



# Town of Fairhaven

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Town Hall- 40 Centre Street- Fairhaven, MA 02719

## Town of Fairhaven Finance Committee

Meeting Minutes, 23 April 2026

**Members Present** – Pat Elliott, Bob Grindrod, Ken Blanchard, Claire Millette, Patty Pacella, Steve Riley, Steve Levesque, Linda Gallant, James Souza, David Patterson (late), and Peter Gardner.

Meeting called to order at 6:33pm

- a. Approval of Prior Minutes
  - i. Motion – Claire Millette
  - ii. Second – Bob Grindrod
  - iii. Adopted 10 – 0 (David late)
- b. Discussion of Town Administrator’s Budget Memo
  - i. Town Employee Headcount FY20 to FY25
  - ii. Net School Spending FY21 to FY25
  - iii. Town Beach Lifeguard Staffing
  - iv. Town Beach Permit Increase
  - v. Affordable Housing Trust Debt Payments
  - vi. Revised State House Local Aid Increase
  - vii. Change in Override Amount due to Local Aid increase
  - viii. Discussion of Town

Article	Name	Decision	Motion	Second	Vote	Note
8	Public Safety	Reconsider	Claire	Bob	11 - 0	
8	Public Safety	Adopt	Claire	Bob	11 - 0	\$0
9	Animal Control	Reconsider	Claire	Bob	11 - 0	
9	Animal Control	Adopt	Claire	Bob	11 - 0	\$0
9	Fire Dept OT	Reconsider	Claire	Bob	8 - 3	
9	Fire Dept OT	Adopt	Claire	James	6 - 5	\$15,561
9	School Dept	Reconsider	James	Bob	8 - 3	
9	School Dept	Adopt	Steve R	James	9 - 2	\$0
8	School Dept	Reconsider	Claire	Bob	11 - 0	
8	School Dept	Adopt	Claire	Bob	8 - 3	

Meeting adjourned at 8:35pm

Submitted by Peter Gardner