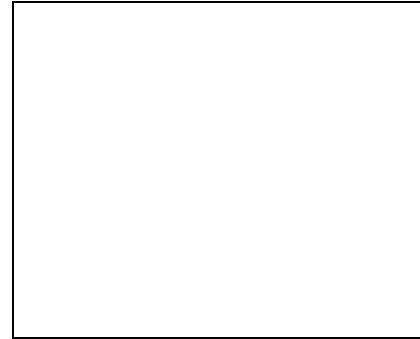


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Present

Michael Ristuccia, Commissioner
Robert Hobson, Commissioner
Brian Wotton, Commissioner
Kathleen Sturtevant, Commissioner
Jarrod Lussier, Commissioner
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent
Kathy Tripp, Administrative Assistant
John Alves, Fairhaven Football
Kyle Winderlick, Highway
Linda Schick, Sewer Superintendent
Thomas Botelho, Sewer
Nicholas Parker, Sewer
Tong Tieu, 69 Boston Hill Road



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 18, 2015 – Executive Session

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve the minutes of May 18, 2015 executive session. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote 4-0 in favor with Mr. Lussier abstaining.

B. September 14, 2015 – Executive Session (c)

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve the minutes of September 14, 2015 executive session (c). Mr. Ristuccia seconded. Vote 4-0 in favor with Mr. Lussier abstaining.

C. October 17, 2016

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the minutes of October 17, 2016. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

IV. Appointments

A. John Alves, Fairhaven Acushnet Football League – Re: Livesey Park

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Mr. Alves – I am the president of the Fairhaven-Acushnet football and cheer program. Storage needs we have one metal container. Now we just finished the season and we are using a self storage unit for chair mats and helmets are going there. The cost is very high. Asking my board we put feelers out for another 10 x 20 metal container. We can cut our cost in half and own it in three years. So what I am asking is to be able to put another 10 x 20 container and abut to what is there now and put together behind the trees. Season ends at that spot to ease up the cost for the future board for however long it lasts. Doing this I understand the fear, football and cheer Livesey Park looking like a metal storage facility. I understand the pros and cons. I do understand the neighbors don't want the metal containers either. Keep esthetics of the park. If approved some tall arborvitae to block the sides and keep the ends open.

Mr. Ristuccia – The costs is too high?

Mr. Alves - It's \$228 a month.

Mr. Hobson– I happen to have a couple of them. They cost between \$2,000 and \$3,000 and you a volunteer program so you can probably get it for that price. These are very easy to pick up when you are done for the season. Have them there for four to five months. You could actually buy one and done with the football season. Hire a truck and bring it back here. That's just a suggestion.

Mr. Ristuccia – After the season?

Mr. Alves – We need one during the football season.

Mr. Ristuccia – Rent or own the first one?

Mr. Alves – Own.

Mr. Furtado – Liability to bring it here. We have big construction vehicles. I'm not saying no.

Mr. Wotton – I've moved containers before for about \$150. I would have no problem to leave it there or here but we would have you sign a waiver that we weren't responsible.

Ms. Sturtevant – I'm concerned with a couple of things. Liability, you would open up a can of worms once you start allowing it other organizations might want to store something also. That's my concern. Am I for the kids; absolutely. Any way someone has property at the end of the season you could put it?

Mr. Alves – Ideally that would be great but not every year it's the same person. For me one more year. Don't know where his child is in the organization.

Ms. Sturtevant – How about building something there? We had talked about a building. That was a while back. Didn't we consider that?

Mr. Lussier - First I want to commend John on the amount of work he has done. The responsibility with all the equipment. Just the daily set up at 6 a.m. trucks setting up stakes and outline the perimeter of

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the football field. The amount of equipment at a home game is an extensive amount of work. My idea is long term. Five years old to twelve to thirteen years old. Parents or daughter plays for one or two years. Not always have a steady amount of people on the board. It's there the next person can come in and take over. Compare with the other towns, we are very below average. My idea is to upgrade the park. Better parking area. Egress. Cars on both sides of the road. We don't want metal containers everywhere. My idea Kathy just noted that a storage building revamp that and extend it. Fairhaven football knows they don't own it. Look better than storage containers everywhere. New Bedford Voke, it would be a great community project. Cut the costs of construction, revamp the place.

