

**Town of Fairhaven
Board of Public Works Meeting
May 18, 2015**

Present

Michael Ristuccia, Commissioner
Robert Hobson, Commissioner
Kathleen Sturtevant, Commissioner
Brian Wotton, Commissioner
Daniel Freitas, Commissioner
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent
Kathy Tripp, Administrative Assistant
Jaime Leblanc
John Medeiros, Lions Club
William Moniz, Lions Club
John Rogers
Alex Kuechler



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. May 4, 2015

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2015 meeting. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

IV. Appointments

A. Jaime's Hawaiian Ice Truck – Request to enter Fort Phoenix & Town Beach

Mr. Ristuccia – You are here to request to enter Fort Phoenix?

Ms. Leblanc – We sell novelties and snacks. I originally lived in Fairhaven and now I have a house in Mattapoisett. We passed our health inspection. Pat told me about the parking there are some places I can go and some I can't. Some things are private. She suggested I ask for a meeting.

Mr. Furtado – I would defer to you folks about Fort Phoenix and the Town beach.

Ms. Leblanc – I would like to get as close as possible.

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Mr. Furtado – At the Fort we are responsible for the west side.

Ms. Leblanc – Park on that street?

Mr. Hobson – You can park your truck in the street. You can't go into the Fort. The clam truck parked in the street. Can't go into the state part. When you go down Fort you can park between Fort and Green Street because there has somebody parking there the last three years. The Town beach is controlled by us.

Mr. Ristuccia – How long would you park?

Ms. Leblanc – I have baseball games. I went to Fort a little bit and to the games at Hastings.

Mr. Wotton – No problem.

Ms. Sturtevant – Beaches on Scoticut Neck at the dead end streets. Technically, the town owns them, you can go down there. Briercliffe, Calumet, and Jerusalem you can go down there.

Ms. Leblanc – Is West Island off limits?

Mr. Freitas – I don't have a problem as long as you have the Board of Health approval. I think the ballfields and parking lots that falls with the School Committee. Down the Town Beach for ½ hour okay but I would have a problem all day. Are you clear where you can park at the Fort?

Ms. Leblanc – Yes.

Mr. Ristuccia – When you go to these places and the line goes away, go somewhere else. You may get some people who are not happy.

Mr. Freitas – Do you have something from the Board of Health?

Ms. Leblanc – Yes.

Mr. Wotton motioned to allow Jaime's Hawaiian Ice Truck to access the Town's portion of Fort Phoenix on the street and the Town Beach. Mr. Freitas seconded. Vote unanimous.

**B. Fairhaven Lions Club – Request Assistance for Oxford School NFIA Building Clean-up
John Medeiros, William Moniz**

Mr. Medeiros – I am also here as the representative of the NFIA. We'd like to do is have the two organizations clean up Oxford School on the outside. We received permission from the Selectmen at their last meeting. We are asking for help from the BPW. Vinnie's input as to what we can do and what we can't do. Might need some equipment and tools. It will be June 6th from 8-12. Also looking for volunteers. The Lions Club will supply coffee and donuts. As many people to go there and do that.

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Clean the outside maybe later inside do that too. Want to get rid of the rocks so they won't break the windows.

Mr. Moniz – There is broken glass and trash all over the place. Community service project.

Ms. Sturtevant – My opinion is why couldn't we do something like homecoming? Supply barrels and garbage bags. On Monday they could drive by and pick it up.

Mr. Medeiros – Maybe a dumpster. Work with Vinnie and John with a plan. May need some shovels and brooms.

Mr. Ristuccia – You always do a good job with the area.

Mr. Medeiros – It belongs to the town. I'd like to see some of you there.

Mr. Ristuccia – I'm from West Island and I will be there.

Mr. Hobson – Call ABC and see if they will drop off a dumpster as a donation.

Mr. Medeiros – Dumpster there would be good and then what I would like to do is go inside the school and see what's in there.

Mr. Ristuccia – I like the outside even half full okay.

Mr. Wotton – Put it on the website. Cleanup this past weekend we had one-hundred volunteers. Not easy to get. We had seventy-five for the bike path. Ten yards will be plenty big enough. Leaf bags. Bulk items not in that. Check with ABC about mixing rocks. They are picky on that.

Mr. Hobson motioned to supply dumpster and tools for the Oxford School cleanup.

Mr. Freitas – If we can get the dumpster that's one thing. Just ask Kathy if it's in the budget. If not that we send one or two guys with a dump truck. Four or five hundred for a dumpster. Leave it there Friday to Monday. The dumpster for free from ABC or Hoppy will donate it.

Mr. Hobson amended his motion to supply a ten yard dumpster if we can supply and we and if not myself and Mr. Ristuccia will split the cost. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

Mr. Medeiros – On another matter, concrete work and sidewalks at Benoit Square. We need some help cleaning it up. The rubble your guys could go in there. The other thing there is a stump in there that needs to be removed. Dedication is on July 12th for the gazebo and we'd like the stump removed.

