



TOWN OF FAIRHAVEN

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JOINT meeting of the SELECT BOARD and FINANCE COMMITTEE

Agenda

March 13, 2024

6:30 p.m.

Town Hall – 40 Center Street – Fairhaven

On March 24, 2023, the bill to extend Open Meeting Law regulations governing remote participation has passed MA legislation and been signed by the Governor. This bill will allow remote and hybrid meeting options for public bodies through March 31, 2025.

*Pursuant to an amendment to Town Bylaw Chapter 50 § 13,
all government meetings are available through web/video conference and are recorded.*

A. MINUTES:

1. Approve the Joint Select Board and Finance Committee Minutes of February 28, 2024

B. ACTION ITEM/BUDGET REVIEW:

1. Planning Department
2. Marine Resource Department
3. Police Department
4. Other budget items

C. NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next joint meeting of the Select Board and Finance Committee is *Wednesday, March 20, 2024* at 6:30p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Subject matter listed in the agenda consists of those items that are reasonably anticipated (by the Chair) to be discussed. Not all items listed may be discussed and other items not listed (such as urgent business not available at the time of posting) may also be brought up for discussion in accordance with applicable law.

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Fairhaven Select Board & Finance Committee Joint Meeting Minutes February 28, 2024

Select Board Members Present: Chair Leon Correy, Vice-Chair Charles Murphy Sr., Clerk Stasia Powers, Select Board member Keith Silvia, Select Board member Robert Espindola, Town Administrator Angie Lopes Ellison, Assistant Town Administrator of Finance Anne Carreiro.

Finance Committee Members Present: Chair Padraic Elliott, Vice-Chair Claire Millette, Robert Grindrod, Peter Gardner, James Souza, Stephen Levesque, Linda Gallant and David Patterson

Present via zoom: Finance Committee members Chris Fidalgo and Patricia Pacella.

Mr. Correy called to order the Select Board meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Mr. Elliott called to order the Finance Committee meeting at 6:31 p.m.

Select Board Motion: Mr. Espindola motioned to take item C, Reserve Fund Transfer out of order. Ms. Powers seconded. The motion passed unanimously (5-0-0).

Finance Committee Motion: Ms. Millette motioned to take item C, Reserve Fund Transfer out of order. Mr. Levesque seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Elliott in favor, Mr. Grindrod in favor, Ms. Gallant in favor, Mr. Patterson in favor, Ms. Millette in favor, Mr. Gardner in favor, Mr. Levesque in favor, Mr. Souza in favor, Ms. Pacella in favor and Mr. Fidalgo in favor. The motion passed unanimously (10-0-0).

RESERVE FUND TRANSFER

Ms. Ellison reviewed the emergency request for \$12,986.58 for floor replacement and French drain installation at the Fire Department. She answered questions about the account balances and future expenses. Facilities Manager Kevin Fournier addressed questions about the cause and said no asbestos was found.

Finance Committee Motion: Ms. Millette motioned to transfer \$12,986.58 from the Reserve Fund to the Fire Department Repair and Maintenance Account. Mr. Grindrod seconded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Elliott in favor, Mr. Grindrod in favor, Ms. Gallant in favor, Mr. Patterson in favor, Ms. Millette in favor, Mr. Gardner in favor, Mr. Levesque in favor, Mr. Souza in favor, Ms. Pacella in favor and Mr. Fidalgo in favor. The motion passed unanimously (10-0-0).

BUDGET REVIEW

Ms. Ellison provided an update on the FY25 Budget draft two and the requests from the prior meeting that are included in the packet. Ms. Carreiro said she can add comments to list the different reduction amounts per category.

Discussion ensued regarding format of the information from last year to this year, debt schedule and what the projections are based on.

FY2025 BUDGET – PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENTS

Water Superintendent Jeff Furtado, Assistant Water Superintendent Nick Parker and Public Works Superintendent Vinnie Furtado reviewed the Water Department budget line items and answered questions about budget line item changes, Water Enterprise Fund turnback process, rate concerns, tiered rate process, water meter replacement program, billing process, plot planner printer use and need, Capital requests for Water Tower Maintenance Program and an Equipment Trailer.

