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Meet the candidates



Fairhaven Select Board candidates listen to the moderator at the beginning of their segment during the Fairhaven Government Access Meet the Candidates Night on 3/24/22 in the Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium, L-R: Vicki Oliveira, Derek Frates, and moderator Wayne Oliveira; Select Board incumbent Stasia Powers, Leon Correy, Cameron Durant, Cathy Melanson, Charlie Murphy. Voters will pick three for a newly expanded board on 4/4/22. *Photo by Beth David*



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Judge Murray Gurfein, Pentagon Papers case, June 17, 1971:

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From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —
A day late and many dollars short.

VOTE! VOTE! VOTE!

This Monday, 4/4 (page 3), Fairhaven will vote on local elections. We have three contested races. Please get out and vote. I hope you have been reading this paper to find out



Beth David, Publisher

about the candidates. You can watch the whole candidates night, too. This is election of the big change, from a three member Select Board to a five member board. And we have five people running for the three seats. So...get out and VOTE!

Events are really picking up. Concerts, parades, all kinds of cool stuff.

And, our only local (Dartmouth is local) Oscar winner is going to be filming a movie in New Bedford and Fairhaven. How cool is that? (see page 4). And, another movie is filming on Town Beach (see page 19)

Yeah, the SB did other business, but it got late and I ended up kind of skimping a bit. Sorry, we'll get to it next week, I hope. But...we have an election, too.

Should I talk about the "Slap Heard Round the World?" Ugh...I'm not sure what's worse. Watching a couple of unkempt, Wal-Mart clothed drunks duke it out, or watching two relatively good looking men in gazillion dollar suits get violent. Will Smith slapped Chris Rock for being an asshat. Well, that's what comedians are. They offend people. It's in the job description. Mr. Macho going to slap someone who made a lousy joke about the wife is an idiot. Besides all the sexism and patrarchical patronizing, insulting, plain old foolishness of the move, just imagine if Chris Rock had decided to be Mr. Macho back and decided to chase down the guy who hit him and start a brawl on the Oscars stage?

What is wrong with you people? You don't hit someone for saying stupid stuff. YOU...JUST...DON'T.

Don't do that.

Idiots. Ugh. I'll opine on the sexism of it some, other time. Gotta get this baby to bed!

Glory to Ukraine! Glory to the Heroes!

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CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

Voters to decide this Monday, 4/4, in Fairhaven

By Beth David **Editor**

Fairhaven's annual election is this Monday, 4/4. Polls will be open from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

This is the year the Select Board will increase from three to five members. Voters will be asked to vote for three of the five candidates on the ballot. The top vote-getter will hold the seat for three years, the second will need to run for re-election in two years, and the third place person will need to run again next year.

The five candidates are incumbent Stasia Powers, Leon Correy III, Cameron Durant, Cathy Melanson, Charles K. Murphy Sr.

The Board of Health also has a contested race, with long time incumbent Peter DeTerra challenged by newcomer Heidi Hacking.

Three people are running for two seats on the Planning Board: Kevin Grant, Andrew Romano, Sharon Simmons.

There are no other contested elections on the ballot.

Acting town clerk Linda Fredette is running for her seat; for School

Committee incumbents Kyle Bueno and Erik Andersen are on the ballot unopposed; for Commissioner of Trust Funds, Barbara Acksen is running for re-election unopposed, and Louise Ponte is running to finish an expired term she was appointed to fill; Anne Smith is the only peson on



the ballot for a seat on the Board of Public Works; and Gary Souza is the only person on the ballot for one seat on the Housing Authority.

Voters will also vote for Town Meeting members in their precinct.

Where do I vote?

The Town of Fairhaven Precinct Boundary Map can be found at (https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/ sites/g/files/vyhlif3131/f/uploads/

fairhaven2010.pdf). This map will be updated with the 2020 Census Reprecincting information as soon as we receive the final approved information from the State.

- Precinct one: Town Hall, 40 Center
- Precincts two and three: Elizabeth Hastings Middle School, 30 School Street
- Precinct four: Fire Station Meeting Room, 146 Washington Street
- Precincts five and six, Recreation Center, 227 Huttleston Avenue

For information on registering to vote, visit https://www.fairhavenma.gov/town-clerk/pages/voterresources or call the Town Clerk at (508) 979-4023 ext. 3

For more information Fairhaven's local election, including sample ballots, visit https://www. fairhaven-ma.gov/town-clerk/pages/ election-resources or call the Town Clerk at 508-979-4023 ext. 3.

The Fairhaven Council on Aging is providing transportation services to seniors in need. Call 508-979-4029 at least one day in advance to set up a ride.



Selectboard approves summer events, including movie shoot

By Beth David Editor

The serious business of the Fairhaven Select Board on 3/28/22 was a bit overshadowed by the appearance of location professionals for a Paramount Pictures movie to be partly filmed in Fairhaven. "Finestkind" was written by Academy Award winner and Dartmouth native Brian Helgeland, who will also be directing the film, according to the IMBD listing.

Supervisor and Location Manager Ryan Cook presented dates and locations to the board, asking for advice and guidance on getting permits and cooperation from other town departments.

Mr. Cook said there expect to be filming at seven locations, some private properties and some public.

The crew expects to be at Rasputin's Tavern for a total of four days, two at the end of April and two at the end of May (some dates changed from the meeting packet information); they will be at Moriarty's Liquors, two private homes, the bike path at the corner of Church and Main Streets, Fort Phoenix, and Union Wharf.

The story is set in New Bedford, and is about "two brothers from opposite ends of the track who are reunited as adults over one fateful summer," according to materials provided to the board from the location managers.

The brothers get involved with a Boston crime syndicate and a woman is caught in the middle.

Mr. Cook told the board that Mr. Helgeland wrote this movie more than 20 years ago, so it is a "real passion project."

Mr. Cook noted that Mr. Helgeland worked on fishing boats locally.

Mr. Cook told the board that his team will reach out to neighbors so they know what is going on before the disruption to the neighborhood begins. Mostly, he said, the disruption will be traffic related, parking related, as they will need to block off streets.

Most neighbors are supportive, he said, and disruption is only for a day or two.

Union Wharf is one of the "more complicated pieces," he said.

They will be using the boat the "Sandra Jane" which is homeported in Fairhaven.

"That is our hero's boat," said Mr. Cook, although they will be renaming it

The scenes there will include loading the boat, getting supplies, ready, etc.

Harbormaster Tim Cox, said he was okay with the crew taking over the wharf, but had a concern about parking. There is no where else to send vehicles that use Union Wharf, he said, except the street.

Mr. Cook said vehicles could park in the other parking lot, but either way, if there is a stray vehicle, he said they could work around it. Foot traffic will also be allowed for boat access.

Mr. Cook said he understood that of crew and boat owners need to have access to working boats.

At Fort Phoenix, a scene includes a character watching the fishing boats go out and return.

Mr. Cook told the board that Mr. Helgeland wrote this movie more than 20 years ago, so it is a "real passion project."

It is unclear if the famous tree will be included in the shot.

"You couldn't have picked a better spot to watch fishing boats go out," said SB member Stasia Powers.

Mr. Cook said he was here last summer to look around, but noted that Mr. Helgeland grew up around here so he knows what he wants.

SB chairperson Bob Espindola asked if Fairhaven and New Bedford would be named in the movie or if the names would change. Mr. Cook said the two would definitely be named.

Mr. Cook said he is also arranging to have the Fairhaven-New Bedford swing bridge closed to vehicle traffic for a whole day.

Mr. Espindola also asked what would happen if they came across a boat owner who was "resistant."

Mr. Cook said he understood they might not be able to interrupt a trip for a fishing boat.