C. George Belanger, Teamsters – Re: Sewer Contract

Ms. Sturtevant motioned to enter into executive session at 6:23 p.m. to discuss the sewer contract and to reconvene open session at its conclusion. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

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In favor: Mr. Ristuccia, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Wotton, Ms. Sturtevant and Mr. Freitas.

Open session resumed at 7:30 p.m.

V. Items for Action

A. Award Sewer Contract 27, Part A; I & I – D’Allessandro Corp.

Mr. Furtado – A, B and C are all together. This is for the I & I work. We originally bid this as one contact. The folks that do the pipe line, that’s a specialty contract to their general contractor. They were really high. General contractor’s subbed out, that was high. Three separate contracts, cheaper that way.

Mr. Freitas – This sewer pipeline work as good as they say is it?

Mr. Furtado – Yes.

Mr. Ristuccia – In Andover they did a lot of work and they never had an issue with any of it.

Mr. Furtado – We did a big section in New Bedford on Rockdale Avenue.

Mr. Wotton motioned to award to Contract 27, Part A to D’Allessandro Crop. in the amount of \$287,701.00. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

B. Award Sewer Contract 27, Part B; Excavation – Green Mountain Pipeline Services

Mr. Wotton motioned to award Contract 27, Part B to Green Mountain Pipeline Services in the amount of \$191,402.00. Mr. Freitas seconded. Vote unanimous.

C. Fay, Spofford & Thorndike – Engineering Amendment #2; Sewer System Selective Rehabilitation Design & Construction Engineering

Ms. Sturtevant motioned to approve Fay, Spofford & Thorndike Amendment #2 for the Sewer System Selective Rehabilitation Design & Construction Engineering in the amount of \$8,300. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

D. Summer Help

Mr. Ristuccia – We have the recommendations by the superintendent’s.

Mr. Furtado – Passed out the applications for the superintendents. Next time it will be the gate attendants and lifeguards. As you can see John picked his three. Linda and Eddie picked theirs based on past performance or recommendations from someone.

Mr. Ristuccia – I know this young man here. Do you have anything you would like to say?

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Mr. Kuechler – I worked with the Park Department last June. Unfortunately I was only able to stay for a month. I thoroughly enjoyed it. Very much appreciate it if you picked me.

Mr. Ristuccia – Any questions or comments.

Mr. Freitas - I kind of went with their picks. Only change let me ask you this, can we slip two in for the sewer? Check on that. I went with switching one Tyler Perry for the sewer and Ben Pinard because his dad works up there. I actually called these people, some questions a couple of names. Come back and do the job.

Mr. Furtado - I agree, but Tyler Perry came highly recommended. His grandparents live in Fairhaven.

Mr. Wotton – I'm okay. Is there room with the sewer for this young man?

Mr. Hobson motioned pick the people from recommendations by John, Linda and Luke. Mr. Wotton seconded.

Mr. Freitas motioned to switch with Ben Pinard in the sewer. Ms. Sturtevant seconded.

Mr. Hobson's motion: Vote 3-2 in favor with Mr. Freitas and Ms. Sturtevant opposed.

Mr. Freitas withdrew his motion.

Mr. Hobson's motion passes unanimously.

Mr. Furtado – We will look at Alex and Ben.

Mr. Ristuccia – The Selectmen wouldn't give us any money after the end of June, so we had to let him go.

Mr. Freitas – John tries to squeeze every dime.

Mr. Ristuccia – The superintendents, we like to work with their recommendation. We let them keep their selections. We need to request more funding for one or more people.

Mr. Kuechler – Where sewer or park?

Mr. Freitas – Would you potentially take twenty hours per week?

Mr. Kuechler – Yes. Just curious, was I on Charbonneau's list?

Mr. Furtado – No.

Mr. Freitas – It's the budget. More than likely we will try to work you in at some point.

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Mr. Ristuccia – We will do our best not to let you down.

E. Indirect Costs

Mr. Ristuccia – I did a lot of research studying these indirect costs this. Health, retirement. Now the largest single t costs are two pays, Mr. Furtado and Kathy. Look at those two. Take those things away it is \$75,444 and \$91,769. \$167, the numbers I used to think these are payroll people that work here.

Mr. Furtado – It is Kathy and my salary.

Mr. Ristuccia – \$5,000 is the audit and \$41,000 is for insurance. \$167,000 is for water and sewer bills collecting the money, checks, payroll so it's not as bad as I thought it was. If we hired one very sharp person and also to do the payments to make out the checks would we spend \$155,000 to do it.

Mr. Furtado – Even if we hired someone it may not be \$160,000, checks to be done, money to be collected, accounts payable. The difference was in 2013 after the Department of Revenue came in, 2012, that it wasn't up to snuff. I don't think it's drastically overpriced.