Superintendent Furtado reviewed the sewer treatment plant borrowing, status on loan forgiveness, ongoing attempt to secure zero percent interest, Sewer budget line items, Sewer Capital project requests for a pump station

and inflow and infiltration.

Highway Superintendent Joshua Crabb reviewed the Highway and Park Department budget line items and answered questions about overtime, gas and diesel spending, shared equipment across public works departments, process for ordering gas and diesel and clarification on how other Town departments “pay” public works for the gas/diesel, contracted services and software, shifts in projects and staffing to assist with budget deficit, Capital Project for roadwork, process improvement initiatives through equipment or work process, resurface, hard surface and roadwork definitions, recycling plant equipment, creative collaboration to potentially rent equipment to other towns, Capital requests for equipment and lifespan of equipment.

The Park Department Capital request for a tractor replacement was reviewed and questions as to use, need and trade in options were asked.

Mr. Crabb will have the overtime amount reviewed. Ms. Ellison will ask the Town Clerk if a fee can be implemented with dog licenses to offset the cost of mutt mitts. Superintendent Furtado will verify the number of weeks for lifeguards.

Superintendent Furtado reviewed Sanitation, Department 423, these are contractual obligations and he reviewed the history of trash collection, use of Southeastern Massachusetts (SEMASS) Resource Recovery Facility, changes to tonnage, potential penalties for not meeting the agreements on tonnage. He addressed questions about trash fees. The Public Works Administration Department was reviewed, salary and wages with one Capital request for floors.

The Select Board and Finance Committee asked for the following:

- Public Works Capital Projects in a list
- Highway Department overtime to be confirmed
- Make the line item for the bike path in bold
- Contact the Town Clerk about a potential fee added to dog licenses
- Confirm number of weeks for lifeguards
- Confirm Capital summary sheet
- Create an index of departments
- Draft warrant booklet
- Consider two-sided printing

The next joint meeting will be **Wednesday, March 13, 2024** at Town Hall.

Finance Committee adjourned at 9:54pm

The Select Board adjourned at 9:54pm

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the Select Board Clerk (ah)

Approved on ____ 2024



Joint Meeting of the Select Board and Finance Committee

March 13, 2024

Documents for 3/13/24:

- A. FY25 Budget Draft 3, dated March 13, 2024**
- B. Community Preservation Budget**
- C. Community Preservation Committee Article**
- D. Warrant Article List, draft 2**

Requests in Process:

- Legal invoices summary, attorney rates, additional department fee analysis**

Town of Fairhaven
 FY 2025 Budget
 Additional adjustments/cuts

March 13, 2024 draft

Dept Expenditures:

General Government	69,000
Municipal Finance	120,636
Town Clerk / Elections	1,090
Planning & Development	2,960
Public Safety	250,140
Education	????
Est. Voke & Bristol Aggie Assessments	16,000
Public Works	169,000
Health	6,300
Community Services	54,300
Non-Departmental	50,000
	<u>739,426</u>

Dept Expenditure Cuts	739,426
Available Funds	<u>381,000</u>
	1,120,426

Available Funds:

Reserve Fund	25,000
ACO- Gift Available increase	5,000
Tourism exp from Gift acct	7,000
SRF Trash Fees	94,000
Possible additional new growth	75,000
Marine Resource increased revenues	75,000
Possible abatement & exemption	100,000
Possible SRF ambulance increase	???
Overlay	???
	<u>381,000</u>

Summary:

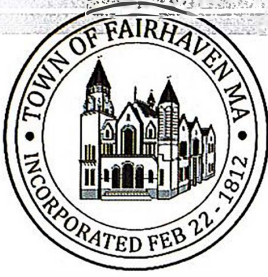
Total General Fund Deficit	2,200,000
Less: Trash Fee Revenue	<u>(700,000)</u>
	1,500,000
Dept cuts & Available funds	<u>(1,120,426)</u>
Remaining Deficit	379,574