"At the end of the day, we have to

figure it out," said Mr. Cook. "We're creative folks. If we can't figure it out, we need to get a new line of work."

The crew is about 80 people, with light trucks and sound, etc., so there will be a lot of activity at each location.

Mr. Cook said he would have more details in a week or two when the technical crew arrives to scout out the locations. The will have more detail on where lighting and other equipment will go. They will provide that information to the police and fire departments, board of public works, and any other officials who need it.

Harbormaster Tim Cox will be the point person, especially for the waterfront locations.

The board voted to support the project and will expect the crew to return soon with more details. Shooting is scheduled to start in about three weeks.

"You realize we fire those cannons," said Mr. Espindola to Mr. Cook during the Fort Phoenix discussion, and clearly Mr. Cook did not realize that.

Mr. Cook said he would be here on Memorial Day weekend, when they are fired during the encampment, and looked forward to being here in summer.

Mr. Espindola was sure to note that we do not fire real cannonballs from the cannons.

In other business, the board approved use of town hall for the Fairhaven Improvement Association to hold summer concerts on Thursdays from July 14 through August 11. The concerts have not been held for to years due to the pandemic.

The July 4 parade is also back on track. The day will begin with the raising of the Big Flag at Fairhaven High School at 8:30 a.m., followed by the antique car cruise to Cushman Park to meet up with the start of the parade.

The parade route will be from Cushman Park on the Green Street side and continue to Fort Phoenix for a ceremony and the firing of the cannons at 10 a.m.

Organizers are asking for participants as well as for people to line the parade route.

Contact Veterans Agent Brad Fish at 508-979-4023, Ext. 6; or bfish@fairhaven-ma.gov for details.

AROUND TOWN HAPPENINGS

WIIA Cand night

The West Island Improvement Association presents Candidates Night at the Community House, 41 Causeway Road, West Island, Fairhaven, on Thurs., 3/31, at 7 p.m. All are welcome.

FHS Drama Club

The Fairhaven High School Drama Club will present the musical "Into the Woods," its first production since the pandemic hit in 2020.

Thurs., 3/31–Sat., 4/2 at 7:30 p.m., and Sun., 4/3 at 2 p.m. This year's director is former FHS student Marisa Rebelo. For tickets, visit https://fairhaven-public-schools.ticketleap.com/into-the-woods \$15/adults, \$13/students, \$13/seniors.

"Into the Woods" is a musical fantasy that takes a twist on some classic fairy tales by the Brothers Grimm, complete with witches and curses. Music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim.

Fort Lot Closed

CBeginning Monday, March 21, 2022, and continuing through Friday, April 1, 2022, the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) will implement a closure of the main parking lot at Fort Phoenix State Reservation at the corner of Green Street and Beacon Street in the Town of Fairhaven to accommodate resurfacing operations and curb installation work.

The smaller parking lot at the corner of Fort Street and Beacon Street, and the auxiliary parking lot on the east end of the property will remain open to the public. Traffic patterns will be clearly marked, and a police detail will be on site.

Rabies Clinics

Town of Fairhaven will hold two Rabies clinics. \$15, cash only. All animals must be leashed or in a carrier.

April 3: Capeway Veterinary Hospital, 171 Bridge St., Fairhaven, 8– 10 a.m.

April 10: New England Animal Hospital, 66 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven, 10 a.m.–Noon.

Sponsored by the Board of Health: 508-979-4023, Ext. 125 or BOH@Fairhaven-ma.gov

EFS Trail Day

EFS Trail Spruce-Up Day. Please join us as we clean up the East Fairhaven School Trail for all to enjoy. Sat., 4/9, 10 a.m. to noon.

The EFS Trail, located at the Northwest corner of East Fairhaven School is a hiking trail, an outdoor classroom, a StoryWalk trail, science classroom and more.

Please bring your rakes, gloves and yard equipment. Contact Emily with any questions, 508-441-1778, or email CHOO1783@DiscoverChampions.com

SAVE THE DATES:

Easter Egg Hunt

The North Fairhaven Improvement Association invites the public to join us for our Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Sat., 4/26, 9 a.m. SHARP, Livesey Park, Fairhaven/Glenhaven St., behind the Oxford School.

Children from toddler to age 12 are invited to participate. Categories are: Toddler to 4; 5–8; 9–12. Bring your Easter basket and come out to welcome the Easter Bunny! FREE.

West Island 5K

Sun., 4/24. 5K race 11:00 a.m., Kids Mile Fun Run, 10:00 a.m., 41 Causeway Rd., West Island, Fairhaven

The Fairhaven High School Cross Country program benefits from this event, run on a US Track and Field certified course. Entry fees for the 5K range from \$15 to \$25. Kids Run: \$5. For more information visit http://westisland5k.org, or email westisland5k@yahoo.com.

5K Walk/Run

Register now for our 5K Walk/Run on Sat., 5/7/22, at Ft. Phoenix State Reservation, Fairhaven. Registration Begins 8:00 am Race Begins 9:00 am. \$15 Registration fee includes event T-shirt. T-shirts are limited, register early.

For more info and to register, visit our website at www.NemasketGroup. org Donations Appreciated.

Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Male; 1st, 2nd & 3rd Female; Largest Team; Largest Fundraiser.

Refreshments will be on site and police detail will be present to ensure the safety of our participants.

The Nemasket Group, Inc. offers personalized, flexible supports to families and individuals with disabilities to live, work, and develop relationships within our communities.

Vax Clinic

Booster vaccine clinic, Wed., 4/13, 2–6 p.m., Fairhaven Council on Aging/Senior Center, 229 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven. Pfizer vaccine will be offered.

Sponsored by Fairhaven Health Department and Southcoast Community Wellness Program. Call the Fairhaven Health Department at 508-979-4023, Ext. 125, or visit https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/boardhealth

FHS 60th Reunion

IT'S HAPPENING!!!

The Fairhaven High School Class of 1960 will be holding it's 60th class reunion FINALLY after a two year delay because of the pandemic.

The reunion banquet is planned for Saturday, June 25, 2022 at the Reservation Golf Club, Reservation Rd., Mattapoisett. Festivities will begin at 4 p.m., class photo at 5:45 p.m. and buffet dinner at 6:30 p.m. More information about the reunion banquet and weekend activities will be sent out to classmates in May. SAVE THE DATE!

Homecoming Fair After a two year hiatus due to

After a two year hiatus due to Covid, the Fairhaven Improvement Association's 44th Annual Homecoming Fair is scheduled for Saturday 6/25/22. The Annual Homecoming Fair has long been Fairhaven's largest and most popular event with 175 craft and food vendors, an art show and all day live entertainment.

"We have missed our vendors, volunteers and the many town departments who help us put on the Fair," said Barbara Acksen Chairperson of the Homecoming Fair Committee. "Most of all we have missed the community. Everyone has missed the opportunity for connection with others in a fun and joyful atmosphere. The Fair has long provided that sense of community and all of us on the Committee are excited to be working on restoring it."

Applications for the Fair are currently available at the Town Hall, the Millicent Library, and the Tourism Office. Applications are also available at https://www.facebook.com/FairhavenImprovementAssociation or http://fairhavenimprovement.org

HAPPENINGS OVERTO

Food Drop

United Way of Greater New Bedford is hosting the Annual Hunger Heroes Project: Spring Edition. Families will be volunteering together to assemble 1,000 meal packs for local kids to have over School Vacation week. Packs will include grab and go items such as granola bars and fruit cups as well as low prep meal options such as mac & cheese. All meal packs will be distributed by school districts in Greater New Bedford.

In preparation for the event, United Way is partnering with Fun 107 and WBSM for the Hunger Heroes Food Drop. Community members are encouraged to pick up a few items off our shopping list to donate.

