

**Town of Fairhaven
Board of Public Works Meeting
October 17, 2022**

Present

Brian Wotton, Commissioner
Robert Hobson, Commissioner
Marcus Ferro, Commissioner
Anne Morton Smith, Commissioner
Travis Rapoza, Commissioner
Vincent Furtado, BPW Superintendent
Rebecca Vento, Office Manager
Robert Roderigues, Fairhaven Excavating
Amy Kobza, Southcoast Girls Softball
Pete Kobza, Southcoast Girls Softball
Norman Fredette, Norman's Enterprises Construction Corp.
Lev Bronstein, 104 Fir Street
David Hirsch, 104 fir Street



Mr. Ferro entered the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

I. Call to Order

Mr. Wotton called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Mr. Wotton reconvened from executive session to open session at 6:45 p.m.

II. Routine Matters

A. Signing of Departmental Bills

III. Approval of Minutes

A. September 27, 2022

Mr. Rapoza motioned to approve the minutes of September 27, 2022. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

B. September 27, 2022 – Executive Session A

Mr. Rapoza motioned to approve the minutes of September 27, 2022 – Executive Session. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

IV. Executive Session – Pursuant to MGL Ch.30A §21 (1)

6:00 To discuss the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health, rather than professional competence, of an individual, or to discuss the discipline or dismissal of, or complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual

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V. Appointments

6:30 Robert Roderiques, 114 Sconticut Neck Road, Driveway Waiver – Second Opening

Mr. Roderiques - We are looking to put in a second driveway on the Highland Avenue side of the property. I would like to ask for a waiver for an 18' opening on Highland Avenue.

Mr. Hobson - This property is going to be a variety store with an apartment above it?

Mr. Rodriques - I think originally it was going to be a store with two apartments above it. Now I believe it is going to be a two-family apartment. The width of the existing driveway is currently 14' and I would like to make it 18'.

Ms. Smith motioned to approve a second driveway at 114 Sconticut Neck Road with an 18' opening on Highland Avenue side. Mr. Rapoza seconded. Vote unanimous.

6:40 Amy Kobza, Softball at Livesey Park

Mr. Wotton – Ms. Kobza, Mr. Kobza, Mr. Furtado and I met at Livesey Park because they are looking to use Livesey Park for Southcoast Girls Softball and they would like to put a storage container there.

Mr. Furtado – I reached out to the Recreation Director and both of the fields at Livesey Park are available. The only issue is if the fields are not in good condition at Cushman, the school can move to Livesey.

Mr. Wotton - They are here tonight requesting permission to put a container at Livesey Park. They spoke with FYAA and they said that they could put a container back to back with their container that is currently there.

Mr. Rapoza motioned to approve the request for Southcoast Girls Softball to put a storage container at Livesey Park. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

7:00 Norman Fredette, Norman Enterprises Construction Corp. - New Water Drainlayer

Mr. Fredette - I demolished a house on Main Street and we are looking to relocate the water line into a mechanical room. I am here tonight to look to get on the drainlayers list.

Ms. Rapoza motioned to approve Norman Enterprise Construction Corp as a Water Drainlayer. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

7:15 Lev Bronstein, 104 Fir Street, Driveway Waiver – 21' Width & Pavers

Mr. Hirsch - We bought the house 4 years ago. The current driveway has crushed gravel and we are looking to resurface the current driveway with pavers and keep the opening 21' wide.

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Mr. Rapoza motioned to approve the driveway waiver at 104 Fir Street for a 21' wide opening with pavers. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

VI. Item for Action

**A. Ti Sales, Inc., Payment #6 Water Meter and Advanced Metering Infrastructure
\$69,139.12**

Mr. Rapoza motioned to approve Payment #6 in the amount of \$69,139.12 to Ti-Sales, Inc. for Water Meter and Advanced Metering Infrastructure. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

**B. Ti Sales, Inc., Payment #7 Water Meter and Advanced Metering Infrastructure
\$189,082.48**

Mr. Rapoza motioned to approve Payment #7 in the amount of \$189,082.48 to Ti-Sales, Inc. for Water Meter and Advanced Metering Infrastructure. Mr. Hobson seconded. Vote unanimous.

**C. Stantec Consulting Services, Town-Wide Sanitary Sewer Force Main Condition
Assessment, Payment #16 \$13,009.24**

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve Payment #16 in the amount of \$13,009.24 to Stantec Consulting Services for Town-Wide Force Main Condition Assessment. Mr. Rapoza seconded. Vote unanimous.

D. Antonio Albuquerque, 18 Point Street, Driveway Waiver 24' Opening

Mr. Furtado - This is the driveway waiver that I polled the Board last week via email because the property owners were looking for their occupancy permit. This is just the official approval for the driveway waiver.

Mr. Hobson motioned to approve the driveway waiver for a 24' opening at 18 Point Street. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

VII. Tabled Matter

A. n/a

VIII. Public Comments / Open Forum

IX. Old Business / New Business

A. Superintendent

Superintendent Report for October 17, 2022

- Attend to various weeding requests

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- Submit CPC Applications - Memorial Park and Bike Path Overlay
- BBC submits land purchase CPC
- Skatepark CPC modified to reflect ramp improvements with the prior approved surface design
- Becky and I attend meeting re legal invoices
- Attend MAWEA Training
- Fall Newsletter Completed
- Staff works on final logistics for HHW Day
- Attend various union negotiations
- Attend Insurance Advisory Committee Meeting
- Shared street work schedule for next week
- Meet with Town Counsel re West Island tie-in agreement
- Attend 40 R meeting
- Meet with MRV re Water Upgrade funding
- Chair monthly MRV Meeting
- Attend joint Selectboard/Fincom meeting - rep for Town meeting

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

B. Board Members

Mr. Hobson – When are they going to fix the temporary patches on Sconticut Neck Road?

Mr. Furtado - Within the next few weeks they will be fixing the patches and then they will eventually pave curb to curb.

Mr. Hobson - I met with John Medeiros regarding benches and wood at Livesey Park. I can meet with someone to show them exactly what he is looking for.

Ms. Smith - Do we want to revisit doing a survey asking the residents what they are looking for in the parks?

Mr. Furtado - Since we last met the Tree Warden purchased 60 trees that he is looking to plant in the parks. Just wanted to make sure that no one had any objections with this.

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Mr. Wotton – I have no objections as long as they are placing these trees along the perimeter of the park. I do have objections if he is looking to place these trees in the middle of a field. I would say 30 feet or less from the street is acceptable.

Mr. Furtado - I have a list in the office if you want to see the locations of where he is looking to plant the trees.

Mr. Rapoza - What is the policy when a contractor is removed from the approved list? How are they notified?

Mr. Furtado – Typically we send them two letters, one certified and one regular mail.

C. Marine Resources Committee – BPW related Matters

Mr. Hobson – We have not met since our last meeting because the last meeting was canceled.

X. Set Date for the Next Meeting

Mr. Hobson set the date for the next meeting on October 24, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

XI. Adjourn

Mr. Hobson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:04 p.m. and enter into executive session to discuss a Contractor Issue and to reconvene in open session. Ms. Smith seconded. Rollcall Vote: Mr. Wotton, Mr. Hobson, Ms. Smith and Mr. Rapoza in favor.

Mr. Rapoza motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Ms. Smith seconded. Vote unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Rebecca L. Vento

Rebecca Vento
Office Manager

Minutes approved on October 24, 2022