the ability of property taxpayers to bear a greater portion of the services funded by the Municipal Budget, now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED - That a Study Committee of nine (9) members be created to review the Town of Freeport's corporate financial conditions and make recommendations to aid future Town Councils and School Committees in balancing service needs to the costs of such services.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That said Committee to be described as the Town of Freeport Fiscal Analysis Task Force be charged with:

1. Producing five-year projections of revenues and alternative expenditure plans, including capital projects, with resultant tax structures.
2. Developing recommendations with regard to local or state programs or legislation which could improve the fiscal capabilities of the Town including tax base growth programs and State or Federal Revenue Programs.
3. Analyze current services to determine potentials for greater efficiencies.
4. Complete such other services necessary to complete the charge to this Committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That the Fiscal Analysis Task Force be authorized to appoint, subject to the confirmation of the Town Council, any sub-committees composed of additional individuals as the Task Force may deem desirable toward the completion of its responsibilities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED - That the Chairman of the Fiscal Analysis Task Force report to the Town Council at least once per month and that the Task Force prepare a final report by February 1, 1982.

(Councilors Coffin & Hindley)

(7 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Dr. Iverson presented a grim picture of the bad situation on the Staples Point Road; he cited there are at least 12 mishaps during the year especially winter months; approximately 4 wreckers are needed every winter to pull cars out. He wants the road straightened out; he is not willing to put up abutments. He requests a reply from the Council. Chairman Swan stated that this matter will be discussed at the Council workshop next Tuesday, September 8, 1981. Mr. Swan will request a legal opinion from the Town Attorney regarding litigation against the Town.

Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 9:12 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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