What we need: Cereal, Granola Bars, Boxed Mac & Cheese, Fruit and Applesauce Cups, Peanut Butter, Jelly

We ask that all items are the average size, not the family/value size. No glass

Sat., 4/2, 10 am - noon, **Buttonwood Park Warming House, 1** Oneida St. New Bedford

Science Cafe

Please join us for New Bedford Science Café! Tues., 4/5, from 6 to 8 p.m., The Vault Music Hall & Pub, 791 Purchase St., New Bedford

Open to everyone. Free, save for the beer! No registration necessary.

Our guest Dr. Ann Partridge, Vice Chair of Medical Oncology at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute, will discuss "New and Evolving Strategies for Breast Cancer Prevention Treatment."

Breast cancer, the most common cancer in women, is responsible for 40,000 deaths annually in the U.S. and is the #1 cause of cancer-related deaths in young women. As Ann will relate, improved risk stratification, prevention and early detection strategies are on the horizon. Exciting new treatments due to advances in molecular biology & immunology are dramatically improving the outcome for many patients.

Ann is the founder/director of Dana-Farber's Program for Young Women With Breast Cancer. Married to Mayor Jon Mitchell, this First Lady is proud to call New Bedford home.

We ask those who join us to be vaccinated. Facemasks are strongly recommended.

For more information about New Bedford Science Café, please visit: https://newbedfordsciencecafe.weebly .com/ or like us at: https://www. facebook.com/groups/NewBedford ScienceCafe/

Movie FR

The Z and Cinema New Bedford present Ukraine's official selection for the 2021 Academy Awards, Atlantis, to benefit The Immigrants' Assistance Center in New Bedford.

A prize-winner at the Venice Film Festival and Ukraine's official selection for the 2021 Academy Awards, Atlantis is a gorgeous and visionary sci-fi drama. Eastern Ukraine, 2025. A desert unsuitable for human habitation. Water is a dear commodity brought by trucks. A Wall is being built-up on the border. Sergiy, a former soldier, is having trouble adapting to his new reality. He meets Katya while on the Black Tulip mission dedicated to exhuming the past. Together, they try to return to some sort of normal life in which they are also allowed to fall in love again.

Pay what you want from \$5, \$10, \$24. Visit https://www.zeiterion.org/ events/atlantis-film or call 508-994-2900

Bunny ShootFood, fun prizes! The New Bedford Rifle and Revolver Club, 246 Bolton St., New Bedford, will sponsor a Bunny Shoot on Sun., 4/10 from noon to 4 p.m. No...no actual bunnies are harmed in this event, honest.

All ages are accepted, no license required. Door prizes, caravan auction, 50/50 raffle.

All profits benefit Troop 3 for camp scholarships.

Cost: \$1 per target; 3 shots/target. Visit http://www.nbrrc.com/ clubevents.html email orsecretary@nbrrc.com; 508-990-2523.

ARPA Investments

Mayor Jon Mitchell, elected and city officials, and neighborhood and business leaders announces the City's first investment of ARPA funding, in a program that offers grants up to \$40,000 for small businesses to upgrade their storefronts.

The Enhanced Façade Improvement Program is designed to revitalize commercial neighborhoods, stimulate private investment and customer patronage, and preserve and beautify New Bedford's commercial districts.

The program enables eligible commercial property owners. tenants, and nonprofit organizations to receive a grant of up to \$40,000 for eligible commercial façade improvements. Applicants are required to provide a 25% match of the total award. Eligible improvements include replacement or restoration of original architectural details; signs and awnings mounted to the building façade; new storefront construction within an existing building; window replacement and window framing; painting and/or residing of buildings; exterior lighting, and more.

The City has budgeted up to \$1.5 million in ARPA funding for the program. It will exponentially expand previous storefront improvement programs, which have been funded by community block development grants and had a maximum award of \$2,000. Prior programs also had no eligibility for nonprofits. Businesses across the city are eligible to apply for the enhanced program, provided they are in industries disproportionately affected by the pandemic.

Businesses, commercial property owners, nonprofit organizations and other eligible entities can download a program application on the City's ARPA website: www.newbedfordma.gov/arpa.

Aorean Art Exhibit

The New Bedford Whaling Museum, 18 Johnny Cake Hill, NB, announced that the first-ever American exhibition of the work of Domingos Rebêlo, one of the premier modernist painters of the 20th century, will be presented at the Whaling Museum beginning March 31, 2022 through September 22, 2022.

The Azorean Spirit: The Art of Domingos Rebêlo will be the seminal exhibition of the work of Domingos Rebêlo (1871-1971). Organized by his grandson, researcher and Guest Curator Jorge Rebêlo, the exhibition together over brings seventy paintings and works on paper from collections in continental Portugal and the Azores.

For more information on the exhibition and the surrounding events, visit https://www.whalingmuseum.org/ exhibition/domingos-rebelo/

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Recipe of the Week

Shoofly Pie

Dough for single-crust pie *For the filling:*

1/2 cup packed brown sugar

1/2 cup molasses

1 large egg, room temperature

1-1/2 teaspoons all-purpose flour

1/2 teaspoon baking soda

1 cup boiling water

1 large egg yolk, room

temperature, lightly beaten

For the topping:

1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour 3/4 cup packed brown sugar

3/4 teaspoon baking soda Dash of salt

6 tablespoons cold butter, cubed

Roll dough to fit a 9-inch pie plate. Trim and flute the edges before refrigerating for 30 mins.

Preheatoven to 425°. Mix brown sugar, molasses, egg, flour, and baking soda together. Slowly stir in boiling water, allowing it to cool completely.

Line the unpricked crust with foil and fill with pie weights like dried beans or rice. Bake on the lower rack for 15 minutes. Remove the foil and weights then brush the crust with egg yolk. Bake for an additional 5 minutes. Allow the crust to cool on a rack. Reduce the oven setting to 350°.

Whisk together the first four topping ingredients in a bowl. Cut in the butter until it's crumbly. Add the filling to the crust and sprinkle the topping evenly. Cover the edge of the pie with foil before placing it in the oven.

Bake for about 45-50 minutes until the filling is set and golden brown. Cool on a rack.

Serve and enjoy!

Dear Frankie



Who Does He Think He Is?

Dear Frankie,
Billy is a newcomer to the park.

Recently, He and I became friends. Several of my friends at the park don't like him. They think he is loud

and rough around the edges. He is, but he is also hysterically funny. He tells better jokes than the comedians on TV.

One friend said she thought Billy had a nerve coming to our park and wondered why he didn't go to the park in his neighborhood on the other side of town.

When I asked Pebble what he thought about what the dogs said about Billy, he said, "Don't you get what they are telling you; Billy comes from a poor neighborhood. He isn't refined and classy like the dogs like us."

Pebble also said that if I continued hanging out with Billy, it might cost me a few friends and damage my reputation. I was floored. Is it true that someone's reputation is based on your friend's zip code?

Sandy

Dear Sandy,

Sadly, some dogs are social climbers. They are known to seek friendships with dogs who live in the best neighborhoods in town, have prestigious parents, and attend fancy doggie daycares. Having the right friends and being a member of the incrowd, makes these dogs feel

important. Often, they are name droppers. They work these friends' names into their conversations to impress others that they are socially connected.

As for Pebble, I think he was using scare tactics to get you to dump Billy. He and his friends may be miffed that you have chosen to spend more time with Billy and less with them. Some are probably bewildered why you would befriend a dog like Billy.

They don't realize that many famous and accomplished dogs and people came from meager beginnings. For example, Laika, the first dog in space, was a Moscow Street dog; and Abraham Lincoln, who was very poor when he was a kid, became president.

I'm so glad you have chosen a friend like Billy. There aren't many who can say they have a funny, witty, and clever friend. I have no reason to believe Billy will be a reputation deal breaker.

