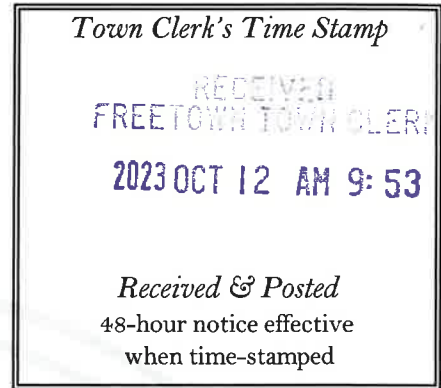


# MEETING NOTICE

## TOWN OF FREETOWN



PUBLIC BODY: **Board of Selectmen**  
MEETING PLACE: **Police Station Community Room**  
ADDRESS: **15 Memorial Drive, East Freetown, MA 02717**  
MEETING DATE: **Monday, October 16, 2023**  
MEETING TIME: **5:00pm**

SIGNED: *L. Anne Souza* Executive Assistant DATE: 10/12/2023

- THIS IS AN AMENDED MEETING NOTICE
- THIS MEETING HAS BEEN CANCELLED. SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_  
RECEIVED BY OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_
- THIS MEETING HAS BEEN POSTPONED TO: \_\_\_\_\_ SIGNED: \_\_\_\_\_  
RECEIVED BY OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK: \_\_\_\_\_

Notice of every meeting of a local public body must be filed and time-stamped with the Town Clerk's Office *at least 48 hours* prior to such meeting (excluding Saturdays Sundays and legal holidays) and posted thereafter in accordance with the provisions of the Open Meeting Law, MGL 30A §§18-25 (Ch.28-2009). Such notice shall contain a listing of topics the Chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting.

### AGENDA / LIST OF TOPICS

#### Call to Order

#### Executive Session

Discussion/possible action on the following topics:

1. M.G.L. c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements – Open Meeting Law – to review for consideration of release the executive session meeting minutes for the following executive session meetings: Dates listed in attachment A.
2. M.G.L. c.30A, Sec. 21(a)(3) – to discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining with **the Freetown Police Association** because an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining position of the public body and the chair so declares
3. M.G.L. c 30A, Sec. 21 (a)(5) to investigate charges of criminal misconduct or to consider the filing of criminal complaints
4. M.G.L. c. 30A, sec. 21(a)(6) – to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real estate, if the chair declares that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body.

#### Board of Selectmen

Discussion/possible action on the following topics:

5. Discussion and vote whether to release, partially release or not release Executive Session Minutes listed in Attachment A as presented to the Board in Executive Session.
6. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the open session minutes from 9/5/23, 9/14/23 & 9/18/23

7. Discussion, and vote on whether to have Town Counsel present at Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) negotiations for new CBA's effective 7/1/23-6/30/26
8. Discussion, and vote which Selectmen will cover each of the Collective Bargaining Units upcoming negotiations for new CBA's effective 7/1/23-6/30/26
  - a. Freetown Employees' Association (Clerical)
  - b. Freetown Full-Time Firefighters Association
  - c. Freetown Highway Department
  - d. Public Safety Dispatchers
9. Discussion, and vote on town offices/services/hours for day after Thanksgiving and observation of the Christmas and New Year's holidays.
10. Discussion, and vote whether to close the Town Hall, Highway, Council on Aging, Libraries and Transfer Station at 12:30pm on 12/14/23 for staff attending holiday party
11. Discussion, and vote whether to approve the following snow plow contracts for winter 2023-2024
  - a. Ronnie Frates
  - b. Nate's Oil Burner Service Inc.
  - c. Wayne Croteau
  - d. SM Automotive, LLC
  - e. Shane Tavares
12. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the requested fee increases from the Building Commissioner as noted in Attachment B
13. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the request to restrict pedestrians from crossing the Chace Road bridge over Route 140 during construction
14. Discussion, and vote on whether to use funds from donation account to purchase Town Polos
15. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the addendum #2 between The Town of Freetown and Architectural Consulting Group for OPM for Fire Station #3 addition/renovation.
16. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve utilizing \$5,000.00 of Formula One Grant monies to provide programming at the Council on Aging
17. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the Peddlers License requested from SunRun
18. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve opening of beach gate one day a week year-round for seniors
19. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the lease for new 2022 Dodge Ram 1500 SSV Crew Cab Truck for police department
20. Discussion on ADA Grant status, and use of town funds for engineering
21. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the Town Administrator to negotiate Collective Bargaining Agreements if assigned Selectmen not able to attend a meeting
22. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the new rates for health insurance for retirees effective 1/1/24
23. Discussion, and vote whether to vacate the tax lien judgement upon receipt of full payment of the real estate tax liability on 53-55 Narrows Road, Assonet

