

M I N U T E S  
FREEPORT TOWN COUNCIL MEETING #29-89  
FREEPORT TOWN HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
DECEMBER 5, 1989                      7:30 P.M.

X Regular

       Special

Chairman's Call to Order	Present	Absent	Excused
Robert Stevens, Chairman, Porters Landing	X		
William Grady, Vice-Chairman, Elm Street Extension	X		
Kirk Goddard, Mast Landing	X		
John Paterson, Flying Point		X	X
Edward Campbell, Gay Drive	X		
Edward Bradley, Flying Point	X		
Vaughndella Curtis, Pine Street	X		

Moved and Seconded - To correct the Minutes from Meeting #28-89 held November 28, 1989, by changing the vote for Item #204-89 - Article VI. Section A.2. 2nd Paragraph - to show the Nay vote for Councilors Goddard & Stevens not Councilors Goddard & Grady.\*

Moved and Seconded - To waive the reading of the Minutes of Meeting #28-89 held November 28, 1989, and accept the Minutes as printed, as amended.\*

Bill Eaton, Engineer from T.Y. Lin, presented a plaque to the Traffic and Parking Committee from the Consulting Engineers of Maine honoring Freeport's Committee for their unique common-sense solutions to Freeport's downtown area. Town Manager Olmstead accepted the award on behalf of the Traffic and Parking Committee.

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ITEM #210-89      Be It Ordered - That a Public Hearing be scheduled for December 19, 1989 at 7:30 P.M. in the Town Hall Council Chambers to discuss proposed amendments to the General Assistance Ordinance.

Be It Further Ordered - That 30 copies be made and distributed equally between the Town Clerk's Office and the B.H. Bartol Library for inspection by citizens.

(Councilors Bradley & Curtis)      (5 Ayes)      (0 Nays)

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ITEM #211-89      Be It Ordered - That Louis E. Levesque be appointed, effective immediately, to serve as the Sealer of Weights and Measures for the Town of Freeport.

(Councilors Campbell & Curtis)      (5 Ayes)      (0 Nays)

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Other Business:

1. Discussion on Committee Appointments:

Appointments Committee -

Edward Bradley, Chairman  
Edward Campbell  
Vaughndella Curtis

Ordinance Committee -

John Paterson, Chairman  
William Grady  
Edward Bradley

Municipal Facilities Committee -

Kirk Goddard, Chairman  
John Paterson  
Edward Campbell  
Edward Bonney

Special Projects Committee -

Vaughndella Curtis, Chairman  
William Grady  
Kirk Goddard

Greater Portland Council of Governments' Representative -

Kirk Goddard

For the record, Councilor Grady is in attendance at 8:10 P.M.

2. Council Goals and Objectives:

Each councilor went through their individual goals - After much comparing, following are the Council goals for 1990:

1. Better relationship with School Committee
2. Property Tax Relief
3. Municipal Facilities
4. Impact Fees
5. Local Ordinances to Improve Enforcement
6. Town Personnel Problems
7. Low Income Housing
8. Recycling
9. Budget Committee
10. Waterfront Access
11. Public Awareness
12. Employee Personnel Issues

Edward Campbell and Vaughndella Curtis both volunteered to be on the Housing Task Force, chaired by Tom Kelley.

Mr. Olmstead brought up the subject of the two "Letters of Credit" from Pritham Singh - he had been told the letters would be here two months ago - the present "Letter of Credit" expires December 28, 1989 - a phone call was placed to the attorney- he stated the "Letter of Credit" was on its way - Council would like Mr. Olmstead to pursue this.

Councilors were informed that next week's workshop would have officials from the State explaining the State's mandate on recycling. Also, McDonald's had requested to speak at the workshop regarding their recycling program and wishing to be exempt from the Styrofoam Ordinance. Councilors informed the Manager that this workshop was not the forum for McDonald's presentation.