Best, Frankie

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Selected one acts include Words, Words, Words (directed by Shelia McManus) which recalls the philosophical adage that three monkeys typing into infinity will sooner or later produce Hamlet and asks: What would monkeys talk about at their typewriters?; The *Philadelphia* (directed by Linda Costa), which presents two friends in a restaurant who have fallen into "a Philadelphia", a Twilight Zone-like state in which they cannot get anything they ask for: Sure Thing (directed by Donn Tyler), where two people meet in a café and find their way through a conversational minefield as an offstage bell interrupts their false starts, gaffes, and faux pas on the way to falling in love; and Variations on the Death of *Trotsky* (directed by Kate Fishman), which shows us the Russian revolutionary on the day of his demise, desperately trying to cope with the mountain-climber's axe he's discovered in his head.

Directors will cast up to a total of eleven actors of any age or gender, and some doubling of parts may occur across one act plays. Rehearsal times and dates will be determined by directors (in collaboration with actors) after cast is selected.

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By Beth David **Editor**

Candidates for office in Fairhaven's local election this Monday, 4/4/22, participated in a Meet the Candidates night sponsored by Fairhaven's Government Access channel last Thursday, 3/24.

Candidates for two of the three contested boards, Select Board and Board of Health, showed up. Candidates for Planning Board, the other contested race, did not participate.

This election, voters will be asked to choose three for Select Board. With this election, the board will expand from three to five seats. The top vote getter will serve three years, the second will serve two, the third will serve one before needing to run again. After that, all seats will have three year terms. There are five candidates running for those seats.

See page three for details on the election.

Each candidate gave opening and closing statements, and each answered the same questions for their boards.

Board of Health incumbent Peter DeTerra faces a challenge from newcomer Heidi Hacking.

In his opening statement, Mr. DeTerra emphasized his experience from his years on the board and the many certifications and classes he has under his belt.

Ms. Hacking emphasized her professional experience as a nurse, in risk management, and quality improvement. She said she hoped her experience would bring diversity of the board and her ability to lead would also be helpful.

Both were asked how they would demonstrate a commitment to collaboration to the board.



TOP: Peter DeTerra running for re-election to the Board of Health, and challenger Heidi Hacking listen to a question during the Fairhaven Government Access Meet the Candidates Night on 3/24/22 in the Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium. *Photos by Beth David.*

Meet the candidates

Mr. DeTerra said he would continue with what they are doing, including public service announcements.

Ms. Hacking said collaboration was extremely important and she has learned in her professional life that she can get much more done with collaboration. She said she would work with other departments, such as the Board of Public Works.

Answering a different question, Ms. Hacking said the town's response to COVID 19 was "fine."

The problem, she said was on the state level.

Mr. DeTerra said the board worked "hand in hand" with scientists and restaurants.

Both said they would continue a program to control ticks and mosquitoes and educate the public on how to protect themselves using signage on the bike path and other places where the public enjoys the outdoors.

Both also said they favor expanding the recycling center to accept more items, including hazardous waste, such as oils and other items accepted on the every-other-year hazardous materials day

In closing, Ms. Hacking said she was a believer in moving forward and trying something new and trying to improve the current situation.

"As you can see, I'm a lifelong learner," said Ms. Hacking, adding that she would like the opportunity to expand her education to other areas, such as septic and sewer.

She also said she was running to give back to the community. She did not know at first that there was a stipend. She said she would not accept the money.

Ms. Hacking said she hopes to bring to the role her experience in healthcare and her capacity to understand policy, common sense, critical thinking, and leadership.

The town is headed in the right direction, she said, and she wants to share in it.

Mr. DeTerra said years ago all members were certified in various areas. He said it was important for him to be certified so he is able to make the right decisions.

He said he wants to work with the public works department on moving the recycling center, and hopes to take more hazardous materials.

If not, he said, the materials will end up on side streets.

"I love this town," said Mr. DeTerra.



"And I want to serve."

The Select Board candidates include incumbent Stasia Powers, Leon Correy, Cameron Durant, Cathy Melanson, and Charlie Murphy.

They answered questions on a variety of issues, including how they would handle employee issues in town hall; how they would help the new town administrator; the large expenditures coming up, such as the Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade and new public safety complex; and properties such as the Rogers School building and Atlas Tack.

In her opening statement, Ms. Powers said she felt her family was "very lucky to live in this fine community."

She said her parents taught her to be respectful no matter what and that community is important. She said they taught her to surround herself with good people and help her community. And if you want change, you should "step up."

She also reviewed some of her accomplishments in the eight months she has been on the board.

Mr. Correy noted that he also ran in the recall election last July. He said he had to introduce himself to voters then, his background and why people should vote for him.

"I lost," he said. but there was more to it than that.

He said he needed to really take the time to show voters who he is. He has been doing that in this campaign.

He also had a few accomplishments to talk about from the last few months, including working with Rep. Straus for improvements to the intersection of Bridge Street and Route 6; and the committees he has been serving on.

He said these things show how hard he has been working for voters. And he has knocked on thousands of doors to find out what issues are on the minds of voters.

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If he is willing to work that hard to earn your vote, he said, imagine how hard he will work to serve as a board member.

Mr. Durant touted his experience on the Board of Public Works, saying they have a \$10 million budget and are responsible for one of the largest projects the town has ever seen: upgrading the Wastewater Treatment Plant.

"I'm excited for this new opportunity," said Mr. Durant, adding he is excited about policy, and looks forward to the Department of Revenue report, the new charter, the work on the Rogers School building, and working on a public safety complex.

He said he knows with his experience on the BPW he is "ready for the challenge."

He said his grandparents were very dedicated to the town, and he will be communicative and collaborate as much as possible.

Cathy Melanson said she has lived in town her whole life, graduated from Fairhaven High School, and married the boy next door.

"This is my town," she said. "This is where I love to be."

She said she is "blessed" to live in Fairhaven and have the family she has, including 13 grandchildren.

Ms. Melanson noted her experience as a business owner in Fairhaven, and her roles on a variety of elected and appointed boards in town. With her fiscal responsibility and knowledge business, she said she is "more than capable." She first joined town government as an elected member of the Planning Board, where she is still a member, after the confusion she felt as she tried to build her business and navigate through the permitting process.

She said a five member Select Board

will provide the opportunity for more ideas.

Mr. Murphy, who has served on the Select Board said he was "eager" to continue listening to the concerns of citizens. He is the CEO of MO LIFE which employs 70 people and is building back up after COVID.

As a licensed mental health counselor, he is trained to be a good listener, he

He has been meeting with different departments and said both police and fire need more personnel.

More resources will be coming into town, he said, now that events are back after the pandemic.



The town needs to help people on fixed incomes and lower cable bills.

Answering a question, Ms. Powers said the town's biggest challenge for the next 12 months will be getting the new Town Administrator up to speed. She said a lot of projects will be asking for ARPA funds (American Rescue Plan Act).

Mr. Correy said the biggest challenge is "staring down the barrel of two massive projects," the WWTP upgrade and safety complex. We have to find ways to bring money into town so we do not have to raise taxes.

Mr. Durant agreed that big expenditures are the challenge coming up. He said it will "cascade into a lot of different



ARPA funds for some of it.

Ms. Melanson said she echoed her fellow candidates that the WWTP is the biggest challenge. The recycling center has to move because of the upgrade.

She also noted that the new TA has a lot to learn about the town.

Ms. Melanson said all boards, committees, and departments need to work together.

Mr. Murphy said those challenges are not within 12 months. He said the biggest challenge now is the workforce. He said the town needs to retain police and firefighters, teachers, and public works workers.

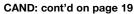
"We have got to be the town that has the best," said Mr. Murphy.

Candidates were also asked how they would help the new TA, Angie Lopes Ellison.