Mr. Ristuccia – I would like to attend a selectmen's meeting to talk about it.

F. Award Tinkham Lane Roof Bid

Mr. Furtado – We would like to pass over this. As for the bid we don't know if it is equal to the spec so we never got the material spec from the contractor. We can't award it. We will wait for the next meeting.

G. Bayside Engineering – Engineering Design Services; Phoenix Bike Trail

Mr. Ristuccia – This is for Phase 1 and 2.

Mr. Furtado – We only want to do Phase 1 for now.

Mr. Ristuccia – The total is phase 1 only. The bike crossing is a real dangerous situation. Somebody stops off on Sconticut Neck they go right around. Sometimes people don't realize and they get close to hitting people. We now have a safety audit.

Mr. Furtado – The gentleman used to work for Greenman Pederson. We sent for the Chapter 90 approval. If you vote Phase 1 only it would be based on Town Counsel's approval of the agreement and Chapter 90 approval.

Mr. Wotton motion to approve the agreement to Bayside Engineering for Phase 1 for David Drown Boulevard at Sconticut Neck Road crossing in the amount of \$34,500 based on Chapter 90 approval and Town Counsel approval of the agreement. Mr. Freitas seconded. Vote unanimous.

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H. Gravity Construction – Hydrant Replacement; Pay Requisition #1

Mr. Furtado – This is the general contractor for the hydrant replacements around Town. This is their pay requisition #1. It's in amount \$132,509.23. It's been approved by Tata & Howard. We sent one of our guys out there while they worked. Twenty hydrants only about \$10,000 left to work with.

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve Pay Requisition #1 to Gravity Construction in the amount of \$132,509.23. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

I. Pavao Construction – Francis Street Roadway Project; Pay Requisition #3

Mr. Furtado – Road reconstruction project, water and sewer using Chapter 90 money with a combination of the CBDG. The current payment is \$28, 813.50 and it's to Pavao Construction.

Ms. Sturtevant motioned to approve payment to Pavao Construction in the amount of \$28,813.50 to be paid from Chapter 90. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

VI. Board Members, Superintendent – Old Business / New Business

Superintendent's Report for May 18, 2015:

From last meeting

- Bayberry Street was graded per request
- GCG lowered proposal on grease trap observation at 39 Causeway Rd – they agreed amount of estimated hours were excessive
- Wall repairs/various loam and seeding from snow season
- Tree at Gardner/Long referred to Tree Warden

New Items

- Livesey Park skate park pre-bid meeting on site – no one showed
- Digester close-out letter forwarded to BC
- ABC cart deliveries still on-going – much more efficient and organized in recent weeks
- Met with vendor concerning logistics and costs to retrofit our current water/sewer billing system from touch pad to drive-by and/or fixed base
- Met with DEP concerning Fairhaven's forthcoming water withdrawal permit and all the soon to be newly imposed requirements tied into this permit

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- Received proposal from Bayside Engineering to engineer SRPEDD's safety suggestions at the David Drown bike path intersection – proposal forwarded to MA DOT for Chapter 90 approval
- Bid openings for Highway, Water and Sewer various materials
- Bid opening for repair to Tinkham Lane Pump Station roof
- Reapplication for a Mill Road dam improvement grant
- Numerous inquiries about summer employment
- Meeting with GCG concerning Shore Drive (Fall 2015) and Green St (2016) improvements
- Attend Mattapoisett River Valley meeting
- Sewer Dept working on the logistics of the effluent nitrogen reduction pilot program
- Wellness van – coordinated from Southcoast Hospitals -will be at Public Works on June 4 at 8 am
– there will be free screening for BMI, blood pressure, glucose level, and a few more screenings
– still working on the logistics (sign-up, etc.)

Mr. Hobson– See if you can do something. I received a phone call about Route 6 by Benny's and all thru there call the state about the potholes. The other thing is Washington and Main, the antique building brush alongside the building they never picked up.

Mr. Wotton – Nothing.

Ms. Sturtevant – People are complaining about the corner of Briercliffe and Eaton Road. Empty lot there. Town put up a sign \$500 fine. Is this private property?

Mr. Furtado – Permission from the owner.

Ms. Sturtevant – People are putting grass clippings there. Someone came out and started screaming. Dumping again with the sign up there too. Cul-de-sac at the end of Torrington. There are rocks up there someone went in with 20 bags of leaves. Who do you call?

Mr. Wotton – The police.

Mr. Ristuccia – Back to the no parking signs on the Island. Certain places on the Island east and west come down to the water. When they go to the water that's their neighborhood beach. They park cars and two are abused, Bluepoint Road and Cherrystone road.

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VII. Set Date for the Next meeting

Mr. Freitas motioned to hold the next meeting on June 1, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

VIII. Adjourn

Mr. Freitas motioned to adjourn 8:15 p.m. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. Tripp
Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved on June 1, 2015.