Re: Impact Fees - Mr. Olmstead explained much data is needed to support impact fees - a suggestion was made to get outside help in obtaining the information - The Town has to identify the current deficit in order to justify the impact fees - On February 13, a workshop will be held with the Planning Board to discuss this item.

Public Space - Public Access was discussed - a suggestion was made to get local groups to help inventory public spaces for repairs, such as Woman's Club, Boy Scouts, etc. It was decided the Special Projects Committee will pick this up.

Edward Campbell will contact Coastal Waters Commission to discuss waterfront access - a workshop will be held on January 9.

Vaughndella Curtis will work with the Winslow Park Commission.

3. Town Manager Olmstead was expecting Cindy Taylor of Housing Resources, Inc. and had not heard why she was late or would she even be at the meeting - he explained that Council would be asked to accept two roads - one that had been completed to Town specs off the Pleasant Hill Road - one going to be built on the Desert Road in the Industrial Park.
4. Chairman Stevens read a letter from Chris Pinkham and Elyse End from the School Committee regarding maintenance and upkeep of school playing fields; they are proposing a joint committee of 2 School Committee Members and 2 Town Councilors to assess and explore options for maintenance and recommend a plan of action for care of recreational field space. Councilors on the proposed committee will be Ed Bradley, Kirk Goddard and Vaughndella Curtis.
5. Chairman Stevens read a letter from Robert Lyman, Superintendent of Schools, explaining that because the High School had used energy saving light fixtures, Central Maine Power had rewarded them with a check in the amount of \$3,965.00; Mr. Lyman was requesting that this money be used in the High School Gym for some proposed items, such as, 1) complete payment of any outstanding invoices, 2) scoring table and chairs for players, 3) additional sign, 4) ballard for gas tanks, 5) clock guards, 6) plexiglas base for the scoreboard, 7) mounting of a plaque, 9) snack bar, etc.

Moved and Seconded - That the School Committee spend \$3,965.00 to be used for the High School Gym Projects according to the above proposed list.

(Councilors Curtis & Bradley) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

6. Hedgehog Mountain - Chairman Stevens stated that this project should move along - a meeting has been set for the 13th of December at 4:30 with Wally Soule, his representative, John Nelson and Joe Wishcamper - Dale has spoken to Bob Ormsby about doing an appraisal for \$1,200 - Dale has spoken to John Swan about doing a survey.
7. Chairman Stevens mentioned a letter from Bernstein's Office checking on Winslow Park charging residents versus non residents.
8. Town Manager Olmstead talked about a new proposal from Brickyard Cove Associates to settle the law suit with the Town; Jacki Cohen, Town Planner, was asked to compare this new proposal with what the Town had requested - the new proposal is quite different - one of the issues dealing with attorney fees shows that the Town has expended \$11,570 for legal fees and \$2,032 for consultant fees - the Association has offered \$4,000 for payment of legal fees; Council will not accept and the item goes back to the Town's Attorney.
9. Councilor Grady had an interesting time riding one of the Town snow plows.

10. Councilor Campbell and Councilor Bradley both read letters addressed to the Freeport Police Chief and Freeport Rescue Departments from Tom Saliba and his family praising the efficiency, professionalism, compassion and caring ways in which these two departments responded to two separate rescue calls- Police Officers John Perrino and Thomas Williams were highly praised for their exceptional handling of the situation and Ruth Alexander's Department were commended for their sensitive handling of the situation. As a result of what happened, the Saliba Family want to donate \$1,000.00 to the Freeport Rescue.

Moved and Seconded - That the Town accept \$1,000.00 from the Thomas Saliba Family to be used by the Freeport Rescue as they see fit

(Councilors Campbell & Grady) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

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Moved and Seconded - That the Council adjourn at 9:50 P.M.

(Councilors Grady & Bradley) (6 Ayes) (0 Nays)

The foregoing was recorded by:

*Mary D. Wescott*  
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Council Secretary

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