

**Town of Fairhaven
Board of Public Works Meeting
July 24, 2017**

Present

Brian Wotton, Commissioner
Robert Hobson, Commissioner
Keith Silvia, Commissioner
Cameron Durant, Commissioner
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent
Kathy Tripp, Administrative Assistant
Bill Stanley, Asphalt Services
Albert Benac, Resident
Frank Coelho, Marine Resources Committee



Mr. Ristuccia was not in attendance.

Mr. Durant arrived late.

I. Call to Order

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

II. Routine Matters

A. Signing of Departmental Bills

III. Approval of Minutes

A. July 10, 2017

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the minutes of July 10, 2017. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous

IV. Appointments

A. Carlos Mota, Vovo's Kitchen Food Truck – Request to Park at West Island

Mr. Furtado - Mr. Mota was not on the agenda but I asked him to come in. Mr. Mota wants to go to West Island with his food truck. He came in the office last Thursday or Friday.

Mr. Mota showed the Board his permits.

Mr. Mota – I serve Portuguese food, no ice cream. Currently I am at Roseanne's on Alden Road. Wherever you tell me to park, on the right?

Mr. Hobson – I don't have a problem with it. Last Sunday there were no parking spots.

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Mr. Silvia – I think it's a good idea.

Mr. Wotton – I do as well.

Mr. Silvia motioned to approve Vovo's Kitchen Food Truck to park at the West Island Beach parking lot. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

Mr. Motta – I will probably be there on Saturday and Sunday.

B. Albert Benac – Re: Cooke Memorial

Mr. Benac – I have a form to use the properties that you are in charge of, Cooke Memorial Park /Cemetery and Kathy gave me a copy of it. I'm all set. What I would like to do if it's alright for me stating give you some wording for a sign. There are two different methods as far as the wording is concerned. John Cooke Memorial and I have the second line would be cemetery and the third line would be Burial Hill Oxford Village. That pretty well covers the area what we are trying to do as far as identifying the property. If it's alright with the Board I would like to go ahead and put a sign there stating such.

Mr. Furtado – There are two matters at hand here. The BPW has not declared that a cemetery yet. Can take that matter up then you can put the sign up. Right now we have the GPR and then a report from the state archeologist that they bumped that report. Town Counsel said to hire someone else to perhaps verify those results or to even get a hold of the state archeologist to dig.

Mr. Benac – What's the next step?

Mr. Wotton - Currently talks between he town attorney and state archeologist. What we did is to halt any other activity in the park. Wait for findings from them. At this point is until we get some further finds we as a board feel it is a cemetery but we need to go thru the steps. We are working behind the scenes to get that information. Once we do, we will do that. The town will work with you with a way to do it. We will gladly notify you.

Mr. Benac – I spoke with briefly with Karen Vilandry and she got in touch with Joe Thomas on William Street. He is a historian and she got into thought with him and he came up with hearsay when they were digging with the footing found four bodies and also they were not sure one of the four or a fifth one stated that they came upon a burial site and it said John Cooke on the casket. If we can substantiate that. Two weeks from now I'll be back.

Mr. Furtado – Hopefully we'll have an answer by then. I can tell you the town's tourism director, chairman of the historical; they don't share the same opinion. The tie may be broken by the state archeologist folks.

Mr. Wotton – We want John Cooke but we are not looking to find that out. He is possibly one of the sixty. If there are actually bodies we will deem that a cemetery.

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Mr. Benac – That’s the way it should be done to eliminate the speculation of the historical commission and tourism. I know they are not in favor.

C. Frank Coelho, Marine Resources Committee – BPW Appointments

Mr. Coelho – Thank you for allowing me to speak to your commission again. The committee recommends and asks the Selectboard to make their proposals. I did what the board asked and they voted 3-0 for a member of the BPW to be on the Marine Resources Committee. Before I get into it too much I would ask the commission, no disrespect for the board members that are here but anybody here should be the most qualified. Make a recommendation to have you consider Hoppy to be on the committee only because he is in the marine industry and has a fishing boat on Union Wharf. He’s been on the commission for eight years. He has done a fine job. That is just a consideration. Appoint anybody you want. The two boards should work together. Not want me here at every meeting that you have just to run thru of the projects. Little bay, Pease Park and Manhattan Avenue and so we have quite a few projects going. Preference I would prefer Hoppy.

Mr. Wotton – Glad you were successful with the selectmen. Town owned land that we are responsible for, Marine Resources Committee or Hoppy’s Landing Committee. Mr. Hobson was one of the founders. I don’t see any other members qualified.

Mr. Hobson – I’ve been on it for eight years. A lot of things have been done and I would be proud to stay on the committee.

Mr. Silvia – I was interested in the position. Construction background I could give you some assistance.

Mr. Durant – Well I’m sorry I missed you at the last meeting. I’ve thought about this. The selectmen made a vote to assist them in bringing on an additional candidate. What the terminology and by-law says, a person cannot be on two boards unless they are a representative. No matter who we send what is the definition of representative. Here on behalf of the BPW, not for themselves. I have no problem supporting a rep of the BPW. Happy for it to be Mr. Hobson. Moving forward best way representing the BPW is that that person speaks when it’s the BPW agenda. We formalize the system. They come back and formalize on our agenda. Whoever acting as representative as how we write up our agendas.

Mr. Wotton – Line item as far as the Marine Resources Committee be informed as anything that has happened. Brought up to the Board and discuss that.