Budget Worksheet - All Accounts - Expenditure

Highest Budgeted Level:	1	FY25 Request	Fiscal Year	Allocated	Expended
Department: 179 CPA					
Account Number:	021-179-00-5111-00-0661		2021	6,700.00	-4,815.93
Name:	PERSONNAL SERVICES		2022	3,000.00	-2,999.76
			2023	2,600.00	-1,555.25
			2024	6,350.00	-752.87
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
Recording Secretary			07/01/2024	5,250.35	
	1 Amount(s):			5,250.35	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5201-00-0661				
Name:	PURCHASE OF SERVICES				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
	1 Amount(s):			0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5303-00-0661		2021	200.00	-450.00
Name:	ADVERTISING		2022	300.00	-300.00
			2023	300.00	-320.00
			2024	500.00	-80.00
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
Postings for public hearings/announcements			07/01/2024	750.00	
	1 Amount(s):			750.00	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5342-00-0661		2021	200.00	0.00
Name:	POSTAGE		2022	300.00	0.00
			2023	300.00	-0.57
			2024	300.00	-1.26
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	300.00	
	1 Amount(s):			300.00	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5390-00-0661		2021	3,000.00	0.00
Name:	CONTRACTED SERVICES		2022	8,650.00	0.00
			2023	2,800.00	-1,440.00
			2024	5,000.00	0.00
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
Hire consultants experts			07/01/2024	5,250.00	
	1 Amount(s):			5,250.00	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5420-00-0661		2021	450.00	-107.00
Name:	SUPPLIES		2022	500.00	0.00
			2023	500.00	0.00
			2024	500.00	-890.00
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
	1 Amount(s):			0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5712-00-0661		2021	300.00	0.00
Name:	MILEAGE & CAR ALLOWANCE		2022	500.00	0.00
			2023	500.00	0.00
			2024	500.00	0.00
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
	1 Amount(s):			0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-00-5713-00-0661				
Name:	PROF GATHERINGS SEMINARS				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
	1 Amount(s):			0.00	

Budget Worksheet - All Accounts - Expenditure

Highest Budgeted Level:	1	FY25 Request	Fiscal Year	Allocated	Expended
Department: 179 CPA					
Account Number:	021-179-00-5731-00-0661		2021	1,750.00	-1,750.00
Name:	DUES AND PROF GATHERINGS		2022	1,750.00	-1,750.00
			2023	1,500.00	-1,750.00
			2024	1,850.00	0.00
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
Training and seminars			07/01/2024	1,850.00	
		1 Amount(s):		1,850.00	
Account Number:	021-179-20-5201-17-1291				
Name:	BRANCH BROOK LAND PROTECT STM 5-6-17 ART 6A				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-20-5810-17-1226				
Name:	MATT RIVER VALLEY LAND & TRAILS ATM 17 ART 29A				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-21-5201-17-1292				
Name:	FITNESS STATION STM 5-6-17 ART 6B				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-21-5870-17-1228				
Name:	DANA CT BOILER ATM 17 ART 29B				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-22-5201-17-1229				
Name:	MASTER PLN-HOUSING ATM 17 ART 29C				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-22-5201-17-1293				
Name:	CUSHMAN PARK TENNIS STM 5-6-17 ART 6C				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-23-5820-17-1230				
Name:	FHS WINDOW ATM 17 ART 29D				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-24-5820-17-1231				
Name:	LIBRARY EXT PH 3 ATM 17 ART 29E				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	
Account Number:	021-179-25-5810-18-1312				
Name:	Indian Rock Farm Land-FY18 Art 31A				
<u>Comment</u>			<u>Post Date</u>	<u>Budgeted</u>	
			07/01/2024	0.00	
		1 Amount(s):		0.00	



COMMUNITY PRESERVATION COMMITTEE

Town Hall · 40 Center Street · Fairhaven, MA 02719

Memorandum

Date: March 7, 2024

To: Angie Lopes Ellison, Town Administrator
Select Board
Finance Committee

From: Jeff Lucas, CPC Chair and Ann Richard, CPC Vice-Chair
Paul DiGiuseppe, Director of Planning & Economic Development

RE: CPC FY 25 – ATM – Articles, Motions & Descriptions

Below are the Articles, Motions and a brief description for the May 4, 2024, Annual Town Meeting recommended by the CPC for FY25 spending.

