

TOWN OF FAIR HAVEN, VERMONT

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

REGULAR Meeting -- Tuesday, October 13, 2026 -- 7:00 P.M.

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

Phone: 1 929 205 6099 | Meeting ID: 8564 655 1688

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

Others Present: Interim Town Manager/Accountant Teresa Perry, Recording Secretary Claire Stanley, Peg TV, Chuck Rountree, Rose Anne VanLew.

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 to New Business, *Appoint a Select Board Member*; add *September 22* to Approval of Minutes; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

Department Head Reports: Interim Town Manager; Police Chief Humphries reported:

- * 5 arrests (56 yr. to date)
- * 76 traffic/municipal violations (2126 yr. to date)
- * 17 written warnings (586 yr. to date)
- * 2 parking violations (42 yr. to date)
- * 4 car crashes (33 yr. to date)
- * 17 sets of fingerprints (308 yr. to date)
- * 164 calls for service (4703 yr. to date)
- * Ptl. Cheri McDermott begins her 9th year with the Dept.
- * Ptl. Craig Watrous Sr. begins his 6th year with the Dept.
- Thank you for your service
- * In the month of September, the Dept brought in revenue of approximately \$29,169.29

Town Manager Report & Communication: Interim Town Manager; Police Chief Humphries reported:

- * Because of the Holiday, there was very little time to prepare a report and the payroll.
- * Met with the Water Dept. today; they expect to start hydrant flushing this week.
- * Have sent out advertisement for the public hearing re: Zoning Ordinance change

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to approve the minutes of the September 29, 2026, meeting; seconded by Mr. Reid. CORRECTION. The Board came out of executive session at 9:30, no action taken; Mr. Lucci **moved to adjourn** at 9:31; seconded by Mr. Reid and passed. The motion to approve carried.

Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to approve the minutes of the September 22, October 5, and October 6 special meetings; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

OLD BUSINESS

Chuck Rountree – Support for Crosswalk on Rte. 4a in Castleton at Community Center

Interim Manager Humphries said a packet of information is in members' packets. Mr. Rountree reported there are 365+ involved in the Community Center, ; there are only 24 parking spaces at the Center parking lot; other vehicles use the Center owned parking lot across the street. He requests support -- in the form of a letter of support -- for a crosswalk to that parking lot. It is not political, but a safety issue as some of the Ctr. patrons are seniors with disabilities. The Castleton Select Board can answer questions. At Mr. Viger's inquiry, the Town of Castleton has not done the crosswalk because the road is owned by the State. At Mr. Lucci's inquiry, the State is not disinclined to do the work, but for budgeting purposes need to determine which of these safety matters are most necessary. Mr. Rountree said all agency people will be receiving an information packet, and support is important. Ms. VanLew said she supports writing a letter of support for this project. Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to sign on to a letter of support for a crosswalk on Rte. 4a in Castleton at the Community Center; seconded by Mr. Greenough. Chairman Viger said it is good to support a project for the Center that Fair Haven supports through appropriation. The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Appointment of Health Officer -- 3 Year Term: Dan Pennington is Assistant Health Officer. Mr. Reid **made a motion** to appoint Mr. John Lulek for a three (3) year term as Health Officer; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

DPW Purchase of Man Lift Basket: Tabled

Appoint Select Board Member: Chairman Viger said there is a vacancy with Mr. Hier's resignation; the appointment is for the rest of his term. The plan is to start tomorrow to get the word out on social media, newspaper and word of mouth to solicit resumes for the position. Resumes to be returned in two weeks for the next Select Board meeting; the Board would then review for decision by the following meeting

Parking Lot: Mr. Lucci said he contacted VLCT re: his submission of revised Rec ordinance and was told there would be an answer soon.

Two Minutes for Public Comment: Ms. VanLew said she is anxious for parking space painting to be done. She noted temporary lines are "screwed up". Chief Humphries said he will check markings tomorrow.

Board Roundtable: Mr. Reid commented that * the striping at the War Memorial and at the intersection of Main St. and South Park Place are not done. * He would like to see a winter maintenance plan. Chairman Viger said to include that on the next agenda.

Mr. Greenough said he agrees with Mr. Reid, that there were issues not addressed last winter.

Mr. Lucci asked, will streets be shut down for Halloween as was done last year. He has heard little or no feedback. Chief Humphries said there was overwhelming support. DPW and Police monitored traffic last year.

Review of Financial Reports: The checkbook status is \$161,785

Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to pay the payroll warrant, \$41,383.29; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed

Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to pay the general accounts warrant, \$273,799.86; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

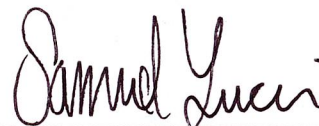
Executive Session: Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to enter into executive session at 7:42 p.m. to include Bill Frazier, 1 VSA 313 (a)(3), Legal/Personnel. The motion was seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

The recording secretary was excused at this time.

The Board came out of executive session at 8:30 p.m. Mr. Lucci **made a motion** to authorize Chairman Viger to negotiate of behalf of the Board in contract negotiations with candidates for Town Manager; seconded by Mr. Greenough and passed.

Adjourn: Mr. Greenough **made a motion** to **adjourn** at 8:31; seconded by Mr. Reid and passed.

Respectfully submitted, Claire Stanley

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Samuel Lucci". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. Below the signature is a horizontal line.

Sam Lucci, Board Clerk