

**Town of Fairhaven
Board of Public Works Meeting
August 7, 2017**

Present

Michael Ristuccia, Commissioner
Brian Wotton, Commissioner
Robert Hobson, Commissioner
Keith Silvia, Commissioner
Cameron Durant, Commissioner
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent
Edward Fortin, Water Superintendent
Kim Nogueira, Head Clerk
Kenneth Mazzilli, Kenny's Farm Stand
Jeffrey Furtado
Daryl Snell
James Lawrence
Thomas Perry



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. July 24, 2017

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve the minutes of July 24, 2017. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous

IV. Appointments

A. Kenneth Mazzilli, Kenny's Farm Stand – New Driveway Contractor

Mr. Mazzilli – Looking to install an apron on Ruth Street but need to get approved as a driveway contractor first. I have submitted the letters and insurance.

Mr. Wotton – Everything looks in order. After the first permit the Highway Superintendent will inspect the work. Probationary then you are all set.

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve Kenny's Farm Stand as a new driveway contractor. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

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B. Kenneth Mazzilli, Kenny's Farm Stand - 4 Ruth Street - Driveway Waiver

Mr. Mazzilli – Mr. Bates is looking for a waiver for a second opening and also to install cobblestone for both aprons. One will be 25' and the second one 30'. Keep cars off the street, very narrow road.

Mr. Hobson – Only issue with cobblestones is they could be dig up by the plow, Town not liable.

Mr. Wotton - The owner has to sign a waiver to release the Town from any damage.

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve the request from 4 Ruth Street for two cobblestone aprons, one at 25' and one at 30' with a signed waiver. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

C. Interview – Jeffrey Furtado - Heavy Motor Equip Operator/Water System Maint Man

Mr. Furtado - I am currently in the wastewater division and bid on the job in the water department.

Mr. Ristuccia – Have you read the job requirements and do you think you are qualified?

Mr. Furtado - I did read the requirements. I received my D1 water license in December and have just passed the D2 test. I have attended and paid for the classes on my own. I also upgraded my wastewater license from a Grade 6 to a Grade 7. I have over 17 years experience and feel I am very qualified for this job.

Mr. Wotton - You are extremely qualified. My only concern is the substantial pay cut, that's a big change for anyone. Just want to make sure your ready for that difference in pay every week.

Mr. Furtado – I have done a lot of soul searching and sometimes you have to take a step back to move ahead. I just feel I need a change.

Mr. Wotton – Who could fill your position?

Mr. Furtado – They are many that are qualified.

Mr. Hobson – I have the same concerns. You're a good employee but I don't see a lot of opportunity for you to operate equipment, not sure what your game plan is?

Mr. Durant – The depth of your resume and willingness speaks volumes.

Mr. Furtado - If offered the job I would like to request that I start at the top step. I would also like to be allowed to keep up my Grade 7 wastewater license. I think it is good to have both licenses. I would like to give my thanks to Mr. Furtado, Mr. Fortin and Mr. Charbonneau for helping with paperwork, classes and transportation.

Mr. Hobson – Do you expect to get the Grade License bonus?

Mr. Furtado – No bonus, just be allowed to earn the training hours to keep my license.

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Mr. Hobson – Just wanted to clear that up so there won't be a grievance down the road.

D. Interview - Daryl Snell - Heavy Motor Equip Operator/Water System Maint Man

Mr. Snell – I bid on this job in the Water Department for a chance to advance myself.

Mr. Ristuccia – Do you meet the qualifications?

Mr. Snell – Yes, except for the water license. I have been in the Highway Department for 7 years and live in Town. I don't see a problem with getting the required licenses.

Mr. Ristuccia – I appreciate that you come to work every day and work hard.

Mr. Wotton – What are your current duties?

Mr. Snell – I do laborer duties, drive truck, drainage work and cut grass on the tractor. The work is the same all the time.

Mr. Silvia – I see you all over working.

Mr. Ristuccia – Don't be discouraged if you are not selected this time.

Mr. Snell – I just want to show my interest in advancing myself with the Town.

Mr. Ristuccia – Be proactive, start training on your own for future openings.

E. Interview -James Lawrence - Heavy Motor Equip Operator/Water System Maint Man

Mr. Lawrence - I have been working in the Highway Department for almost three years. I grew up and live in Town.

Mr. Ristuccia – I am asking everyone this, do you feel you meet the job requirements?

Mr. Lawrence – Yes, the work is pretty much the same as the Highway but more chances to work overtime. I don't dislike working in the Highway Department just looking for more work, wanted to show my interest in advancing with the Town.

Mr. Wotton – Do you think getting the water license will be a challenge?

Mr. Lawrence – No, take notes in class and study.

Mr. Hobson – They work a lot of overtime.

Mr. Lawrence – That's what I am hoping for, I have never turned down any overtime.

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Mr. Durant – I appreciate your enthusiasm.

Mr. Ristuccia – Look into getting in some classes on your own, Mr. Fortin and Mr. Furtado can help you.

Mr. Lawrence – I will check into some classes.

F. Thomas Perry - Heavy Motor Equip Operator/Water System Maint Man Interview

Mr. Perry – I have worked in the Highway Department for 6 months now and put in for this job to get my name known and show interest. I am a fast learner and good worker.

Mr. Ristuccia – Do you think you meet the requirements?