Mr. Ristuccia – My take is that a metal container is a temporary fix for a lasting problem. A lot of negative to the metal containers. Sort term fix for x amount of months a year. In the mean time work on something to happen. I'm thinking we could. I know an engineer that would donate time. A lot of other folks in the trades to help us. I think up to the board obviously the season is over. I'd like to see a building there.

Mr. Wotton motion to allow Fairhaven Football League to place a storage container in Livesey Park for one year and revisit in one year and try to work together about a building. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

**B. Interview for Special Motor Equipment Operator, Highway Department
Kyle Winderlick**

Mr. Winderlick – I was an SMEO. I'm looking to get that back.

Mr. Hobson – He operates the grader, bulldozer, and every piece of equipment we have. Sewer not his cup of tea. He's been here thirteen years, sewer six years. Snow plow all the equipment. Better asset to the highway department.

Mr. Ristuccia – When you transferred back from sewer to highway before you left the highway what was your step?

Ms. Tripp – Top step.

Mr. Furtado – I want to put him at that step.

Mr. Hobson motioned to promote Kyle Winderlick to Special Motor Equipment Operator at the top step. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous

**C. Interviews for Sewer System Maintenance Man
Thomas Botelho, Nicholas Parker**

Mr. Botelho – I grew up in Fairhaven. I recently one month ago started working for the sewer. Years ago I worked one summer for the water. I missed Fairhaven. Pretty much I want this to be my last job and get my licenses and move on. I asked Mr. Furtado about the license and pretty much where I am at right now.

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Mr. Furtado – We hired two temporary employees. Kyle left the sewer to join highway. We also have another person who has been out on workers comp since February or March so we filled those with temporary positions. Tom and Nick in front of you today. We will still keep the other person on temporary. One permanent position is available. One just go on like during the day today.

Mr. Hobson– Whichever gets the job there is a stipulation that within six months to a year to get the license. That person has got to get a license, the grade 4 or 5 and we pay extra money for 6, 7 or 8. If we hire either one of you tonight you have to get the license.

Mr. Furtado – The position right now won't require it but we want both.

Mr. Botelho – The CDL, the water treatment, hoisting; I'm eager and want to get them.

Mr. Ristuccia – Both present your selves very well.

Mr. Wotton – Talk about this prior. Vinnie has a class the first of the year. Even not hired do as well. We will have another opening. Given that course first of the year twelve week course June 1st of next year. Obviously next license exam June 2nd fine. This is tough both start around the same time. Awkward for us. You started a couple days prior to him.

Ms. Sturtevant – Linda has worked with both of them.

Ms. Schick – They are both a breath of fresh air. I would hire both tonight.

Mr. Ristuccia – Let me ask we can't hire both tonight don't have the position.

Mr. Furtado – One permanent and one temporary.

Mr. Lussier – Same boat as everybody else. Both want to advance. This is important to you. Both are competent individuals. Engaged in the conservation.

Mr. Ristuccia – Nick, can you tell us about yourself?

Mr. Parker – I wasn't born here but I grew up in New Bedford. My grandparents have a summer home here. It's my town now. I live near the water and have done everything. Hoppy lives up the street.

Mr. Hobson – Both good guys and they are friends.

Mr. Parker – We both have the same goals.

Mr. Parker – We went to Vinnie early. Both trying to take the exam before the exam.

Mr. Furtado – We had a class last week as long as Linda okays it.

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Mr. Lussier – Both have a CDL, correct?

Mr. Parker – No.

Mr. Lussier – Nick, some background?

Mr. Parker – I'm hands on as well. Initially I went to New England Tech for electrical. It was a bad time for me my father passed away and I went back to school after that for respiratory tech, machines a lot of hands on stuff in the summer time. Construction in the summer time.

Mr. Botelho - No experience with sewage. I worked for the water when I was in college in summer. Learning as I go. Eager. Who thinks about sewage? Kind of blows my mind what goes on here.

Mr. Ristuccia – Just say this regardless to which one we choose don't be discouraged.

Ms. Schick – Both are being paid at temporary laborer at \$12 an hour.

Mr. Ristuccia – We are not going to make a decision right now.

D. Pho Le Tieu – Re: Driveway Permit Violation, 69 Boston Hill Road

Mr. Le Tieu's son Tong was in attendance representing his father.