Mr. Correy said he would help foster an environment of communication, noting that was a problem the last couple of years. He said the board needs to introduce her.

"It's not just her job, it's my job, too," said Mr. Correy.

Mr. Durant said the board sets the tone for collaboration at town hall, but noted that the board members have no authority or power. He said he would









Candidates for Fairhaven Select Board participate in the Fairhaven Government Access Meet the Candidates Night on 3/24/22 in the Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium. TOP: Leon Correy III; TOP MIDDLE: Cameron Durant; ABOVE LEFT: Cathy Melanson; ABOVE MIDDLE: Charles K. Murphy, Sr., incumbent Stasia Powers. Photos by Beth David.

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BPW approves well work, movie on town beach

By Mary Chasse
Neighb News Correspondent

At its meeting on Monday 3/21 the Fairhaven Board of Public Works discussed a short film to be filmed on West Island Town Beach. The board also discussed repairs to wells on Wolf Island, and adding more memorial benches in town.

Both Marcus Ferro and Steve Riley were absent from the meeting. The board first met with Bill Hathaway about a movie he would like to film at West Island Town Beach. Mr. Hathaway said he is filming a short film and the Town Beach would work very well as part of the setting in his film.

Mr. Hathaway told the board that the filming would only take a day and half to complete and they would film at the beach on a Saturday and Sunday. Mr. Hathaway said there would be around 8-10 people on the beach, between the actors and the film crew. Most of the filming will take place on the far end of the beach, nowhere near the parking area.

BPW Vice Chairperson Robert "Hoppy" Hobson asked what the film is about.

Mr. Hathaway said the film is about four guys, one who has lost his wife,

and they scatter her remains on a beach at a Boston Harbor island. The men reminisce on their personal lives and problems etc. They would be using Fairhaven's Town Beach as that setting.

Mr. Hobson said he was 100% for it. The board voted unanimously to approve the use of the beach.

In another matter the board discussed signing a contract with E.G. Sullivan Drilling Company to place gravel around the water wells on Wolf Island Road. Mr. Furtado explained that they are trying to redevelop the wells on Wolf Island so the town can get more water from these wells to help with their water supply, and cut the costs the town pays to Mattapoisett. Mr. Furtado explained that the town pays Mattapoisett for raw water and treated water, but if the town can get more wells working then the cost of raw water will go down.

The board voted to move forward with the contract to redevelop/repair the wells. The motion passed 2-1 with Brian Wotton and Cameron Durant for it and Mr. Hobson against, because he said he did not understand all the issues with the wells.

In another matter the board

discussed having a BPW member assigned to each department for union negotiations.

The board voted to assign Mr. Hobson to the AFSME union negotiations, and Mr. Durant to the Teamsters. Board member Marcus Ferro will take Mr. Durant's place if he is elected to the Select Board on 4/4.

In another matter the board discussed adding more memorial benches around town. Mr. Hobson said he asked for this topic to be on the agenda, noting that Fort Phoenix has four memorial benches and many residents he has spoken to have had a few ideas for other benches in memory of loved ones.

Mr. Hobson said he believed the town had room for 4-6 more benches.

He suggested putting benches at Town Beach, Seaview Ave.nue, and the state side of Fort Phoenix. He said it would be nice for people to have somewhere to sit and look at the ocean, and it would also make some residents happy to see a bench in memory of someone they love.

Mr. Wotton suggested that the board wait to vote on it until they next meeting when the full board is present. The board tabled the matter.

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operate in the open, not behind the scenes.

He advocated for a Human Resources professional.

Ms. Melanson said that when the Ms. Ellison starts, the board needs to listen to her, and then work along with her.

"Transparency is going to be a big thing," said Ms. Melanson, adding that they need to let her do her thing.

"If we start micromanaging her, it will not work out well for her or us," she said, adding we are one team, one town and we will move forward.

Mr. Murphy agreed they should listen to Ms. Ellison, adding not every idea will be approved, but they will respond in a professional manner so they can get the "very best we can do for our town."

Ms. Powers said they need to work with Ms. Ellison to find out what they can do to help her accomplish the goals that the board has and that Ms. Ellison has.

She said they need to help her understand why they have the policies and goals they have and work collaboratively to achieve them.

Candidates were also asked how they would define budget priorities, especially

with the big projects coming up.

"Everybody has their own priorites," said Ms. Powers, meaning different departments.

She said the capital planning process that the town follows rates each project and should be used.

Mr. Correy said that in addition to the process, there is a "little bit of common sense that has to come into play."

The board needs to distinguish from what the town wants and what it needs.

Mr. Durant said the WWTP is something the town must do, but the safety complex is just a building. He said first responders would rather have more staff than a new building.

Fire and police need more people, and the PD has asked for a social worker, he said.

"We ask too much of our first responders," said Mr. Durant.

Ms. Melanson, who is on the capital planning committee, said the projects are on a five year plan.

She said everything is ranked, and it is the best way to be fiscally responsible.

Safety equipment for first responders,

she said, is "right up there because their safety is our safety."

Mr. Murphy said we have a capital planning committee, and a plan for putting money in the stabilization fund. He said that money helps keep borrowing at a lower rate. That money and other revenue funds are also for emergencies, and should not be dipped into unless necessary.

"We need to be ready for unplanned priorities," such as water, sewer and other infrastructure emergencies.

Candidates also answered questions about personnel management; what they would like the town to do with the Rogers School and Atlas Tack buildings; what can be better about a five-member board; a mistake they made and how they fixed it.

Kyle Bueno, who is uncontested for his seat on the School Committee also participated.

The event is running on Channel 18 and is available on demand at www. FairhavenTV.Com and https://livestream.com/fairhavenlive/events/8101110/videos/230111510

Public Hearings/Legal Notices

NOTE: All legal notices are available on the Neighb News website, www.NeighbNews.com, under the "Legal Notices" tab on the top of the main page. Legal ads are also available at http://masspublicnotices.org, search under "Fairhaven Neighborhood News"

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS INVITATION TO BID



Sealed bids marked "BACKFLOW PREVENTION DEVICE TESTING" will be received at the Board of Public Works Office, 5 Arsene Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719 not later than 2:00 p.m. April 21, 2022 and at 2:00 p.m. April 21, 2022 will be publicly opened and read. Specifications are available Monday– Friday, 8:00–4:00 at the BPW Office, 508-979-4030 or email byw@fairhaven-ma.gov. The Board of Public Works reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids if it is in the best interest of the Town to do so.

FNN: 3/31/22

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven Conservation Commission

Monday, April 11, 2022 at 6:30pm Remote

Fairhaven, Massachusetts
Pursuant to Chapter 22 of the Acts of 2022, these public hearings will be conducted via remote means.

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Members of the public who wish to access the
meeting may do so in the following manner:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87352058457?pwd=RnJ
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or CALL 1-929-205-6099
Meeting ID: 873 5205 8457
Passcode: 989756

No in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted, and public participation in any public hearing conducted during this meeting shall be by remote means only.

The Fairhaven Conservation Commission will hold the following **Public Hearings** pursuant to the Massa-chusetts Wetlands Protection Act (M.G.L. c. 131, s. 40) and the Code of the Town of Fairhaven Chapter 192,

- 1. CON 023-133: 130 Ebony Street Request to Amend an Order of Conditions filed by John and Sharon Hinds to revise special conditions and add a fence at
- the property located at 130 Ebony Street, Assessors Map 43A, Lots 235, 236 & 237.

