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Notice is hereby given that the Survey, Map, Description of Boundaries and Census of the Territory proposed and intended to be embraced within the Village of Freeport, County of Queens and State of New York, have benefit at the office of H.P. Libby, in Freeport for examination.

CARMAN CORNELIUS,
WILLIAM G. MILLER,
SAMUEL R. SMITH,
PLATT CONKLIN,
HIRAM R. SMITH,
CHARLES L. WALLACE,
H.P. LIBBY

Dated, Freeport, Sept. 12, 1892.
(Residence of Carman Cornelius)

Freeport, June 22, 1892

At a meeting held at the residence of Carman Cornelius at 8 P.M. this day the following persons were present:

Carman Cornelius
Samuel R. Smith
H.P. Libby

Wm. G. Miller
Platt Conklin
Hiram R. Smith

all of whom had been appointed at a citizens meeting held [blank space no date provided] as a committee to look into and report upon what territory it was desirable to incorporate as a Village.

Mr. C.L. Wallace was also present as a reporter and citizen, but was requested by vote to all the above named gentlemen to act with them as a member of their Committee - he consented so to act.

Carman Cornelius was elected Chairman and
H.P. Libby, Secretary of the said Incorporation Committee.

A motion was then made and unanimously carried “That Saml. R. Smith be a Com. of one to procure for the use of this Com. a copy of the laws regarding Village Incorporation and also was requested to procure an abstract of the proceedings incident to the organization of Far Rockaway Village.

By a unanimous vote in favor of the Motion to Appoint Carman Cornelius & Platt Conklin a team to recover a map made some years ago defining the then proposed incorporation limits – they were declared thus chosen and requested to have said map at the next meeting.

Under another motive Saml. R. Smith and William G. Miller were unanimously chosen a Com. to confer with the people of Coes Neck to ascertain their views as to having that section included in the limits of incorporation.

A motion to adjourn to the evening of July 1st, 1892 was unanimously carried.

H.P. Libby, Secretary
Incorporation Com. held meeting this evening at the residence of Carman Cornelius – present C. Cornelius, W.G. Miller, S.R. Smith, C.L. Wallace, Platt Conklin and H.P. Libby.

Carman Cornelius as Chairman presided and H.P. Libby recorded.

Reports of Sub Committees being called for Mr. Miller reported that quite a favorable sentiment toward incorporation was found in the Coes Neck section and there were about 42 Voters there.

Mr. S.R. Smith reported that he had not yet procured a copy but had read the law regarding the Incorporation of Villages and that he found among other things it was necessary to show that there were 300 inhabitants to the square mile in district to be incorporated and also that a survey and map of said
district must be made and be open to public inspection for 5 weeks before a vote was taken on the question.

The above reports were accepted and Mr. S.R. Smith made a motion “that a Com. of two be appointed by the Chair to make a contract with some surveyor to survey and map the District proposed to be incorporated.” This motion was seconded by Mr. Miller. Motion carried. The Chairman appointed C.L. Wallace & H.P. Libby as such Com.

A motion was then made that we adjourn subject to the call of the survey & map Com. carried. Mtg. adjourned.

H.P. Libby, Secretary
Incorporation Com. met at H.P. Libby’s Office this evening in accordance with a call from the Survey & Map Com. There were present William G. Wallace, Saml. R. Smith, H.P. Libby and Hiram R. Smith.

Mr. Miller was chosen Chairman and H.P. Libby Secy. H.P. Libby reported that surveyor Alvin G. Smith had made a survey of the district included between the school dist’s east and west lines and between a line on the north 200 feet north of and parallel with Seaman Ave. and on the south from Milburn Creek easterly along the head of the meadows to Freeport Creek. The map [illegible] from said survey was exhibited and a bill from A.G. Smith for his services for the survey of $40.00 presented. A motion was made to receive the
report and approve A.G. Smith’s bill was made, seconded and unanimously carried and by vote the said Survey & Map Com. was instructed to have ½ doz. blue Print copies of said map made and also to procure the said surveyor’s affidavit as to the said map being correct.

S.R. Smith reported that he had procured a copy of the Incorporation Laws up to 1888 by “More” and that the expense of same was $2.50.

Motion made that Mr. Smith’s rept. be accepted and bill for the book procured, approved, seconded and carried.

Motion made, seconded & carried that the Secty. procure a suitable book in which to keep the minutes of the meetings.

Motion made seconded & carried that a Com. of two with power to be appointed by the Chair to obtain a census of the inhabitants
Aug 20/(continued)
in the District covered by the map of the proposed Incpn Limits.
The Chair appointed S.R. Smith & H.P. Libby as such Com.

Motion to adjourn subject to the call of the Census Com.
carried.

H.P. Libby, Secretary
Freeport, Sept. 3rd, 1892

A meeting of the Incorporation Com. was held at 8 P.M. Sept. 3rd with the following members present [illegible] Carman Cornelius, W.G. Miller, C.L. Wallace, Platt Conklin, Saml. R. Smith and H.P. Libby.

Minutes of the mtg. of Aug 20th read and approved.

The Census and Affidavit Committee reported that Surveyor A.G. Smith had prepared and affixed to the map made by him, a verbal description of the territory covered by the said map and his sworn statement as to the correctness thereof: also that John T. Post had agreed to take a census of said territory for the sum of ten (10) dollars. [illegible] that he had taken such census which showed that there were 1821 residents therein - and that said census had been verified by said John T. Post as per direction of the Statute.