MAY 4, 2024 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT

ARTICLE _____ COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROGRAM DIRECT APPROPRIATIONS FROM FUND BALANCE AND ESTIMATED RECEIPTS FOR FY25

To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or to reserve for later appropriation, and to authorize the Community Preservation Committee to expend or reserve, from the Community Preservation Fund available funds and FY25 Estimated Receipts as set forth herein, the following amounts for community preservation purposes, with such expenditures to be subject to conditions to be specified in applications and award letters from the Community Preservation Committee, with each item considered a separate appropriation:

PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2025 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION BUDGET	
APPROPRIATIONS	
Purpose	Recommended Amounts
Reserve for Appropriation	
A. Acquisition, creation, and preservation of Open Space, and its rehabilitation and restoration.	\$70,000
B. Acquisition, creation, and preservation of Historic Resources	\$70,000
C. Acquisition, creation, and preservation of Community Housing	\$70,000
D. Emergency Reserve Account	\$20,000
Total Reserves for Appropriation	\$230,000

Spending Appropriations	
E. FHS – Boiler Room Roof Replacement (\$92.7K Und. Bal.)	\$92,700
F. Lib. – Electrical Upgrades (\$76k Est. Historic & \$309.7K Estimated Receipts)	\$385,700
G. Town Hall Repairs – Stairs and Exterior Caulking (\$30K Und. Bal.)	\$30,000
H. BBC – Carvalho Woods Conservation Project (\$110K Und. Bal.)	\$110,000
I. BPW – Phoenix Rail Trail Handicapped Accessible Tables (\$5K Estimated Receipts)	\$5,000
J. BPW – Macomber Park BMX Track (\$201K Und. Bal. & \$76K Est. O.S.)	\$277,000
K. Cushman Park Pathways (19K Und. Bal.)	\$19,000
L. FHA – Anthony Haven Window Replacement (\$100K Est. Housing)	\$100,000
Administrative Spending Appropriation	
M. To fund the Community Preservation Committee’s annual expenses for: Personal Service; Purchase of Services; Supplies; Other charges/expenditures (Estimated Receipts)	\$ 13,400
Total Recommended Spending Appropriations	\$1,032,800

And, whereas Massachusetts General Law, Chapter 44B requires that the Town appropriate for spending, or set-aside for future spending, from the fund balance at least 10% for open space, 10% for historic preservation, and 10% for community housing.

And, whereas the existing reserves and recommended appropriations for open space, historic preservation, and community housing each exceed 10% of the Community Preservation Fund Estimated Receipts.

And, whereas Town Meeting may vote to delete any of the recommended amounts.

Therefore, in the event that recommended amounts are deleted, vote to appropriate as a reserve for future spending from the FY 2025 Community Preservation Fund Estimated Receipts the minimum necessary amounts to allocate not less than 10% (\$70,000) for open space, not less than 10% (\$70,000) for historic preservation, and not less than 10% (\$70,000) for community housing.

, or take any other action relative thereto.

DESCRIPTIONS

2024 ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT CPC FY25 COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROGRAM

- A. **Open Space Reserve**: This is to reserve at least the minimum 10% of anticipated revenues to remain in compliance with the Community Preservation Act.
- B. **Historic Preservation Reserve**: This is to reserve at least the minimum 10% of anticipated revenues to remain in compliance with the Community Preservation Act.
- C. **Community Housing Reserve**: This is to reserve at the least the minimum 10% of anticipated revenues to remain in compliance with the Community Preservation Act.
- D. **Emergency Reserve Account**: A reserve account for emergencies that need funds but fall outside of the normal CPC Application and Review process. Projects would still need to be approved by Town Meeting.
- E. **Fairhaven High School Boiler Room Roof Replacement project**: Replacement of the boiler room's existing ballasted EPDM roof with a new PVC roof.
- F. **Millicent Library Electrical Upgrade project**: An upgrade to an 800 amp electrical system, the creation of a new main electrical room, and the replacement and relocation of the electrical panels as necessary.
- G. **Town Hall Stairs and Exterior Caulking Repairs project**: Repairs to the Town Hall front stairs and the exterior caulking of the building.
- H. **BBC Carvalho Woods Conservation Project**: For the Town, by and through the Conservation Commission, to purchase a conservation restriction (\$80,000) and pay for project costs and public access enhancements (\$30,000) on a 5.92 acre vacant lot at 144 Shaw Road. The CR would permanently protect the lot and allow for the creation of a walking trail from the Phoenix Bike Path near the north of the property to Shaw Road and the existing Carvalho Farm trail to the south.
- I. **BPW Phoenix Rail Trail Handicapped Accessible Tables project**: Add two handicapped accessible tables at rest areas along the Phoenix Rail Trail / Bike Path.
- J. **BPW Macomber Park BMX Track project**: Create a new BMX bike track along the north side of Macomber Park.
- K. **Cushman Park Pathways project**: Extend the paved path that goes around Cushman Park to the north and east sides, alongside the running track.
- L. **Fairhaven Housing Authority – Anthony Haven Window Replacement project**: Replace 75 windows to preserve the integrity of the public housing complex with 24 one-bedroom apartments for seniors over 60 and handicapped/disabled tenants.
- M. **Administrative services and operating expenses**: Administrative.

Motions
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING WARRANT
COMMUNITY PRESERVATION PROGRAM

Move that the Town vote to appropriate or reserve from the Community Preservation Fund annual revenues or available funds the amounts recommended by the Community Preservation Committee for community preservation projects, committee's administrative expenses, and other expenses in Fiscal Year 2025, with each item to be considered a separate appropriation.

- A. Move Adoption and to Reserve for future appropriations \$70,000 from Estimated Receipts for acquisition, creation, and preservation of Open Space, and its rehabilitation and restoration.
- B. Move Adoption and to Reserve for future appropriations \$70,000 from Estimated Receipts for acquisition, creation, and preservation of Historic Resources.
- C. Move Adoption and to Reserve for future appropriations \$70,000 from Estimated Receipts for acquisition, creation, and preservation of Community Housing.
- D. Move Adoption and to Reserve for future appropriations \$20,000 from Estimated Receipts for the Emergency Reserve Account.
- E. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$92,700 from the existing Undesignated Balance for the Fair haven High School Boiler Room Roof Replacement project.
- F. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$309,700 from the existing Undesignated Balance and \$76,000 from Historic Reserve for the Millicent Library Electrical Upgrades project.
- G. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$30,000 from the existing Undesignated Balance for the Town Hall Stairs and Exterior Caulking Repair project.
- H. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$110,000 from the existing Undesignated Balance to the Buzzards Bay Coalition Carvalho Woods Conservation project.
- I. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$5,000 from Estimated Receipts for the BPW Phoenix Rail Trail Handicapped Accessible Tables project.
- J. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$201,000 from the existing Undesignated Balance and \$76,000 from Open Space Reserve to the BPW Macomber Park BMX Track project.
- K. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$19,000 from the existing Undesignated Balance to the Cushman Park Pathways project.
- L. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$100,000 from Housing Reserve to the FHA Anthony Haven window replacement project.
- M. Move Adoption and to appropriate \$13,400 from Estimated Receipts to CPC Administrative Spending Appropriation.