 2. CON 023-269: 120 Alden Road Request for Determination of Applicability filed by James Kalife for the determination of jurisdictional resource areas at the property located at 120 Alden Road, Assessors Map 24, Lot 18. No work is proposed by this filing.
 3. CON 023-270: 53 & 55 Goulart Memorial Drive
- Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Blue Stream Shellfish, LLC for the installation of water service from the road and the installation of underground electricity service between 55 and 53 Goulart Memorial Drive at the properties located at 53 & 55 Goulart Memorial Drive, Assessors Map 42, Lots 23C and 23A. Work to take place in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage and the 100-foot buffer zone to Coastal Dune.
- CON 023-271: Route 240 and Bridge Street Right-of-Way Notice of Intent filed by Gulf Resources for invasive species management within the right-of-way of Bridge Street and Route 240 adjacent to 277 Bridge Street, Assessors Map 30A. Work to take place in Bordering Vegetated Wetland and the 100-foot buffer zones to Bordering Vegetated Wetland

and Bank

5. CON 023-272: 30 Jameson Street Notice of Intent filed by Paul and Pamela Archambault for the construction of a three-season room and associated concrete patio at the property located at 30 Jameson Street, Assessors Map 28D, Lot 20. Work to take place in Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage and the 100-foot buffer zone to Salt Marsh.

Information regarding remote meeting access, listed above, will also be provided on the Conservation Agenda posted on the Town's website at least 48 hours

Agenda posted on the Town's website at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.

Copies of the applications listed in this hearing notice may be viewed electronically at: https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/conservation-commission/pages/ current-filings

Geoff Haworth, Chair, Fairhaven Conservation Commission FNN: 3/31/22

Fairhaven Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearings

Tuesday, April 5, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. Town Hall Banquet Room, 40 Center Street Fairhaven, Massachusetts
Public Hearing In-Person in Banquet Room or via Zoom

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/94115137952?pwd=MXpoVWpKTF BEUmluT1pWSCtiVzJCQT09 or call 1-929-205-6099

Meeting ID: 941 1513 7952 Passcode: 361259

1. CORRESPONDENCE: Owner/Applicant of 108 Sycamore Street requests an extension of the previously granted Variance (granted May 4, 2021), in accordance with MGL, Chapter 40A, Section 10. The owner has requested the Board to consider granting a six (6) month extension

HEARINGS

1. REF#: ZBA-2022-022: 184 Balsam Street. Applicant
& Owner: Robert and Karen Sullivan. Applicant seeks a Variance to construct a dock greater than 75 feet in length due to shallowness of docking area pursuant

to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-32.2(3)(a).
Continued from December 2, 2021.
2. REF#: ZBA-022-023: 2 Elliot Lane, Map 12, Lots 196-198. Applicant & Owner: Sandra Gifford. Applicant seeks a Special Permit under the Fairhaven Bylaw 198-16, to construct a two-floor addition, for the purpose of an in-law suite of approximately 1,400 square feet. Continued from December 2, 2021.

- 3. REF#: ZBA-022-008: 5 Billys Way, Map 29A, Lots 185-186. Applicant & Owner: Sharon Simmons. Applicant seeks (1) Variance to construct accessory structure greater than 20 feet in height, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-22 (2) and: (2) Variance to construct accessory structure in the front yard, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-22 (3). Please note: The applicant will need a Variance from the Building Board of Regulations and Standards to construct a detached accessory structure in excess of 100 sq ft in the FEMA
- Velocity Zone.

 4. REF#: ZBA-022-009: 55 Orchard Street, Map 28B, Lots 410 & 411. Applicant & Owner: Despina Moran-Devlin. Applicant seeks (1) an appeal of the Building Commissioner's Stop Work Order dated 11/15/21 and; (2) a finding from the Board under MGL 40A, Section 6, for expansion of an existing nonconforming use to construct a 22'.8"x 18'.7" carport and 37'.5"x9'.5" deck, and that the additions are not more substantially detrimental than the existing nonconforming use to the neighborhood. Please note: The Board awaits the submittal of an instrument survey from a registered land surveyor to confirm that the proposed setbacks are conforming to the Zoning Bylaw 198-18: Intensity of Use Schedule.

5. REF#: ZBA-022-010: 3 Bass Creek Road, Map 43C, Lots 40-42, Applicant & Owner: Karen Cabral. Applicant seeks a Special Permit for a mobile home stored or occupied on the property, pursuant to

Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-28.
6. REF#: ZBA-022-011: 29 Winsegansett Avenue, Map 42A, Lot 148. Applicant: Taylor Bradford. Owner: Henry Bradford III. Applicant seeks a Special Permit

for home occupation contractor services, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-23.
7. REF#: ZBA-022-012: 89 Akin Street, Map 30B, Lot 54, Applicant & Owner: Daniel Pounds. Applicant seeks Variance from the minimum rear setback of 30 feet to the 21 feet proposed, for the construction of a single-family home, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning

8. REF#: ZBA-022-013: 481 Sconticut Neck Road, Map 29, Lot 27. Applicant: Christopher Saunders. Owner: Antone Arruda. Applicant seeks (1) Variance to create two buildable lots, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-17B, which states no existing lot shall be changed in size or shape, except through a public taking or except where otherwise permitted herein, so as to result in violation of the requirements set forth and; (2) Variance from the minimum required frontage of 140 feet to the 77.5 feet proposed, pursuant to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-18. 9. REF#: ZBA-022-014: 148 Main_Street, Map 12, Lot

12A. Applicant & Owner: Diane Tomassetti. Applicant seeks Special Permit to construct a timber pile supported pier with a gangway and a float, pursuant

to Fairhaven Zoning Bylaw 198-32.2.

Peter DeTerra, Chairman, Fairhaven ZBA
FNN: 3/24/22, 3/31/22

Fairhaven Planning Board NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Tuesday, April 12, 2022 at 6:30 pm Banquet Room, Town Hall, 40 Center Street Fairhaven, Massachusetts

Notice is hereby given that the Fairhaven Planning Board will conduct a public hearing at the above date and remote and physical locations.

To access remotely Log onto: https://zoom.us/j/93163358101?pwd=NXg5WnUxZ3I LK3drSVBBM2JPTXE0QT09

or call 1-929-205-6099 - Meeting ID: 931 6335 8101 -Passcode: 740257 Live on Fairhaven TV Channel 18 and

fairhaventv.com

1 RZ 2022-02: 114 Sconticut Neck Road Rezone from Business (B) to Mixed-Use (M-U)

The purpose of the hearing will be to receive information and public comment on the following Rezone application: RZ 2022-02: 114 Sconticut Neck Rezone application: RZ 2022-02: 114 Sconticut Neck Road Rezone. The Applicant, Ronald Oliveira, is requesting a recommendation from the Planning Board to Town Meeting through the Rezoning public hearing review process to rezone their property located at 114 Sconticut Neck Road from Business (B) to Mixed-use (MU) to be considered at the Annual Town Meeting on June 18, 2022. The proposed Rezone specifically includes the following described lot which is currently shown on the zoning map as in the Business District (B) shown on the zoning map as in the Business District (B) to be rezoned to the Mixed-Use (MU) District and is comprised of the following Assessor's Map-Lot: Map

A copy of the application is on file for public review at the Planning Board Office, Town Hall from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday and all information is accessible at the Planning Board webpage: For information on the project go to: https://www.fairhaven-ma.gov/planning-board/pages/current-permits-being-reviewed-special-permits-definitive-subdivisions

To schedule an appointment to review the application call the Planning Department at (508) 979-4023. Ext. 123.