Motion by W.G. Miller that Report be accepted and approved was seconded
and carried with the provision however that the verbal description written on the map be changed or enlarged so as to more particularly describe all the lines and courses forming the boundaries. Upon motion of Saml. R. Smith, Mr. Cornelius was requested to act as a Com. of one to confer with the surveyor A.G. Smith for the purpose of making said Verbal description more complete. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion then made and carried to adjourn until Tuesday evening Sept. 6th, 1892 at the Bank.

H.P. Libby, Secretary
Freeport, Sept. 6/92

A meeting of the Incorporation Committee was held at the Bank with the following members present viz: [?] Messrs. Cornelius, Miller, Conklin, H.R. Smith, S.R. Smith and H.P. Libby.

W.G. Miller, Chairman and H.P. Libby, Secty.

Minutes of Mtg. of Sept. 3rd were read and approved.

Under reports of Committees – Mr. Cornelius stated that the changes in the Verbal Description (on the map made by A.G. Smith) had been made in accordance with the request at the last meeting. The amended description was then read and by unanimous vote declared approved.

The Com. then resolved that the Map and Census should be left in the office of H.P. Libby for examination by the residents of the proposed village
and that Notice of same be posted according to law in at least twenty public places within the proposed Village. H.P. Libby requested to see that said notices were printed and posted which he agreed.

By the whole Com. present a notice was also drawn up notifying the people within the proposed Village that an Election would be held on Oct. 18/92 to determine whether the territory thereinafter described should be incorporated as a village to be known as "Freeport". That the amount to be raised the first year be $500.00 and that the Excelsior H & L Truck Ho.[?] be the place where said election should be held.

Motion to adjourn to meet at same place Sept. 10th was carried.

H.P. Libby, Secretary
Copy of NOTICE
as to leaving Map & Census for Examination
Posted in 20 public places Sept. 12/1892

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Charles L. Wallace
Platt Conklin
Hiram R. Smith
H.P. Libby

dated Freeport
Sept. 12, 1892

Posted by C.E. Helland who made sworn statement to that effect.
- H.P.L.
Freeport, Sept. 10/92


Mr. Miler, Chairman & S.R. Smith Sect. protem

Minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

No business was done and the meeting was adjourned to meet at the same place the following Saturday evening Sept. 17/92.

G.R. Smith, Secty Protem
Freeport, Sept. 17/92

Memo

At an informal meeting of several of the members of the Incorporation Com. it was found that all the Notices of Election on Oct. 18th had been posted as required by law. Sidney G. Smith of Rockville Centre having done said posting and made affidavit thereto.

H.P. Libby, Secretary
Memorandum

Election for Village Incorporation held at the Truck House this day between 10 A.M. & 3 P.M. with the [illegible]visor Thos. D. Smith and Town Clerk [illegible] B. Curley in charge as inspectors. At about 4 o’clock the Supervisor announced the result as follows:

Whole number ballots cast 346
which the word “Yes” was found on 214
which the work “No” was found on 132

346

Incorporation was declared carried

H.P. Libby
Memorandum

Freeport, Oct. 22/92

A certificate signed by the Supervisor & Town Clerk [illegible] Oct. 21st 1892 showing a canvases of the ballots cast on Oct. 18th and certifying as to the result was this day placed on file in the County Clerks Office at Jamaica and attached to said certificate were the following papers – viz. –

A copy of the Notice dated Sept. 12/1892 as to the Survey & Map of the proposed limit [illegible] of Freeport and as to leaving same for public examination at the Office of H.P. Libby.

Also, a copy of the Notice of the Election to be held Oct. 18th, 1892.

Also, an affidavit by Chas. E. Helland that the first mentioned notice had been posted in 20 public places in Freeport.

Also, an affidavit by Sidney S. Smith.
that the Notice of Election had been posted in at least 10 public places in Freeport.

H.P. Libby
Freeport, Oct. 29/92

A meeting of the Incorporation Com. was held in Off. of H.P. Libby at 8 P.M.

Present

Mr. Cornelius presided and H.P. Libby recorded -

A motion by C.L. Wallace, Seconded by P. Conklin “That the Secretary be requested to prepare the Notice of Election of First Officers of the Village of Freeport, the same to be held on Nov. 29th from 12 noon to 4 P.M. at the Truck House – said notice to be posted (as provided by statute) by Nov. 12th/92.

This motion was unanimously carried and then a motion was made & seconded “That this mtg adjourn to the evening of Saturday Nov. 5th 1892” carried.

Mtng. adjourned.

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H.P. Libby, Secty.
Freeport, Nov. 5th 1892

At a mtg. of the Incorp. Com. held in H.P. Libby’s Office at 8 P.M. there were present -

Wm. G. Miller  Platt Conklin  C.L. Wallace
Saml. R. Smith  Hiram R. Smith  H.P. Libby

In the absence of the permanent chairman, Mr. Miller was unanimously asked to preside and H.P. Libby recorded.

It was moved and unanimously carried “that we proceed to nominate the officers for the first term of service.”

The following persons were then unanimously nominated for the respection offices & term of service - viz: -

for President,  Samual R. Smith
term expires Sept. 12/94  for Trustee for 2 yrs - Carman Cornelius
“ “ Sept. 12/93  for Trustee for 1 yr.  Wm. G. Miller
“ “ Sept. 12/93  for Trustee for 1 yr.  Chauncey [illg] Sprague
“ “ Sept. 12/93  for Treasurer for 1 yr.  Hiram R. Smith
“ “ Sept. 12/93  for Collector for 1 yr.  John T. Post
Mr. W.G. Miller & H.P. Libby as Chairman & Secty. then made affidavit before C.L. Wallace Notary that the above nomination had been made at a regular organized mtg.

Mtg. adjourned.

H.P. Libby, Secty.