Mr. Durant – New position in how Mr. Hobson when he was on the harbor commission. The BPW has someone representing this board. I have no issue with appointing a representative.

Mr. Wotton - I am on the Local Emergency Planning Commission basically because I am elected official. I am a second. Mr. Furtado is on that board and if he couldn’t be at the Wood School or fire department I would take his spot. Do something similar to that. If there is a meeting and Mr. Hobson can’t make it, Mr. Sylvia can take his place. If he chooses to inform himself more about it visit to see what is going on. Sit in the background and see what is going on.

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Mr. Coelho – I can vouch for my committee, if Mr. Silvia was there, the more people the merrier. Sometimes the Coast Guard, New Bedford Fire and Police are there and to be honest because I didn't have much of a quorum.

Mr. Wotton motioned to appoint Mr. Robert Hobson to the Marine Resources Committee and Mr. Keith Silvia to be an alternate and add a line item in our agenda to discuss any findings or issue to assist with at that time. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

D. Bill Stanley, Asphalt Services – New Driveway Contractor

Mr. Stanley – I mostly do resident driveways and some commercial. Do it the right way, get a permit and then the curb.

Mr. Wotton – After first permit the highway superintendent will inspect the work. Probationary then you are all set.

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve Asphalt Services as a new driveway contractor. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

V. Items for Action

A. Stantec Engineering Agreement, Article 10

Mr. Furtado – That will be tabled. We didn't get it in time

Mr. Hobson motioned to table the Stantec Engineering agreement. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

B. Shore Drive Roadway Reconstruction Project – Century Paving

1. Change Order #1 (2,890.55)

Mr. Silvia motioned to accept change order #1 credit of \$2,890.55. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

2. Change Order #2 (8,897.60)

Mr. Hobson motioned to accept change order #2 credit of \$8,897.60. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

3. Final Payment \$1,277.33

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the final payment to Century Paving in the amount of \$1,277.33. Mr. Silvia second. Vote unanimous.

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4. Certificate of Final Completion

Mr. Hobson motioned to sign the certificate of completion. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

C. Insituform – Change Order #1 \$28,750.00

Mr. Furtado – This is for \$27,500. Right now they are working on the bike path and sewer that runs from Shaw Road to there. We have a contract with Insituform and Inland Waters who is the sub. Cleaning and filming results and lining of the sewer. Fortunate bids were so low what we want to do is to continue for additional 5,000 feet and depending on what those results reveal slip line. The biggest section was Shaw road to Welcome Street. Keep them so we won't have to pay another mobilization fee to keep them here and continue on.

Mr. Wotton – Basically add 5,000 feet and kept their unit price as what they bid.

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve Change Order #1 to Insituform in the amount of \$27,500.00. Mr. Durant seconded. Vote unanimous.

VI. Tabled Matters

n/a

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

Superintendent's Report for July 24, 2017

From Last Meeting

- Umbrella provided at Beach for Gate Attendants
- Hathaway/Sconticut Neck Road property cut
- Filled in all requested potholes
- Cut brush throughout Town
- Cut brush overgrowth onto Causeway

New Items

- Beach sign changed to reflect current prices
- Complete in kind administrative numbers to close out storm water bmp design
- Chair MRV meeting
- Consult Legal Counsel about personnel matter
- Send letter – invite employee into BPW meeting for update

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- Send email to all Town Committee chairs – complete with request form put together by Kathy – so that all committees will go through BPW for all park events
- Attend sewer cleaning/lining pre-construction meeting
- Meet with Engineering firm re: purchase of software that will calculate water/sewer rates
- Email Board concerning bike path sewer line camera change order
- Speak with Dave Webster from EPA concerning forthcoming sewer permit – coordinating a conference call
- John is working with engineer for next phase of Green Street rehab
- Seeking prices to pave west island beach parking lot which will meet approval of Conservation

Mr. Furtado – I received prices to pave the parking lot at West Island. We need conservation approval. Drainage issue going to have to be contained. Truly save us money to grade that place. The cost is \$300,000.

Mr. Durant – Cushman Park the fresh wood chips were put out.

Mr. Silvia – The light on the pole at 7 11 is strobing.

Ms. Tripp – That has been reported to the contractor who repairs the lights.

Mr. Silvia - Causeway cut the brush back it looks good.

Mr. Hobson – I really believe the recycle center should open at 8 instead of 9 on Saturdays. I don't know why it's not 8-1. It would be good for the town.

Mr. Hobson motioned to open the recycle center from 8:00 to 1:00 on Saturdays. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

Mr. Hobson – Other thing there are potholes on Union Street, 2 potholes. Circle with red spray. Down about 6". Brush around Hoppy's Landing. Down Sconticut Neck, I know it's not under our jurisdiction but between Briercliffe to Jerusalem there is one tree hanging over the road and no limbs on this side. The tree is cracked on the bottom. Not on the town land tell person to cut the tree. It could kill people.

VIII. Set Date for the Next Meeting

Mr. Wotton motioned to hold the next meeting on August 7, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

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IX. Adjourn and Executive Session

Mr. Wotton motioned to go into executive session at 7:00 p.m. and not to reconvene in open session.

Roll call taken: Mr. Wotton, Mr. Hobson, Mr. Silvia and Mr. Durant in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy A. Tripp
Administrative Assistant

Minutes approved on August 7, 2017.