Mr. Ristuccia – Ask a couple of questions, you hired someone to do the driveway?

Mr. Le Tieu – Yes.

Mr. Ristuccia – Did that person that you hired, did they tell you needed a permit?

Mr. Le Tieu - We were unaware of the process.

Mr. Ristuccia – That person knew and did not pull a permit.

Mr. Le Tieu - We're slowly transferring into Fairhaven from Rochester. Only thing we have done is the driveway. One topcoat done. My dad is a fisherman. I am a merchant marine.

Mr. Ristuccia – There is a fine involved. These folks didn't know they needed a town approved contractor. Contractor knew he needed a permit. Who is going to know? Put them in a jackpot. Last place you want to be is to sit in front of this board.

Mr. Lussier – I agree it should be the contractor who absorbs the penalty.

Mr. Ristuccia – Not paid in next thirty days suspend him for six months.

Ms. Tripp – He has been a contractor since 2003.

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Mr. Ristuccia – The Board doesn't take this lightly.

Mr. Le Tieu – That's why we hired a professional.

Ms. Sturtevant – I agree with that. Sometimes I just wonder sometimes about why the homeowners have to come in and do this. John could say send a letter to the actual company that did it and pay the \$300 and not have us be involved.

Mr. Wotton – Most of time we don't know.

Mr. Ristuccia – I agree with you. Highway he knows. I don't want to lose the control of the board.

Mr. Furtado – On the permit he gives his thoughts and leaves it up to you.

Mr. Wotton – Had the pleasure of meeting these people a few years ago. I absolutely agree force the fine on the contractor. We can pull his right to work in town.

Mr. Wotton motioned to assess a \$300 fine to Cardoso Contracting and if not paid in thirty days and they will not be allowed to do work in town. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

V. Items for Action

A. Century Paving – Shore Drive Roadway Reconstruction, Payment #2

Mr. Furtado – This is the curbing and top course on Shore Drive at the bottom of Capeview.

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve payment #2 to Century Paving in the amount of \$64,176.30. Mr. Lussier seconded. Vote unanimous.

B. D'Allessandro Corp. – Sewer System Rehab Part A, Payment #2 – Final

Mr. Furtado – This is the final payment. They did the sewer work and drainage on Alpine and Main that was blocked for the longest time. They came back and patched it. State had to give their blessing.

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve final payment for D'Allessandro Corp. in the amount of \$14,574.32. Mr. Lussier seconded. Vote unanimous.

C. D & C Construction – Change Order #1 Causeway Bridge Water Main Support

Mr. Furtado – This is a change order for work that's going to take place in a couple of weeks. November 14th date the support beam is to be delivered on the causeway. Once work begins there will be one lane of traffic. One day for a couple of hours no traffic allowed at all. A couple weeks ago they did a mock drill to ascertain the support beam fabricating and that mock drill revealed there were modifications required. Get in touch with the people so they need to extend the time period.

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Mr. Wotton motioned to approve change order #1 for a time extension. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

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

Superintendent's Report for November 7, 2016:

From Last Meeting

- Graded West Island streets including beach parking lot
- Additional storage request at Livesey on our agenda
- Lighting at Fort issue on Historical Commission agenda
- Jake's restaurant checked by sewer crews for grease

New Items

- Added change order to Green Street project to add conduit for lighting near church
- Latest update is water main work on the Causeway scheduled for week of November 14th
- Send notice to resident re: water ban violation
- Paint handicap parking spots/repair signs at Fort Phoenix
- Work with Insurance co re: claim against Town for vehicular damage allegedly caused by Alden Road construction
- Proposal for Jeanette Street drainage
- Work on Stormwater grant
- Respond to Board of Health concerns re Green Street sidewalk issues
- Work on Union Contracts
- Work on CPC grant application for purchase of property in Marion for water source protection
- Hire two temporary employees for sewer department – we currently have one full time opening – will present to Board
- Conduct wastewater training class for temp wastewater employees
- Inquire as to status of West Island Stop Sign Study
- Inquire as to status of Sign Inventory Study

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- Green St sidewalk work should be completed, except for the brick work, within the next two weeks
- Met with resident at 79 Grandview Ave – re: removal of hay bales
- Met with resident who lives at Maple and Laurel – requested stop sign at intersection – referred to safety officer
- Attend Department head meeting re: software for budget submission and capital planning
- Outside firm completing final drafts of non-union job descriptions
- Meet with Water Department employee and Superintendent re: job duties
- Water main break on Garrison – service broken by Eversource – emailed to Board
- Work on Water Treatment Facility FY18 budget with committee

Mr. Furtado – Met with Kyle being promoted tonight truck driver to operator and we are going to have another employee leave us moving south, so there will be two openings. I'm going to need two board members to volunteer. Who you pick for sewer candidates not officially hired until a preemployment physical and drug test are done.

