



Town of Fairhaven

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Town of Fairhaven Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes, 3 April 2023

Members Present – Pat Elliott, Lisa Plante, Bob Grindrod, Linda Gallant, Terry Szala, Steve Levesque, and Peter Gardner

Members Not Present – Claire Millette

Town of Fairhaven Staff Present – Anne Carreiro, Vinny Furtado, Cam Durant, Josh Crabb, Jeff Furtado

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Prior Meeting Minutes with approved by unanimous vote (7-0).

Motion to approve made by Bob Grindrod, seconded by Linda Gallant.

1. Discussion of warrant articles.
2. Paul Foley gave a presentation on CPC Article 11.
 - a. CPC Reserve Fund Balance is \$899K.
3. Recess from 7:06 to 7:09.
4. DPW salary amount is still not settled.
5. Discussion Hwy Dept OPEX.
 - a. Resurfacing
 - b. New Equipment
 - c. Sign Expense
6. Vote on Enterprise Fund Articles
 - a. Discuss quarterly water/sewer quarterly billing.
 - b. Discuss increase in water & sewer rates.
7. Vote on General Fund Capital Articles.
8. Discuss Fire Dept budget.
 - a. Reviewed staffing presentation.
 - b. Shift scheduling variations.
 - c. Discuss staffing levels.
 - i. Safety issues,
 - ii. Retention issues.
 - iii. Morale issues.
 - d. Discuss trailers.
 - e. Three new hires need to attend the fire academy.
 - f. Five new hires need to attend paramedic school.

- g. Long time goal of increased staffing to stabilize overtime.
- h. Town received a grant of \$295K for new ambulance.

9. Claire Millette arrived at 8:45.

- 10. Discussion of salary reserve with Cam Durant.
 - a. Non-union COLA & Wage Rebalancing.
 - b. Facility manager promotion discussion.
 - c. Clerical staff reclassification discussion.
 - d. Withdrawal from civil service for fire and police.
- 11. Vote on non-financial warrant articles.
- 12. Millicent library HVAC article has been removed.
- 13. Discussion of revolving funds.
- 14. Discussion of agenda for next meeting.
 - a. Vote on Fire Dept budget.
 - b. Vote on School Dept budget.
 - c. Vote on Salary Reserve article.

Article	Name	Decision	Motion	Second	Vote
5	FY Gen Fund Adj	Yes	Terry	Steve	8- 0
6B	Water Ent Fund	Yes	Terry	Steve	7- 0
6C	Sewer Ent Fund	Yes	Terry	Steve	7- 0
6D	Town Cable Ent Fund	Yes	Terry	Steve	7- 0
6E	School Cable Ent Fund	Yes	Terry	Steve	7- 0
7-1	Overlay Bike Path	IP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
7-7	Police Cruiser Replacement	Yes	Terry	Steve	8- 0
7-11	Brush Truck Replacement	IP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
7-14	Outdoor Fitness Park	IP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
13	Fire Dept Civil Service	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
14	Police Dept Civil Service	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
17	Appoint Health Agent	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
18	Amend Wetlands Bylaw	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
19	Amend Wetlands Bylaw	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
20	Amend Solid Waste Bylaw	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
21	Amend Alcohol Bev Bylaw	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
22	Citizen Petition Hard surface	IP	Terry	Steve	8- 0
23	Citizen Petition Street Discontinuance	YP	Terry	Steve	8- 0

Meeting adjourned at 9:50 by unanimous vote (8-0).

Motion to adjourn made by Terry Szala, seconded by Steve Levesque.

Meeting called back into session at 9:55.

Vote to approve \$5,000.00 transfer from Reserve Fund to DPW fuel budget.

Motion made by Terry Szala, seconded by Steve Levesque.

Approved by unanimous vote (8-0).

Meeting adjourned again at 10:00 by unanimous vote (8-0).

Motion to adjourn made by Terry Szala, seconded by Steve Levesque.

Submitted by Peter Gardner