Warrant Article List

draft 2
March 13, 2024

FUNDING SOURCE (if the article requires funds, ex. free cash, stabilization fund, etc. please be specific, if unsure, contact Anne Carreiro ext. 8120)	REQUESTED BY (include Department/Board/Committee)	SUMMARY OF ARTICLE (this should include the following to describe the article in detail: who/what/where/when/why/how much)	ARTICLE LANGUAGE (type the article as you are requesting it to appear in the warrant)
Borrowing	Broadband Study Committee	FUNDING FOR THE FIBER OPTIC PROGRAM	Vote to authorize the Treasurer to borrow, with the approval of the Select Board, up to \$20,645,527 to fund a town wide fiber optic internet system as provided in Massachusetts General Laws chapter 44, Section 8(8).
Fee collected for internet access.	Broadband Committee	Establish a Municipal Fiber Enterprise Fund	Establish a Municipal Fiber Enterprise Fund. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of General Laws Chapter 44, Section 53F ½ establishing the Fairhaven Municipal Fiber as an Enterprise Fund effective for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025; or to take any other action relative thereto.
Water Enterprise Fund	Water Department / Board of Public Works	Water Enterprise Fund Operating Budget	To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the FY25 Water Enterprise Fund Operating Budget or take any other action relative thereto.
Sewer Enterprise Fund	Sewer Department / Board of Public Works	Sewer Enterprise Fund Operating Budget	To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to fund the FY25 Sewer Enterprise Fund Operating Budget or take any other action relative thereto.
Chapter 90	Board of Public Works	State Aid to Highways	<p>A. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Public Works to accept and enter into contract for the expenditure of any funds allotted or to be allotted by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for the construction, reconstruction and improvements of Town roads, or to take any other action relative thereto.</p> <p>Request: Adoption</p> <p>B. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate and transfer from available funds the sum of \$(ADD \$ AMOUNT HERE) for capital improvements on local roads, subject to the conditions detailed by the Massachusetts Highway Department pursuant to Chapter 90, Section 34 of the MGLS and the Transportation Departments Chapter 90 Guidelines, or to take any other action relative thereto.</p> <p>Request: \$ (ADD \$ AMOUNT HERE)</p>
General Fund - removed from budget request	Board of Public Works	New Equipment - Highway Department and Park Dept	<p>To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and/or transfer from available funds, a sum of money for the following purposes or to take any other action relative thereto.</p> <p>Highway Department Request: \$30,000.00</p> <p>Park Department Request: \$20,000.00</p>
Free Cash	School Committee	TRANSFER FROM SURPLUS REVENUE TO FUND SPECIAL EDUCATION RESERVE FUND	To see if the Town will vote to transfer \$34,801 from Surplus Revenue (Free Cash) to be deposited in the Special Education Reserve Fund as authorized by Chapter 40, Section 13E of the General Funds.
Sewer Capital Improvements Stabilization Fund	BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS	Transfer from Sewer Capital Improvements Stabilization Fund to Sewer Nitrogen Plant	<p>To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Sewer Capital Improvements Stabilization Fund to Article Sewer Nitrogen Plant (TM23 Article 15A \$70,000.000) or to take any other action relative thereto.</p> <p>Amount Available to Transfer: \$2,328,760.07</p>

