



**Fairhaven Marine Resources Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
May 1, 2025**

**Present:** Chair, Michael McNamara, Vice-Chair Andy Jones, David Hebert, Robert Pink, and Harbormaster Timothy Cox.

**Absent:** Michelle Potter, Robert Hobson, Andrew Saunders

The meeting was videotaped by Cable Access and Zoom meeting application.

Mr. McNamara opened the meeting at 6:30 pm.

**Approval of Minutes from April 3, 2025:**

**Motion: Mr. Pink motioned to approve minutes. Mr. Hebert seconded, Vote (4-0-0)**

**Review of Harbor Line zoning:** A better map showing the Fairhaven coastline was shared. Mr. Cox described the locations and businesses that occupy the areas. Discussion ensued regarding the line and the committee agreed that it looked good where it stands. A Harbor Plan meeting will be held at the Town Hall in Fairhaven sometime in May.

**BPW representative Marine Resources project update:** Mr. Hobson was absent. Mr. Cox put in a work request to the BPW for holes to be dug for the osprey nest that Jimmy Moroux has built. Talk of an osprey cam was discussed as a possibility. Mr. Cox also asked for that parking lot to be graded.

**Hoppy's Landing maintenance update:** As of Wednesday, the dock has been put back in the water and is usable. A few unexpected repairs arose but were fixed or replaced. Mr. Pink donated a new hook and lever system to raise the gangway which is much easier to use with one person.

**Harbormaster updates:** FOTH will be giving us updated news about the dredging schedule for West Island. Two Pilings at Union Wharf need to be replaced and a few boards on the dock need to be addressed. We will be applying for a S.E.C. grant after July 1<sup>st</sup> to repair the remaining section of dock. Discussion ensued regarding various possibilities for the future of Fairhaven's waterfront.

**Shellfish updates:** Round Cove will be sampled for testing on Monday and should reopen around May 12<sup>th</sup>. Funds from New Bedford should be coming soon and Fairhaven may receive additional funds because Dartmouth may not be interested after all. At least 1,000 bushels will be planted in North Cove this year.

**Any other business not reasonably anticipated 48 hours prior to the posting of this meeting:**  
None

**Next meeting will be held June 5, 2025 at 6:30 pm. If any unforeseen circumstance comes up prior, an earlier meeting will be scheduled.**

**Motion: Mr. Jones motioned to adjourn. Mr. Pink seconded. Vote (4-0-0)**  
**The meeting adjourned at 7:46 pm.**

**Respectively submitted,**  
**Sharon Mills**  
**Recording Secretary**