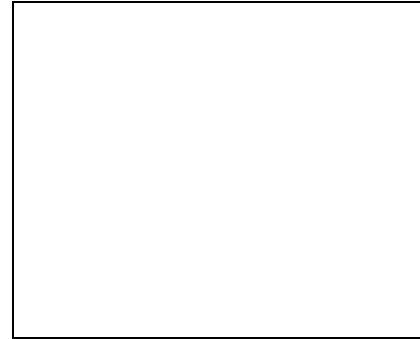


**Town of Fairhaven
Board of Public Works Meeting
May 5, 2014**

Present

Michael Ristuccia, Commissioner
Robert Hobson, Commissioner
Kathleen Sturtevant, Commissioner
G. Steven Riley, Commissioner
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent
Donald Spooner, Resident



Mr. Wotton was not in attendance.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Ristuccia called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. Routine Matters

A. Signing of Departmental Bills

III. Approval of Minutes

A. April 22, 2014

Ms. Sturtevant motioned to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2014 meeting. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

B. April 22, 2014 – Executive Session

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2014 executive session. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

IV. Appointments

A. Linda Nugent, 888 Scoticut Neck Road – Re: Driveway Waiver

Ms. Nugent - I moved to Fairhaven in October 2013. Even though there's a driveway apron on the north side of my property, the prior owner, as well as my family all park on the south side as there is much more room and the prior owner put down some crushed stone.

Mr. Furtado - In order to get a waiver from the Board you need to remove the existing apron and loam and see where that apron existed. Also, you must use an approved driveway contractor. Since Pete DeTerra took out the permit, you have to use him. If you choose to use someone else, he must be an approved driveway contractor with Town.

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Ms. Nugent - I understand but could I use cobble stone when I remove the current apron?

Mr. Hobson - You are looking for twenty-six feet? Also, if you use cobbles, you would be responsible for any damages during plowing.

Ms. Sturtevant - No problem.

Mr. Riley - No issues.

Mr. Ristuccia - As long as you are aware that you cannot have two curb cuts, I am good.

Mr. Hobson motioned to allow a twenty-six foot cobblestone driveway apron on the south side of 888 Scoticut Neck Road pending the resident complies with removing the existing apron. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

V. Items for Action

A. NuWater, Inc. - Change Order #5

Mr. Furtado - This is for extra electrical work at the South Street Pumping Station that we can do because of the bid prices.

Mr. Hobson - No problem.

Ms. Sturtevant - No problem.

Mr. Riley - I have a couple of issues. First, the change orders are mounting up. Why weren't these items originally scoped by FST?

Mr. Furtado - Mr. Riley, they were. Because the bid prices came in less than projected we are using the additional money to get extra work done that we thought we couldn't afford. We checked with Anne Carreiro to make sure that the additional change orders (percentage wise) would not be an issue – and to date – she's on board with all we've done.

Mr. Riley – Okay, one additional issue, for the ATS; I've read that we need to carry \$1000 to NSTAR for a shutdown fee, but no where I've read does it show where this money is coming from. Do you know?

Mr. Furtado - I am not sure if this is something that is currently a line item in a contract or will be addressed in a future change order, but we certainly have the money. We don't have much time left in this project and would like to finish it.

Mr. Riley - Then I cannot support this and I suggest we table this until next meeting.

Mr. Riley motioned that Change Order #5 be tabled until our next meeting. Mr. Ristuccia seconded. Vote unanimous.

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VI. Board Members, Superintendent -Old Business / New business

Mr. Riley - Mr. Spooner you've been sitting here, did you just come to listen or did you want to say something?

Mr. Spooner - I want to talk about Sconticut Neck Road flooding.

Mr. Riley - Because of the open meeting law, you cannot speak now but we can put you first on the agenda at 6:00 p.m. at our next meeting.

Mr. Spooner – Okay.

Ms. Sturtevant - Can we put wood chips under the swings of Rogers and Oxford? Schools don't do this anymore, yet kids play there still.

Mr. Ristuccia - I would like the records of all properties that use water but are not billed for water for our next meeting – please place this matter on our next agenda.

Mr. Furtado - Kathy has all this information, if you are talking about municipal buildings.

Mr. Ristuccia - I also would like to know why we can't use the old Staffon property for a recycling center.

Mr. Furtado - I've sent a few emails to the Selectboard and to Planning and they've told me/us to look elsewhere.

Mr. Riley - What you need to do is to find the value of that land and that amount of money that the Town would make by selling it and then add that to the taxes that would come in from whomever purchased this property, then compare that to whatever fees we could get for the recycling center and the town could compare if it's better to sell or to be used for recycling.

Mr. Hobson - Rumor has it that they want to sell this land to the marijuana people.

Mr. Riley - Can we use Chapter 90 money to chip seal the Town Beach?

Mr. Furtado - Not sure, but I will check.

Superintendent's Report for May 5, 2014:

From Last Meeting:

- Sent letter to BOH re: properties who are not tied in yet have sewer available
- Highway Department is grading roads

New Items:

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- Work on Intermunicipal Agreement with Mattapoisett
- Reinstate demoted employee to licensed position – license is now active
- Work on various funding sources for Dam Grant
- Meet with State Fish and Wildlife Rep on site at dam to discuss Town’s options with dam repair/removal
- Send correspondence to Fin Comm to advise that a screw/nut combo that are integral pieces on the lift in the Town's repair garage has gone south. Budget wise, Highway has enough money (it's going to be close) to handle this \$3800 expenditure unless, of course, something else blows up before July 1.
- Work on finalizing language of Rubbish Contract with Town Counsel and Insurance Company
- Respond to grievance from Sewer Department
- Went with Town Counsel to MASS DOT re: Howland Road project recap
- Water Bills will be released on May 5
- Attend precinct meeting
- Prep for Town Meeting

VII. Set Date for the Next Meeting

Mr. Riley motioned to hold the next meeting on May 19, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

VIII. Adjourn

Ms. Sturtevant motioned to adjourn 7:20 p.m. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Vincent D. Furtado
Superintendent

Minutes approved on May 19, 2014.