

Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:30 pm Town Hall, 40 Center Street Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Ann Richard at 6:30pm, in person

Present: Chairperson Ann Richard, Bruce Webb, Susan Spooner, Karen Gent, Wendy Drumm, Laura Gardner, John Pond and Tim Garcia

Chair Person-Welcome and Media Notification.

Land Acknowledgement read by Tim Garcia

## Minutes Past Meeting- Approved

Fairhaven TV now has closed captioning so text report should be available.

We took the agenda item out of order since we had the Tree Warden at our meeting.

Tree Warden met with the committee to discuss ideas about finding spots around town for trees this Fall. Ann and Bruce will share info to the committee on the types of trees and the streets that currently have no trees at all. Susan said that she would try to get some residents interested in having trees on their street and committing to the project.

**Kids Fest** is being held this year on Saturday, October 14 at FHS lawn. Ann will send out a schedule to committee members who have participated in the past and are willing to help. There are boxes and bins in the lobby of the Town Hall for community members to donate. We have already had many donations.

Wendy gave us an example of a **bird bath** that could be placed at the Town Hall under the AC units, as well as for residents to use. She will continue to research since there were some questions from committee members about the safety of birds getting water on the ground with predators around.

Bruce is speaking to Laura about the **Community Electrical Aggregation** and will update us at the next meeting.

There will be an article on **Special Town Meeting** about the nip Bottle ban. We will discuss this at the next meeting and take a vote. This was petitioned by local residents but does not qualify to be on the warrant and voted on according to legal council and the Town Administrator. Next meeting: TBD Special Town Meeting is Tuesday November 14, 2023 Members are welcome to join in person for these meetings in person or by Zoom.

