



**FAIRHAVEN SELECT BOARD**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**May 6, 2023**

FAIRHAVEN TOWN CLERK  
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**Present:** Chair Leon Correy, Vice-Chair Charles Murphy Sr., Clerk Stasia Powers, Select Board member Keith Silvia, Select Board member Robert Espindola, and Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison.

**The meeting was videotaped by Cable access and Zoom meeting application.**

**Mr. Correy opened the Select Board meeting at 8:06AM**

**Preparation for Town Meeting:**

Ms. Ellison reviewed the reason for the meeting is to prepare for today's Town Meeting and address any issues or concerns that may have come up.

Mr. Espindola asked if the memo from Town Counsel would be made available to Town Meeting Members. Ms. Ellison advised the Board that Ms. White will be attending Town Meeting to address any issues. There is no additional debate scheduled to take place by the Board on articles.

Mr. Andrew Jones, Precinct 2 Town Meeting member addressed the Board regarding concerns on Article 20 and the proposed amendment to the bylaw. He would like an indefinite postponement be considered and has discussed the issue with members of the Select Board and Conservation Commission. He will present an alternate motion on the floor. He sent it to the Town Moderator and is looking for support from the Board on the alternate motion.

Discussion ensued regarding the opportunity to discuss Article 20 and receive feedback from the Conservation Commission and Town Counsel's direction as well as general processes for debate and meeting protocols.

Ms. Ellison advised the Board the information on the articles has been public for over a month and online and they have had the opportunity to review and discuss. The articles are now the responsibility of Town Meeting members. Through this process, every warrant article can be reconsidered and it is up to Town Meeting members to address on the floor today.

Mr. Correy addressed the Board regarding emails last night sent to Town Counsel outside of established Select Board protocols.

Mr. Espindola stated his concern was whether the Conservation Commission had been made aware and had an opportunity to be heard.

**Motion:** Mr. Espindola motioned to reconsider Article 20. Ms. Powers seconded. The motion does not pass (0-5-0)

**Recommendation of Warrant articles:**

Ms. Ellison advised the Board the only article they had not made a recommendation on was Bills of Prior Year.

**Motion:** Mr. Espindola motioned to recommend adoption of Article 4, Bills of Prior Year for one-thousand, five-hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$1,575) Cabot Risk Strategies, LLC. Ms. Powers seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

**Meeting adjourned at 8:27AM**

*Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Select Board Clerk (ah)*