### **Personnel Board**

Discussion/possible action on the following topics:

24. Acknowledge the resignation of Michael McCue from COA/Library Community Building Committee effective 9/19/23
25. Discussion on Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School Committee representative from Freetown
26. Rescind the appointment of Michael DaSilva as laborer from the 9/18/23 meeting
27. Discussion, and vote whether to appoint the following:

- a. Carlos A. Lopes to the School Capital Committee effective 10/16/23-6/30/24
- b. Keith Sylvia as Laborer – Highway Department effective 10/18/23-6/30/24
- c. David A. Donahue as Signal Operator Full-Time Probationary effective 10/2/23-6/30/24
- d. Charles L. Lapre, Joseph Zinni or another candidate to the Bristol-Plymouth Regional Technical School Committee Freetown Representative effective 10/17/23-6/30/24
- e. Samantha Gomes, Krista Mullen and Karen Rezendes to the Cultural Council effective 10/16/23-10/16/26
- f. Carlton E. Abbott, Jr. as Health Insurance Advisory Committee – Retiree Representative effective 10/16/23-6/30/24

28. Discussion, and vote on whether to approve the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between the Town of Freetown and Public Employees Union, Local 272, LIUNA (Clerical Union)

#### **Board of Parks Commission**

Discussion/possible action on the following topics:

- No topics for discussion

#### **Town Administrator's Report**

Discussion/possible action on the following topics:

29. Open space and recreation plan has been approved by the State
30. Discussion on outstanding tax bills
31. Update on the Fire Station renovation/addition project

#### **Old Business:**

Potential discussion on pending items – action will not be taken at this meeting:

#### **Public Input**

**Attachment A**

List of Executive Session Minutes the Board of Selectmen will consider partial/full release at their meeting on 10/16/2023

1/3/2022

1/18/2022

2/7/2022

3/7/2022

3/24/2022

5/5/2022

5/31/2022

8/22/2022

10/24/2022

11/21/2022

2/6/2023

3/8/2023

3/10/2023

3/20/2023

4/2/2023

4/6/2023

4/24/2023

5/3/2023

5/15/2023

6/5/2023

## ATTACHMENT B

The Building Commissioner has requested the following increases for fees:

- Building Residential
  - o Roof/Siding/Windows/Doors, current fee \$50.00, suggested fee \$75.00
  - o Wood/Pellet Stove, current fee \$50.00, suggested fee \$100.00
- Building Commercial
  - o Demolition, current fee \$100, suggested fee \$250.00
- Gas Residential
  - o New Dwellings repairs, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
  - o Replacement appliance, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
  - o Inspection, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
- Plumbing Residential
  - o Burner, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
  - o Replacement Appliance current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
  - o Back Flow, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
  - o Inspection, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$50.00
- Gas – Commercial
  - o Repairs, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Replacement Appliance current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Hot water tanks, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Inspection, current fee \$50.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Re-inspection, current fee \$50.00, suggested fee \$65.00
- Plumbing Commercial
  - o Burner, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Replacement appliance, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Back Flow, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Inspection, current fee \$35.00, suggested fee \$65.00
  - o Re-Inspection, current fee \$50.00, suggested fee \$65.00
- Electric
  - o Additions/large remodel garage, current fee \$80.00, suggested fee \$120.00
  - o Temp Service, current fee \$25.00, suggested fee \$60.00
  - o Underground Service, current fee \$75.00, suggested fee \$120.00
  - o Pools Above Ground, current fee \$75.00, suggested fee \$120.00
  - o Pools Under Ground, current fee \$75.00, suggested fee \$180.00
- Residential Solar
  - o Ground <25KW, current fee \$75.00, suggested fee \$240.00, roof <25 KW\$180.00, battery storage \$20.00
- Residential Generator
  - o Current fee \$75.00, suggested fee \$100.00

All other fees will remain the same