

**Fairhaven Commission on Disability
Meeting Minutes April 9, 2026
Held at Town Hall, 40 Center St, Fairhaven, MA 02719**

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Present: Krystal Lunn (Chair), Pamela Roy, Eleanor Chew (secretary), Randy Durnigan, Annemarie Chagnon, Kerri Cummins, and Keith Silvia (Select Board Liaison)

ZOOM: Donna Maino Lavallo Martha Reed (Staff Liaison)

Absent: Cara Viveros

Guests: None

All votes were done by roll call vote.

I. Call to Order:

Krystal Lunn, chair, opened the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the minutes of the January meeting was made by Pam and seconded by Randy. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report:

Krystal reported there was no update as we have not spent any money.

IV. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Meeting With Audrey Matthews from SPREDD: Audrey was unable to join us so Eleanor shared what Audrey wanted to know about accessibility and any concerns we had for the Open Space and Recreation Plan. Two comments were shared: Cushman Park is not accessible due to parking and the playground needs to be updated.
- b. Disability Pride Month: A motion to request the hanging of the COD banner at town hall from July 6-31 was made by Annemarie and seconded by Pam. It passed unanimously.
- c. Gift Account: Krystal shared that we could announce the gift account on our Face Book page.
- d. Snow Removal By-Laws: It was decided to hold off on this discussion as there is a by-law being proposed at town meeting.
- e. Autism Awareness Month: Annemarie suggested that we share stories and advice from members in the community about their personal experiences with autism.
- f. FY 2027 Budget: Krystal said our budget for next year is \$450.00

V. Old Business

- a Neighborhood News: Table

b Adult Bike: There is an issue with storage and Martha said she would find a place to house it.

c. Handicapped Spots At Hastings And The High School: Krystal shared there were emergency vehicles in the HP spots at Hastings and their response was the spots are not properly labeled asking how we address this. She stated that she reached out to the TA and he was reaching out to that department. Annemarie said the BPW was going to paint all the spots in town and how do we educate others in town about HP spaces. Can we do more outreach and education, a community event, reach out to MOD?

d. Disability Pride Event: A motion was made to have Eleanor, Krystal and Kerri serve as the working group for this event was made by Eleanor and seconded by Annemarie. It passed unanimously.

e. Spring Car Show: Discussion took place as to how we can could do a car show at Grimshaw Park or the COA. Eleanor asked why we wanted to recreate the wheel when others are doing this and how we could educate them instead. Krystal will reach out to the NFIA about their car show.

f. Second Annual Beach Day: Tabled until we see if the beach is open and has lifeguards.

g. NFIA Summer Events: A motion was made to participate at the Marketplace Place at Livesey Park on June 6 by Pam and seconded by Kerri. It passed unanimously.

h. Harbor Fest: Table until more information is available.

i. Disability Pride Event/Summit: Discussed in a previous agenda item

VI Public Comment: No public comment.

VII. Questions/Comments From Board Members: Eleanor asked if we could HP spaces and trash barrels at town hall could be on the next agenda.

VIII Next Meeting Date: A motion was made by Pam and seconded by Randy that we meet on May14, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

IX. Adjournment: Adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eleanor Chew
Secretary