John Farrell Jr., Chairman of the Planning Board FNN: 3/24/22, 3/31/22

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HELP WANTED: Hiring FT and PT Landscapers and Landscape Laborers. Landscapers must have a minimum 2 years experience, laborers need none but must be motivated and punctual. Call JNS Landscaping office for application and interview details: 508-993-6897

TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN SUMMER 2022 SEASONAL DEPUTY HARBORMASTER/ SHELLFISH CONSTABLE POSITIONS

The Town of Fairhaven has openings for partime seasonal deputy harbormaster/shellfish constable positions. This position works in the management of the Town Harbor, boat ramps, & waterways in assisting boaters and the general public, and in the enforcement of applicable waterways laws, bylaws and regulations. Requires nights, weekends, and holiday hours. Operating the pump-out boat and facility. Upkeep of public docks, access areas and facilities. Requires moderate physical effort and the ability to lift up to 75 pounds. Must be able to work in all weather conditions. A full job description is located at www.Fairhaven-MA.gov under "Job Opportunities". Forward resume and/or employment application to Marine Resources Department, Fairhaven Town Hall, 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA 02719; or email ssouza@Fairhaven-MA.gov. This position will remain open until filled.

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Upcoming Meetings

Fairhaven Board of Appeals

Tues., 4/5, Town Hall, 6:00 p.m.

Board of Public Works

Mon., 4/4, Arsene St., 3:30 p.m.

Conservation Commission

Mon., 4/11, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

ELECTION

Mon., 4/4, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. See page 3 for details

Espindola Office Hour

Tues., 4/5, Remote, 6:30 p.m.

Finance Committee

Thurs., 3/31, Remote, 7 p.m.

Planning Board

Tues., 4/12, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

School Committee Budget Hearing

Wed., 4/6, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m. Wed., 4/13, Media Ctr., 6:30 p.m.

Select Board

Mon. 4/11, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

Acushnet Selectboard

Wed., 4/6, Town Hall, 10 a.m. Tues., 4/12, Town Hall, 4 p.m.

TIDE TABLE

US Army Corps of Engineers, Cape Cod Canal/Piney Point/Wing's Neck

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Tuesday	5	1135	2356	0442	1641
Wednesday	6		1223	0514	1715
Thursday	7	0048	1318	0553	1756
Friday	8	0143	1413	0646	1852
Saturday	9	0237	1507	0759	2006
Sunday	10	0331	1605	0906	2114
Monday	11	0433	1709	1007	2219
Tuesday	12	0533	1801	1105	2324
Wednesday	13	0621	1843	1148	
Thursday	14	0702	1922	0014	1226
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Saturday	16	0823	2043	0140*	1345*
Sunday	17	0907	2129	0227*	1431*
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^{*=} Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft
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Acushnet raises golf rates, will add staff

By Lori Richard Neighb News Correspondent

The Acushnet Selectboard unanimously agreed to increase rates at the Acushnet River Valley Golf Course by \$3.00 to offset the rising costs of running a first-rate golf facility. Although the course enjoyed a "perfect season" last year thanks to sunny weather, limited recreational options (due to COVID) for players, and other factors, this year is likely to be more typical.

General Manager Dana Przybyszewski explained that the playing season runs from July through November, and currently the course is approximately \$125,000 "below the high water mark" that was set last year. He doesn't expect that the course will see 42,000 rounds being played this year.

"So much depends on the weather" and the popularity of other sports, he said.

Selectboard Chair David Desroches questioned whether the modest rate increase will cover all of the course's needs down the road, such as salaries, fertilizer, pesticides, gasoline, and other variable costs.

Both Mr. Przybyszewski and Superintendent Steve Tibbels reassured him that the rate increase should allow them to maintain the course without putting too much of a strain on their customers.

"We're trying to maintain our competitiveness in the market. We made a jump we thought we would be comfortable with," said Mr. Tibbels.

Mr. Przybyszewski added that a large number of regular players include blue collar locals who enjoy teeing off at an affordable price.

He said, "All of the hard work we've done over the past 20 years has really hit the mark."

The rate increase also accommodates two additional staff members, replacing one employee who retired, and adding another who can fill their current staffing needs. Mr. Tibbels noted that the golf course does not have overtime funds, and he can not do what he used to do when he came to the course 22 years ago.

He emphasized that the majority of his staff has been there for more than 15 years, and he would not want to lose them.

Selectboard member David Wojnar

agreed that the increase is necessary. "This is the one asset we have in town ... and it's understaffed," he said.

Fire Chief Kevin Gallagher announced that the federal government's recent settlement in the lawsuit against Purdue Pharma will result in recovery funds for Acushnet.

In total, the town will receive \$325,344 over a period of 15 years from the settlement. While the town will get its first payment of \$36,586 in the spring, the money comes with stipulations that it be used to support opioid education and recovery. In future years, the amount of recovery money will vary.

The chief recommended that the town appoint a group to make spending recommendations based on

All of the hard work we've done over the past 20 years has really hit the mark [General Manager Dana Przybyszewski]

the details of the settlement.

"It's very good news, and these folks are paying through the nose," he said, referring to the companies charged in the lawsuits. "We know too many families in Acushnet that have suffered from the use of opioids."

Mr. Gallagher also addressed the ongoing process to hire the next fire chief. Following the Assessment Center Review, he recommended that selectboard members ask candidates Eric Arruda and Thomas Farland (both of whom are Acushnet firefighters) to respond, in writing, to the same questions that were posed to the police chief.

When asked why, he responded that "they are specific to executive level leadership of a public safety department." Their written responses are due 4/4/22 at noon. The selectboard will follow up with interviews during a special selectboard meeting on 4/6/22 at 10:00 a.m.

As the selectboard meeting convened, members of the Fabian

family donated three HeartStart defibrillators to Acushnet sports through the Jake Fabian Memorial Fund. When Jeanne and John Fabian's son Jake died from arrhythmia in October 2019 despite being an otherwise healthy young man, they knew they wanted to do something to improve the community in his memory.

"We felt if one person was saved, it would be enough," said Ms. Fabian. "People have been so wonderful. We've received some beautiful things from people in his name."

In addition to the equipment, the fund has provided scholarships to local students.

Mr. Wojnar thanked the family for their generous gift, noting that Jake was an inspiration to the townspeople.

"This is an incredibly generous donation," he said.

Chief Gallagher noted that the machines are high quality commercial defibrillators with special features. He added that research shows there is a need for this kind of equipment at ballfields, where the frequency of cardiac arrests in children and adults is high.

"This is exceptionally beneficial to the town," said the chief.

Ms. Fabian replied that they are happy to be able to give back to their hometown.

In other news, based on past complaints, the amount of traffic on the roads, increased recent activity, and general summer traffic, the selectboard unanimously went along with the Safety Committee's recommendation to approve No Parking signs on Main Street between Dayton and Hamlin Streets, on Wing Road, and on John Street.

Additionally, selectboard members met with Police Chief Chris Richmond and DPW Director Dan Menard to discuss department budgets. The board unanimously voted to approve all level-funded budgets except the DPW, Highway, SEMASS, Insurance, Retirement Pensions, and Police, which they will revisit at a future meeting.

After wrapping up public business, the selectboard convened in Executive Session to discuss strategy with regards to collective bargaining or litigation (301 Perry Hill Road).

Powers Has Proven Record

Dear friends, I could not be more excited for our town, now that we have expanded the Select Board from three to five members. We have people stepping up! I hope this surge in energy to serve continues. We need choices!

I am a firm believer in an open and transparent government. I want the most qualified candidate representing our community. We need a candidate that has ethics and integrity, one who puts the community first. A candidate that comes forth with no other agenda than to do their very best for the greatest good. We have those qualities in Stasia Powers.

Stasia has a proven record of leadership. As the newest Select Board member, she has quickly adapted and has played a vital role in mapping our community needs and priorities. Her mindfulness and ability to problem solve is exactly what our town requires, now and into the future.