Mr. Hobson – Any update with the lights at Fort Phoenix and the dike?

Mr. Furtado – The historical commission approved it. I've spoken with Gary Lavalette and the town electrician.

Mr. Hobson – They finished the Union Wharf project and none of the lights are on.

Mr. Furtado – I'll check.

Mr. Hobson – They did the town beach but they still didn't do the end of Causeway Road at Fir Street. For two weeks there has been a whole pile of stuff on Fort Street near the shipyard. Somebody moved out of a house. Couches bureaus do a little investigation.

Mr. Wotton – Ask about the water ban violation in the report. Is the water ban still on?

Mr. Furtado – Yes. Tomorrow the Mattapoissett River Valley is meeting and we'll see as far as that goes. What happened we received residential calls from neighbors. We received a couple of complaints so I sent them a letter.

Mr. Wotton – Green Street sidewalk issues?

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Mr. Furtado – The Board of Health contacted me over concerns from the neighborhood and the status of the sidewalk for Halloween. The sidewalk was subcontracted. I had them hold off.

Mr. Wotton – Six or seven weeks ago I mentioned 9 Green Street, the bus stop and the dead tree. The homeowner contacted me three times. Kid at the bus stop was hit by a branch in the head. Both have called the tree warden with no response. It's a dead tree on town property.

Ms. Sturtevant – I have nothing.

Mr. Lussier – On Main Street at the intersection of Main and Glenhaven on Main if you drive north passed Glenhaven Avenue the curb jogs out. Head west on Glenhaven cars are parked on Main Street and you can't see around the corner. There used to be a sign there, "No parking here to corner". On Maple Avenue there are few trees that were cut down, Maple and Laurel not replaced with anything. Maple and Green on the north side another complaint wasteland again. Esthetically put something back in its place. Howard Farms; there are no street lights in the entire development. A car backed out of a driveway on Halloween and did not see anyone.

Mr. Furtado – Wednesday night there is going to be neighborhood meeting about the one way on Main and Middle.

Mr. Ristuccia – It's time we review the contract we signed with the ABC people. Chat about it at the next meeting. Paying more for rubbish and we don't have what we are supposed to have. Because they don't have those trucks they are picking up everything.

Mr. Wotton – I have seen them in action, bags on the side of the road. Six bags were on Route 6 and I said I'm going to watch. They were gone when I went back. Eliminate the tipping fees by doing recycling now it's going down. Multi million dollars to buy new trucks.

Mr. Ristuccia – Put on the computer and the Neighborhood News that the rubbish collection is going to start enforcing only the blue barrel.

Mr. Lussier – If ABC doesn't pick it up and nobody touches it is there a fine?

Mr. Ristuccia – ABC will pick it up.

Ms. Sturtevant – The truck on our street you put an extra bag out there they won't pick it up.

Mr. Hobson motioned to hire Thomas Botelho as the Sewer System Maintenance Man. Mr. Wotton seconded.

Mr. Lussier motioned to hire Nicholas Parker as the Sewer System Maintenance Man. Mr. Wotton seconded.

On Mr. Hobson's motion: Vote 4-1 with Mr. Lussier opposed.

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Mr. Lussier – Experience not much Botelho. I got better answers from Parker.

Mr. Wotton – I spoke with Linda and Vinnie and they are both fantastic.

Mr. Lussier – Coin flip. Little bit more response from Parker.

VII. Set Date for the Next Meeting

Mr. Wotton motioned to hold the next meeting on November 21, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Sturtevant seconded. Vote unanimous.

VIII. Adjourn and Executive Session

Mr. Wotton motioned to enter into executive session at 7:21 p.m. to discuss union negotiations and not to reconvene in open session.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. Tripp
Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved on November 21, 2016.