

Fairhaven Historical Commission
Minutes
November 1, 2023

Present: Wayne Oliveira, MJ Carvalho, Michael Kelly, Rick Martin, Natalie Mello, Keith Silvia (Select Board Liaison) Cam Durant (Staff Liaison)

Meeting called to order at 6:32pm.

Minutes: Motion to approve minutes from October 4, 2023 (MJ Carvalho, R Martin). Motion passed unanimously. **Financial Report:** See attached Budget Balance Sheet.

Commission Bills: Commissioners signed several bills. \$569.98 to Eversource and Nick's Services for lighting at the firehouse; \$247.10 to Kenny's Farm Stand from the private gift account for the cobblestones around the new street lamps.

Correspondence: Sue Loo sent a letter to confirm that the Rogers School is still in the queue for the National Register of Historic Places.

Chair Report: The 1937 Ford fire truck is currently at GNBVT in the automotive shop – might need a new gas tank.

Town Administrator Update: Town Administrator Angie Ellison and Town Facilities Manager Kevin Fornier presented an invoice for fixing the missing railing on the fire escape at the Academy Building in the amount of \$2875.00. Motion: Appoint Michael Kelly as the liaison to the Town Administrator (N Mello, MJ Carvalho). Motion passed unanimously.

Academy Building: Contractor secured: RP Valois from Dartmouth. Front door work begins in October.

Fire Museum:

- Washington Street – Nothing to report.
- Spring Street – Nothing to report.

Fort Phoenix: Nothing to report.

Old Stone Schoolhouse: The site has been open 4 times to the public and about 150 people have visited. It will be open 2 weekends in November and 1 in December – perhaps more depending upon the weather. Work has begun by the DPW

Committee Reports:

- CPC: Nothing to update.
- Lagoa Committee: MJ Carvalho is frustrated by lack of attendance at the committee meetings. She is seeking new members.

Street Lamp Project: Nils Isaksen stated that the project is complete. A lighting ceremony was held on October 17th. **Next meeting:** Wednesday, December 6, 2023

Motion to Adjourn at 8:09pm (N Mello, MJ Carvalho). Motion passed unanimously.