Stasia has succeeded in delivering on her campaign promises, a rarity in these times of disappointment and broken commitments. She has successfully hired a new Town Administrator. She has brought decency and decorum back to Town Hall. We have seen progress on the Rogers School reuse that we all so desperately desire. She's stood firm on the necessity of a Massachusetts Department of Revenue review and voted to move forward on the internal audit. Her leadership and qualities sets the stage and example of the atmosphere in Town Hall that we all deserve.

We have choices to make on April 4th. I encourage you in joining me in my unwavering support for the very best candidate. Reelect Stasia Powers to the Select Board!

John Farrell, Fairhaven

Correy Uplifts Others

A few years ago, I read a "Letter from the Readers" entry in the Fairhaven Neighborhood News. The letter's views were completely opposite to mine, and because of that, it inspired me to take my first steps into civil service duties in Fairhaven. I wanted to be active and bring my voice to the conversation.

A couple years later, I read another letter, this time reminding us what civil servitude was, and reminding us

From our readers

we shouldn't just accept the status quo. That letter was written by Leon Correy. I was inspired once again: this time for the love of my hometown, to make it better. As I learned more about Leon, I learned about his honesty, integrity, his drive to always try harder, and be better.

I can tell you his qualifications, but it has been repeated enough. What hasn't been stated enough is his intelligence, compassion, and heart. He is out, rain or shine, election season or not, trying to improve our town and getting to know its residents by canvassing in all our precincts. It's a joke between my husband and me now: "Where in Fairhaven is Leon Correy today?"

Consistently, Leon uplifts others and the town of Fairhaven. He is raising the bar and that is why I'll proudly choose Leon Correy III for Selectboard this April 4th Election Day

Jessica Fidalgo, Fairhaven

Gallagher Supports Correy, Integrity

Fairhaven has many choices this election. There is a good mixture of experienced hands and new faces on the April 4th ballot. Like so many of you, I will be using my own judgement and applying my own set of qualifiers when I cast my ballot.

One of my three votes for Select Board will be cast for Leon Correy. During the recent recall election, I expressed my support for Leon in this newspaper. Back then he was a new commodity, a person full of promise, commitment to the town and, most importantly, a leader willing to step out in front of the pack well before the recall was started.

Since then my admiration for Leon Correy and his family has only increased. We have seen his dedication to Fairhaven grow, his grasp of the issues deepen and his focus on serving intensify. As I said back then, Leon possess the qualities that I personally look for in a public servant. I know he would be a tremendous addition to the newly comprised five-member Select Board.

Someone famously said "Integrity is doing the right thing, even when no one is watching."

Fairhaven has the opportunity in a few days to place residents in elected positions that we know will honor this basic concept. Many of these candidates want to serve the interest of their community versus their own individual interests. Others, we need to watch. For Fairhaven to move forward and confidently, efficiently and effectively solve our most pressing issues, we need people to serve that understand that integrity is a way of life, not simply a campaign slogan.

I will be, once again, proud to vote for Leon Correy and the other candidates that understand the importance and true meaning of integrity.

Kevin Gallagher, Fairhaven

Durant Strikes Perfect Tone

I am writing in support of candidate Cam Durant for Select Board.

Mr. Durant first impressed me last summer during the recall election candidate debates. His easy understanding of both situations and facts, combined with his calm approach, strikes the perfect tone for Fairhaven.

The first-hand knowledge he has acquired of municipal government and town finance that he has acquired during his tenure as a Commissioner of the BPW will serve us well. One need only watch the meetings to see that he clearly takes the time to research his subject matter and gauge both the opinions and needs of our community members.

This upstanding young leader will make an excellent addition to round out a five-member Select Board.

Please join me in voting for Cam Durant on April 4.

Bruce Gratz. Fairhaven

Haworth Supports Correy

I don't write many of these endorsements because I think it is important to only write one when you truly believe someone is the right person for the position. I have had the pleasure to meet Leon Correy and discuss with him his vision for Fairhaven. Fairhaven is an everchanging evolving community, and we must look to our elected officials to keep our town moving forward in a positive direction. I feel it is essential that we have representatives in our town government that truly represent the residents of Fairhaven.

Leon Correy will do just that. He may be newer to Fairhaven, but he has the insight and the leadership ability that we need. He brings fresh ideas and perspective to our town. He presents himself has a straight-

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forward passionate person willing to make decisions.

This election we will increase our select board from three members to five members. This is a unique opportunity to add two more Select Board members. Leon Correy would be a great addition to our Select Board. Please join me in voting for Leon Correy on Monday April 4th.

Geoff Haworth, Fairhaven, Former Selectman

Correy Brings People Together

I would like to submit this letter of support for Leon Correy for Select Board. Last year I was telephoned by Mr. Correy, and had a very pleasant conversation about our community. We discussed the many issues the Town was facing at that time and I did explain to him my feelings toward those issues. I spoke of my experiences as a past Select Board member and the many complex parts of the job. I explained what this Town means to me, and how it was important to bring people together.

Mr. Correy spoke of his involvement within the community and his views about bringing people together. Keep in mind to this point I had not met this gentleman, we were speaking together for the first time. He spoke of his family, his education and his willingness to make a difference. Everything he said to me in that phone call, he has demonstrated already.

Last June when we all experienced the refusal by Selectmen to fly our LGBTQI Pride flag, during Pride month, people came together thanks to Ms. Hahn, and gathered in front of Town Hall. Mr. Correy, Cam Durant and Charlie Murphy were there. Mr. Correy spoke, and it was the first time I actually met him. Mr. Correy stood tall that day in my mind, and we all could feel the compassion he has for inclusion and diversity.

He went on to chair the Belonging Committee, and is a member on the Sustainability Committee. Mr. Correy has already made a difference in our Town government, he is motivated, ambitious, kind and respectful. He cares about me and he cares about you! He doesn't have to promise to bring people together, he already has and will continue once elected.

I have always believed, that you

will only have good government by electing good people. Please join me in voting for Leon Correy, he will continue to make a real difference for all of us.

Ronnie Manzone, Fairhaven

Hacking is Qualified and Passionate

Valued community members, I cannot imagine a more qualified and passionate leader to advance the health and wellness of Fairhaven than Heidi Hacking. I have the pleasure of serving with Heidi Hacking at Southcoast Health. In my role as Chief Nursing Officer I get to witness her efforts every day as she builds strong coalitions among our disciplinary teams whose aim is to mitigate risk and advance excellence through continuously improving our systems.

Given the uncertainty we all face today with emerging challenges in our communities, Heidi will bring a wealth of expertise to inform decisions and will always keep people and their health as the anchor for all of her thinking and actions.

Jackie Somerville Ph.D., RN, New Bedford

ACO says thanks for surprise donations

From the Fairhaven Animal Control Officer

We would like to extend our great appreciation to East Fairhaven elementary school for the pet food and supplies that they gathered and donated to the Fairhaven animal shelter (see 3/24/22 issue).

We were unaware of this until a large van pulled up that was literally full of supplies.

As animal control officer I have the opportunity to see the worst and best in people. This was without a doubt the latter.

Our little shelter could not exist without the support of this community. Because of their hard work our shelves are full!

Thank you!!

Terry Cripps and our entire team.

Gratitude is riches. Complaint is poverty.

Doris Day



One-yearold Morgan is waiting for her forever family at the Fairhaven Animal Shelter. She is very energetic! And she loved all of the treats that East Fairhaven elementary school donated.

No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks.

James Allen

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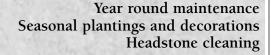


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- Mark Badwey, Art Curator

GOALS FOR 2022

- Ensure Select Board subcommittees align with shared goals and that progress is being made.
- Strengthen the Town's Human Resources Management.
- Establish long term financial sustainability for the Town by ensuring adherence to approved financial policies.
- Improve civic engagement through effective communication and greater transparency.
- Plan for Fairhaven's future, including facilities planning, open space planning, and climate change mitigation.

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