

**Town of Fairhaven  
Board of Public Works Meeting  
June 6, 2022**

**Present**

Brian Wotton, Commissioner  
Robert Hobson, Commissioner  
Cameron Durant, Commissioner  
Marcus Ferro, Commissioner  
Anne Smith, Commissioner  
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent  
Rebecca Vento, Office Manager



**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Wotton called the meeting to order at 6:18 p.m.

**II. Routine Matters**

**A. Signing of Departmental Bills**

**III. Approval of Minutes**

**A. May 23, 2022**

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the minutes of May 23, 2022. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

**IV. Appointments**

**A. n/a**

**V. Item for Action**

**A. Indefinite Appointment to the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Committee – Vincent Furtado & Jeffrey Furtado**

Mr. Durant motioned to appoint Vincent Furtado & Jeffrey Furtado Indefinitely to the Mattapoissett River Valley Water District Committee. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

**B. Award of Goulart Memorial Bridge Repairs**

Mr. Furtado – As you know we had a boat damage the water line under the Goulart Memorial Bridge. We had a bid opening on May 13, 2022 and the lowest bidder was NEL Corporation. Tonight we would like to award the bid to them.

Mr. Hobson - I do not understand why the bid is \$120,000 and why the Town is responsible to pay for this? The owner of the boat should be responsible.

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Mr. Furtado - My concern is that the homes on West Island get water since one of our responsibilities at the BPW is to provide drinking water.

Mr. Hobson - If the insurance company does not cover this then we should go after the person who rented the mooring to the boat owner.

Mr. Ferro motioned to Award the Goulart Memorial Bridge Repair Project to NEL Corporation in the amount of \$119,385.00. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

**C. Ti-Sales, Inc., Water Meter & Advanced Meter Infrastructure, Payment # 4  
\$211,032.34**

Mr. Durant motioned to approve Payment #4 to Ti-Sales Inc. in the amount of \$211,032.34 for Water Meter & Advanced Meter Infrastructure. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

**D. Hart Engineering, West Island Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrades, Payment # 10  
\$85,243.55**

Mr. Ferro motioned to approve Payment #10 to Hart Engineering in the amount of \$85,243.55 for West Island Treatment Facility Upgrades. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

**E. Tighe & Bond, Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrades, Payment #1 \$27,000.00**

Mr. Furtado - This is part of the \$2,000,000 contract that we signed with Tighe and Bond for the upgrades to the Arsene Street Wastewater Facility.

Mr. Durant motioned to approve Payment #1 to Tighe & Bond in the amount of \$27,000.00 for Wastewater Treatment Facility Upgrades. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

**F. Sign Contract Agreement with Weston & Sampson for Backflow Prevention Device Testing**

Mr. Hobson motioned to Sign the Contract Agreement with Weston & Sampson for Backflow Prevention Device Testing from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2025. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

**G. Stantec Consulting Services Inc., Town Wide Sewer System Force Main Condition Assessment, Payment #13 \$11,991.89**

Mr. Durant motioned to approve Payment #13 to Stantec Consulting Services in the amount of \$11,991.89 for Town Wide Sewer System Force Main Condition Assessment. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

**VI. Tabled Matter**

**A. n/a**

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**VII. Public Comments / Open Forum**

**VIII. Old Business / New Business**

**A. Superintendent**

**Superintendent Report for June 6, 2022**

- Union negotiations
- Meet with Bristol County Mosquito re culverts
- Date set for arbitration
- Meet with Safe Routes to School - update on project
- Attend BBAC as Town Rep
- Complete and submit CZM Grant
- Meet with Paul Foley - re complete streets and shared streets
- Create powerpoints for Town meeting borrowing Articles
- Present powerpoints to cable
- Attend meeting re contamination status of landfill
- John and I meet with Eversource re streets to be done
- John schedules streets to be paved
- Town Counsel and our Insurance Rep contact boat owner's insurance to make claim for water main damage
- Sent correspondence to CPC re update skatepark award
- Additional barrels at Union Wharf
- Hoppy's cut

Mr. Furtado answered any questions that the Board had regarding the Superintendent Report.

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Mr. Furtado- In the past we have never hired summer help without a license. We have two applicants for the summer help but they do not have their license. I just want to make sure that the Board is ok with us waiving the licenses for this year.

The Board members all agreed to allow applicants for summer help to apply without a driver's license but have to submit a work permit.

**B. Board Members**

Ms. Smith - I was fortunate to take a tour of the Wastewater Treatment Plant. I look forward to going to see the West Island Plant. I think we should all go to West Island together to tour the plant.

Mr. Hobson - Any information about putting an antenna on the Sconticut Neck Water Tower? Union Wharf there are weeds that need to be taken care of. They are building houses just after Jerusalem Road will they be paying the betterment fee?

Mr. Furtado – Yes, they will be paying the betterment fee.

**C. Marine Resources Committee – BPW Related Matters**

Mr. Hobson- I have no new information because the last meeting was canceled.

**IX. Set Date for the Next Meeting**

Mr. Durant motioned to set the date for the next meeting on June 21, 2022 at 6:15 p.m. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

**X. Adjourn**

Mr. Durant motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. Mr. Ferro seconded. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rebecca L. Vento*

Rebecca Vento  
Office Manager

Minutes approved on June 21, 2022