

## Person to be Heard Related to Agenda

11/18/2019

**Thank you to the Borough Assembly for looking into the Frederick Point Subdivision issue of being charged a high mill rate without services.**

I will be addressing Assembly Item 17. (A):

### *17. Assembly Discussion Items*

*A. Frederick Point East At the request of some Frederick Point East (FPE) property owners, Assembly Member Meucci has requested Clerk Thompson draft an ordinance to begin the process of removing FPE from Service Area 1. Clerk Thompson will work with Attorney Heideman to bring the ordinance to the Assembly in the near future. Currently, research is being conducted regarding the annexation of FPE into the City of Petersburg in the late 70's.*

My name is Darcie Ewert and our family has been a part of the FPE summer community for over 12 years. We recently have relocated to Petersburg and await the excitement of our new home on Wrangell Narrows.

I started researching the origination of Frederick Point East (FPE) subdivision because I was confused by the high mill rate the subdivision was charged with no services. I looked at how and when FPE subdivision was annexed into the city of Petersburg, and more importantly, why?

Through research, I learned the City of Petersburg annexed FPE into the city with a stipulation it would be "capable and willing to provide services to the annexed areas" (Annexation to Limits of Petersburg Jan. 4, 1978 – 19 AAC 30.050.020). These required services were never provided.

Another problem is the actual location of FPE subdivision compared to the perception of where it is located. If you drive past the developments on Frederick Point (FPN) that have services, continue to mile markers 6-8, hike 20 to 30 minutes east (because there are no roads) and then you will find the subdivision.

I could understand why this issue could have continued 40 years due to the perceived versus the actual location.

I believe if people know the location of FPE (not FPN) and the facts behind the annexation, then the situation can be resolved in a fair manner. However, if FPE is removed from Service Area 1, then an adjustment to the mill rate should occur automatically, because no services have been provided or the services stipulated in the annexation agreement will be provided.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this issue.

Respectfully, Darcie Ewert