Mr. Perry - I feel I can get the license required.

Mr. Wotton – I am glad to hear you are interested in advancing with the Town.

Mr. Hobson – Why do you want to go over to the Water Dept?

Mr. Perry – Chance for a lot more overtime and advancement. I did also just get my hoisting license.

Mr. Silvia – Work on getting license ahead of time.

Mr. Ristuccia - If you had a water license right now you would have a better chance for the job. We are advocates for cross training.

Mr. Wotton motioned to table hiring for this position until the end of the meeting. Mr. Silvia seconded. In favor – 4 – Ristuccia, Wotton, Silvia, Durant. Opposed – 1 – Hobson.

V. Items for Action

A. Vincent Furtado – Carry over One Week Vacation

Mr. Furtado – I am requesting to carry over one week vacation as my contract allows.

Mr. Wotton motioned to allow Mr. Furtado to carry over one week vacation. Mr. Silvia seconded. Vote unanimous.

B. Hart Engineering – Upgrade of WPCF - Contract 29 – \$5,308,396.00

Mr. Furtado – Contracts are ready and have been signed by Town Counsel and Town Accountant. Funding was voted at Town Meeting as part of Article 10. References were checked.

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Mr. Wotton motioned to approve and sign the Hart Engineering contract in the amount of \$5,308,396.00. Mr. Durant seconded. Vote unanimous.

C. Stantec Consulting Services - Rehabilitation of 24" Sewer Interceptor - \$283,000.00

Mr. Furtado – Contracts just came in today. This is to amend the engineering services for the extra cleaning and camera work as discussed previously. The good news is they have not found any significant problems.

Mr. Wotton motioned to approve and sign the Stantec Consulting Services Agreement in the amount of \$283,000.00. Mr. Durant seconded. Vote unanimous.

VI. Tabled Matters – n/a

IV. Interviews Continued Heavy Motor Equipment Operator / Water System Maintenance Man

Mr. Ristuccia – Mr. Fortin, who do you recommend?

Mr. Fortin – There is one only applicant close to being qualified.

Mr. Hobson motioned to hire Jeffrey Furtado for the position at the last step and allow him to retain his Grade 7 Wastewater License. Mr. Wotton seconded. Vote unanimous.

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

A. Marine Resources Committee

Mr. Ristuccia – The Marine Resource Committee did not meet.

Superintendent's Report for August 7, 2017

From Last Meeting

- Basketball nets placed at Macomber
- Hoppy's Landing Dock and Dinghy dock weed whacked
- Brush cut and potholes filled at Union Wharf
- Sent correspondence to Selectmen re: Natural resource committee vote
- Recycling now open from 8am – 1 pm on Saturdays

New Items

- Attend EPA conference call re: sewer draft permit
- Go to Manjiro House re: sewer issue
- Speak with Tom Crotty about Cooke Park issue
- Speak with Legal Counsel re EPA draft permit
- Attend BBAC meeting – grant \$\$ from EPA came in – no need to send \$5000
- Attend Hurricane Preparedness Meeting

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- New IT folks conduct computer survey at BPW office
- Meet with Jacob's Engineering re: dredging at Marsh Island
- Meet with CDM re: interview to represent Town in EPA draft permit meeting
- Speak with Mass Historical Commission representatives re: Cooke Park matter
- Working with Bill Roth and Bob Foster for specs for Cushman tennis court repairs
- Based on advice from Mass Historical Commission, seek proposals for an archeological consultant to conduct a study at Cooke Park
- Coordinate BPW portion of Buzzards Bay Regatta event for this weekend
- Send email to local officials re: BPW update for Cooke Park
- Speak with DEP concerning draft permit meeting
- Coordinate our team for draft permit EPA meeting

Mr. Furtado – The Selectmen's office forwarded a complaint about an overabundance of memorial items at the memorial bench for Matt Lovegrove which is at the end of the Little Bay Bike Path.

Mr. Wotton – The bench serves as the memorial, allow more for a birthday or anniversary.

Mr. Durant – We should use good judgment, bring framed pictures here to pick up, don't throw away.

Mr. Furtado – I will contact the family and advise them items are not allowed.

Mr. Wotton – Weeds in center island all down Route 6, I would like to see it cleaned up. Also the light at 7 Eleven is still flickering.

Mr. Furtado – The light at 7 Eleven was fixed on Friday. I will call Mass DOT.

Mr. Hobson - Potholes on Sippican and Pequot. Scoticut Neck near Briercliffe the tree is still hanging over the road and cracked on the bottom. The Conservation Commission approved a second shell driveway apron for Earl's Marina; they can't approve a second opening. Is there a sign on the gate at recycle with the hours?

Mr. Furtado – No, it's on the gate at the bike path.

Mr. Silvia – What is the status on Ice House parking issue and fine?

Mr. Furtado – The parking issue was referred to the Planning Board. The fine was mailed out but has not been paid yet. We will send out a second notice.

Mr. Durant – The small playground at Cushman Park is full of holes and graffiti, it's an eyesore and a hazard. We should get that removed and eventually replaced.

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VIII. Set Date for the Next Meeting

Mr. Wotton motioned to hold the next meeting on August 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. Mr. Ristuccia seconded. Vote unanimous.

IX. Adjourn

Mr. Wotton motioned to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Kim Nogueira
Head Clerk