Warrant Article List

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General Fund	Board of Public Works	Road Work FY25	To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow or transfer from available funds a sum of money to do the following roadwork, or take any other action relative thereto: <i>Request: \$425,000 -to be verified</i>
n/a	Board of Public Works	Flow Neutral Bylaw	Placeholder Storm Neutral Bylaw is still being drafted
n/a	Board of Public Works	Drought Bylaw	Placeholder This is in litigation
Sewer Enterprise Fund	Board of Public Works	TRANSFER FROM SEWER PROJECT TM 5-6-17 ARTICLE 14B TO SEWER NITROGEN PLANT ARTICLE TM 6-18-22 ARTICLE 15A	To see if the Town will vote to transfer a sum of money from the Sewer Project Article 14B from TM 5-6-17 to Article 15A Sewer Nitrogen Plant from 6-18-22 or to take any other action relative thereto. Amount Available to Transfer: \$280,364.48
Revolving Fund	Fire Department	Hazardous Materials Revolving Fund. Authorized to spend by the Fire Chief. Disposal fees/charges not to exceed \$100,000 in any fiscal year.	This is normally included by TA however the Chief wanted a google form submitted to verify his need to continue the revolving fund.
General Fund - Free Cash	Fire Department	Requesting \$12,000 as a 5% match for a FEMA Grant submitted for 40 sets of fire gear. Current gear is at the end of it's life and must be replaced to comply with NFPA standards.	\$12,000 request for a 5% match for a FEMA Grant to purchase new fire gear.
Capitol - Stabilization	Fire Department	Requesting \$2,000,000 for acquisition of land for public safety complex	Requesting \$2,000,000 be transferred from the Capital Stabilization for the appraisal and acquisition of property for a future public safety complex. Includes legal support.
None	Fire Department	Proposal to increase Fire Department Fee Schedule	Request to increase the fees associated with permits and inspections at the Fairhaven Fire Department.
n/a	Fairhaven Police-Animal Control	Adoption of new animal control bylaws to align with MGL Ch. 140 s 136a-174f	Amendment to Bylaws Governing Animals, Dogs, and Animal Control in the Town of Fairhaven. To see if the town will make amendments and additions to Bylaws Ch. 87,206,405 to bring bylaws in line with MA General Law and other statutes.
NA	Planning Board	Proposal to amend the zoning bylaw for primarily administrative changes as well as promoting small scale growth	I'll provide the full amendment separately.
NA	DPW, Conservation, and Planning	Updating the Stormwater Bylaw Chapter 194, Zoning Bylaw Ch 198-31.1 and Ch 322-26	To be submitted separately
Prior Article Revision	Joanne Correia - Assessors' Office	Town Meeting 5-6-23 Article 11a (line 4) Revision - \$25,000	The Assessors' Office is requesting a revision to the description of line 4 in Article 11a of the May 6, 2023 town meeting article, from Personal Property Audits in the Assessing Department to Assessment Audits. This request will allow the remaining funds totaling \$5300 to be used on Real Estate audits if needed.
n/a	Board of Assessors	Assessment of New Construction	The Board of Assessors is requesting for the Town of Fairhaven to adopt Section 40 of Chapter 653 of the Acts of 1989, to allow the assessment of new buildings, structures, or other physical improvements that occurred between January 2nd and June 30th, for the fiscal year beginning July 1st.
Community Preservation Act Funds	Community Preservation Committee	The FY 25 CPC recommendations for funding	To see if the Town will vote to appropriate or to reserve for later appropriation \$1, 032,800, and to authorize the Community Preservation Committee to expend or reserve, from the Community Preservation Fund available funds and FY25 Estimated Receipts as set forth herein, the following amounts for community preservation purposes, with such expenditures to be subject to conditions to be specified in applications and award letters from the Community Preservation Committee, with each item considered a separate appropriation: (More details will be included)

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FUNDING SOURCE (if the article requires funds, ex. free cash, stabilization fund, etc. please be specific, if unsure, contact Anne Carreiro ext. 8120)	REQUESTED BY (include Department/Board/Committee)	SUMMARY OF ARTICLE (this should include the following to describe the article in detail: who/what/where/when/why/how much)	ARTICLE LANGUAGE (type the article as you are requesting it to appear in the warrant)
NA	Ad Hoc Tree Bylaw Panel	Revise Chapter 76: Tree Warden to update qualifications. Create new Bylaw Chapter 88 to address the management of public shade trees.	To be submitted separately.
Free Cash	Dept of Planning and Economic Development	The Dept of Planning & Economic Development requests \$25,000 to be used to hire a consultant to help update the Zoning Bylaw to implement the Town Master Plan starting in FY 25.	To see if the Town will vote to pay \$25,000 from Free Cash for a consultant to help update the Zoning Bylaw to implement the Town Master Plan. These funds will be combined with other funding sources to complete this initiative.
CITIZENS PETITION	Connie Hilton	Street Light on pole 30412 across from 20 Bass Creek Road	
CITIZENS PETITION	Adam Rogers	Additional Liquor License	To see if the Town will vote to amend authorize the Select Board of the Town of Fairhaven to petition the General Court for the passage of legislation authorizing the issuance of a Restaurant/All Alcohol License to Southcoast Pickleball LLC of 4 David Drawn Blvd. in the Town of Fairhaven, notwithstanding any limitations on the number of licenses issued under teh provisions of Chapter 138 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended. This license is non-transferable to another location, but the licensing authority may grant the license to a new applicant at teh same location.
CITIZENS PETITION	Robert Santos	Revoke Article 22 from Annual Town Meeting of May, 2023	Revoke article 22 from Annual Town Meeting in May, 2023 and put the issue on the ballot and let the voters decide
CITIZENS PETITION	Stevie Pimentel	Revoke Article 22 from Annual Town Meeting of May 6, 2023	Revoke article 22 from Annual Town Meeting in May, 2023 and put the issue on the ballot and let the voters decide