

TOWN OF FAIR HAVEN, VERMONT

Selectboard, Water & Sewer Commissioners, Liquor commissioners, Cemetery Commissioners

REGULAR Meeting -- Tuesday, September 1, 2026 -- 7:00 P.M.

Zoom Meeting Link: <http://us02web.zoom.us/j/85646551688>

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UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Members Present: Sam Lucci, Chadd Viger, Rich Greenough, Keith Hier, Dennis Reid

Others Present: Interim Town Manager William Humphries, Recording Secretary Claire Stanley, PEG TV, Rose Anne VanLew, Ann Finley.

Call to Order: Chairman Viger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and led the assembly in reciting the pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Amendments to the Agenda: Mr. Lucci made a motion to add "*handicap Access*" to New Business; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

Mr. Lucci made a motion to add "*NBRC Authorization*" to New Business; seconded by Mr. Hier and passed.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Lucci made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 18, 2026, meeting; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed

Department Head Reports: Interim Town Manager Humphries reported:

Police Dept.

- * 6 arrests (46 yr. to date)
- * 71 traffic/municipal violations (1854 yr. to date)
- * 13 written warnings (530 yr. to date)
- * 4 parking violations (37 yr. to date)
- * 2 car crashes (25 yr. to date)
- * 23 sets of fingerprints (44 yr. to date)
- * 168 calls to service (4165 yr. to date)
- * A financial report was included
- * Received a car radar (\$1900) and a pole mounted speed sign (\$3900) from Governor's Highways Safety Program grant; made possible by our Dept. continued dedication and participation in the program.
- * Officers also assisted the Governor's Highways program by staffing the educational booth at the Essex Fair and presenting safety demonstrations there.

Town Manager Report & Communication: Other Dept. reports are locked in the office; no key is available at this time. Information will be provided to members tomorrow.

OLD BUSINESS None

NEW BUSINESS

Small Business Loan Approval: Bob Workman has applied for a loan to install an oven in the soon to open Deli at the former Howe Law office. Chairman Viger explained the Revolving Business fund; expected to be paid back in five years; several were granted in the past. The matter is tabled until research of the procedure can be done by the EDC.

Handicap Access: The rear entryway and door to the Police Dept. have deteriorated over the years. Two quotes were received. Discussion was of quality of material used; steel/aluminum door. Mr. Greenough **made a motion** to go with the aluminum option from Royal Group, Rutland, VT; cost \$19,386.05 including the opener. The motion was seconded by Mr. Lucci and passed unanimously.

NBRC Authorization: Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to authorize Interim Manager Teresa Perry, on behalf of the Town, to apply for and expend the Northern Borders Regional Commission grant for the engineering and redevelopment of the Hampton Property Development Project. Also to authorize Chairman Chadd Viger to sign the document. The motion was seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed unanimously.

Two Minutes for Public Comment: Ms. VanLew extended Kudos to John Bruso who did a good job organizing and presenting Slate Valley Showcase. It's nice to have younger people involved doing stuff.

Parking Lot: No discussion

Board Roundtable: Mr. Reid commented, in response to a memo from Ms. Stanley, is it possible to include some kind of educational information with application for events in the Park. People do not know about ordinances and policy re: conduct in the Park. Example: no cars or alcohol in the Park. Chairman Viger said, we can do a quick one-pager. * Mr. Reid commented about the cost (\$650) for providing sound for a Concerts in the Park season. * Brief discussion re: process for Manager search; a committee will be formed. * He mentioned that the Main Street bridge shows deterioration; it is Town owned; need to attend to research funding; repair(s) should be done sooner than later, top priority.

* Food Truck Frenzy tomorrow night.

Mr. Lucci agreed with kudos for Mr. Bruso re: Slate Valley Showcase; he appreciates the effort.

* He again reminds people to register their dogs and sign on to VT Alert. * Have received 8 applications for the Town Manager position, 6 are in-State.

Mr. Viger commented he appreciates the dog registration reminders and registered his own.

Review of Financial Reports: The **checkbook** balance is \$792519.37

Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to pay the Payroll warrant, \$44,663.11; seconded by Mr. Hier and passed unanimously.

Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to pay the General Fund warrant, \$104,205.87; seconded by Mr. Hier and passed unanimously.

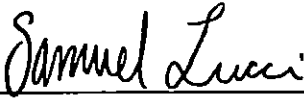
Executive Session: Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to enter into Executive Session, 1 VSA 313 (a)(3), at 7:37 p.m.; to include Interim Manager Humphries to discuss Legal/Personnel. The motion was seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

The recording secretary was excused at this time.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:14 p.m.

Adjourn: Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Claire Stanley



Sam Lucci Board Clerk