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**HISTORICAL COMMISSION**

Fairhaven Fire Station meeting room

146 Washington Street Fairhaven, MA 02719

February 5, 2020

**ATTENDANCE:** Wayne Oliveira, Gary Lavalette, Suzan Galpin, MJ Carvalho, and Vicki Oliveira

**GUESTS:** Mark Rees, Town Administrator, and Paul Foley, Town Planner

Chairman opened the meeting at 6:36.

Chairman Oliveira announced the meeting is being filmed by Cable Access.

Mr. Lavalette made a motion to approve the minutes of December 4, 2019. Seconded by Ms. Carvalho.

Chair read the financial report.

**ACADEMY**

Mr. Rees met with the Commission to update the commission on the academy ADA entrance project. He stated the project was started in 2017 but after many delays the project seems to be back on track.

Mr. Rees and Mr. Oliveira met to see if another architect could take over the project, but because of professional ethics, the new person would have to start over and start from the beginning.

Mr. Rees and Mr. Oliveira met with John Montano of Clearwater Architects and the meeting was very productive. Clearwater has come back with a revised proposal so now the project will be split up into two separate projects; the front door and the back ramp handicap entrance.

Mr. Rees said If the Commission signs the contract tonight, the project could be completed by July 2020.

Chairman Oliveira stated that the Commission should rescind the vote from the last meeting based on the ethics of signing with a new Architect.

Mr. Lavalette made a motion to rescind the vote from December 2019 to sever ties with Clearwater Architects due to the change in information and to authorize the Town administrator to enter into a contract with Clearwater Architects. Ms. Galpin seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Members discussed the advertising of the bid and ensuring the project is completed in a timely manner.

Mr. Oliveira said the shutters have been installed in the academy. Members agreed they looked nice.

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Members discussed creating landscaping that is a little more curb appealing for the front of the Academy. Ms. Carvalho is concerned that there are a lot of people there at the Huttleston Marketplace, with animals and large trailers that are ruining the lawn

Mr. Oliveira told the Commission the fire escape needs to be replaced on the second floor of the Academy and the painting on the building is peeling again.

**FIRE MUSEUM**

Nothing new to report. Chairman Oliveira will contact the contractor for the roof and ask him to pick up his plank and move the spare shingles inside.

**FORT PHOENIX**

Project at the Fort is completed, but have Mr. Oliveira will have G.B. Knowles come back in the spring to do some touch up.

Mr. Oliveira has spoken to the welding teacher at voke to have students fix the bunker door.

The historical marker is up but the tube is the wrong size and the company is sending the correct size.

**OLD STONE SCHOOL HOUSE**

Mr. Oliveira would like to apply for CPC money next year for some extensive renovations at the Old Stone School House.

**HOUSE PLAQUES**

Chairman Oliveira will contact Signature Signs in Westport to have them become the new vendor for the house plaques.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mr. Oliveira said the town pump on Union Street was put back today and it was rebuilt. Thank you to Tommy Thatcher for his hard work.

Mr. Oliveira went to a demo delay class that was put on by the Mass Historical Commission in Dartmouth. Dartmouth praised Fairhaven for all the work that has been done on the Demo Delay by-law.

Town Planner, Paul Foley said there is a grant workshop next week in Sandwich for anyone who is interested.

At 7:29 pm Ms. Carvalho made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Galpin seconded. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Vicki Oliveira*

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(Approved 3/4/2020)