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# From The Editor

WEST ISLAND —  
A day late and many dollars short.



Beth David, Publisher

Well, the winter that never was, finally showed up, huh?

A little bit of snow, a lot of cold. Perfect January and February weather. But...HEY, Old Man Winter, it's MARCH!

And you know what that means? Forget about that weather. We finally change clocks this weekend. Daylight Savings Time has arrived. YIPPEE!

Old Man Winter can try and try, but it's time for you to move on. We are heading into spring.

We have some meeting coverage for you this week. It's budget time, and both towns are starting to talk about the numbers.

Fairhaven hired a new police officer, and he got pinned at the Selectboard meeting last week. Welcome aboard Christopher Beauregard. See page 13 for that.

It's also election time. The candidate statements are starting with this week's issue. We started with the Selectboard races in both towns. Both towns actually have contested races. Both incumbents are facing challengers, so that's always fun. See page 18 for Fairhaven and page 19 for Acushnet.

The events are starting to pick up, too, now.

The happenings pages are really starting to get jam packed with fun stuff to do every weekend, including some outside stuff. BRRR...

It's also scholarship time for the seniors. Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars has a slew of opportunities for high school seniors to get some help with college costs. See page 3 for a pretty extensive list.

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## CORRECTIONS/CLARIFICATIONS

# Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars announces available scholarships

*Press Release*

Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars, Inc., announces the following scholarships will be available for 2019. **Application period closes on April 20, 2019.**

Create profile/apply at <https://fairhaven.dollarsforscholars.org>. NEW scholarships are being added constantly. Check your profile weekly to see what NEW scholarships you qualify for both at the local and national level. The following scholarships are available to area students:

**Barton B. Leach Memorial Scholarship** Awarded to a Fairhaven High School student who best exemplifies the integrity, honesty, sportsmanship and citizenship of the late Barton B. Leach.

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**Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars Curtis L. Lopes Memorial Scholarship** Awarded to a Fairhaven High School graduating senior who will be pursuing a degree in chemistry or the sciences and who will be attending UMASS Amherst. Student must be in good standing and have participated in community service.

**Fairhaven Dollars for Scholars Scholarship Fund in Memory of Myra A. Lopes** Awarded to a Fairhaven High School senior who has demonstrated character, leadership and has been an active participant in community service.

**FDS Fairhaven Improvement Association Jean Campbell Scholarship** Awarded to a Fairhaven resident

who attends either Fairhaven High School, Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical HS, Bishop Stang HS, Tabor Academy or Bristol County Agricultural High School. The scholarship will be awarded to a senior student who exhibits good citizenship and especially shows involvement in community service.

**FDS Fairhaven Improvement Association 2019 Scholarship in Memory of Richard Nerbonne.** Established in 2008 to honor a college bound senior who exemplifies character, leadership and especially participates in community service. The recipient must be a well-rounded individual who has shown pride in our town, performed community service throughout his or her four years of high school and is a well-respected student. Awarded to a Fairhaven resident who attends either Fairhaven High School, Greater New Bedford Regional Technical Vocational HS, Bishop Stang HS, Tabor Academy or Bristol County Agricultural High School.

**FDS Fairhaven Mariners Scholarship** Established by FHS graduates who have pursued successful careers in the maritime industry. Will be awarded to an FHS senior who will be attending a maritime academy and/or maritime institute and is in good academic standing.

**FDS Fairhaven Public Safety Scholarship** Awarded to a graduating

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# Fairhaven Selectboard reviews budgets, TM articles

By Beth David  
Editor

The main event at the Fairhaven Selectboard meeting on Monday, 3/4, was the FY20 budget. The board heard from the Fire Department, Public Works Department, School Department, and Town Clerk's Office. The board also received Town Administrator Mark Rees's annual report.

The board decided not to vote on any budgets because board member Charles K. Murphy, Sr., did not attend the meeting because he was traveling out of state and got delayed due to the snow.

Highlights and changes of the budget include the recommendation to hire a garage superintendent at \$65,479 per year to help offset costs associated with modernizing the fleet of the BPW and Police Department.

Mr. Rees also said his new budget recommendation creates a new line item called "Sanitation," that combines solid waste expenses that have previously been spread out in different places. Instead of recycling being in the BPW budget, and trash pick-up being in the Board of Health

budget, they will both be under Sanitation. The amounts of the contracts are not affected, and it is not a new department, said Mr. Rees. It simply puts sanitation related costs in one place.

The new budget recommends \$21,082,516 for the school department, a 3.4% increase over last year.

The total recommended operating budget is \$50,978,082, a 4% increase over last year.

Fire Chief Timothy Francis and Deputy Fire Chief Todd Correia gave the board an overview of changes in their budget from last year. Chief Francis said he was asking for more money to hire two more full timers. He said ambulance runs were up 17% from last year.

"I don't see it going down anytime soon," he said.

Chief Francis told the board that the station is empty "too often." He wants to have two people at the station at all times. He also noted that ambulance services brought in \$1.2 million in revenue last year.

Those funds go to the town and are allocated by a vote at Town Meeting.

Board member Bob Espindola noted that there are other costs associated with hiring full time or permanent part time employees, such as medical benefits and retirement costs.

The board also heard from Public Works superintendent Vinnie Furtado.

He said the department's regular operating budget has no surprises. The department is looking to upgrade at least one vehicle in the water department, and has other equipment upgrades and maintenance, so his increases are mostly in the Capital Improvement Plan budget.

Public Works will also have to do some work on pump stations and the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The Inflow and Infiltration (I&I) work is also ongoing. That involves going to different areas of town and identifying where groundwater is getting into the sewer system. The infiltration of water from other sources wreaks havoc with the treatment plant operations and can put millions of gallons a day into the system in big rain storms. The I&I plan seeks to

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## Seeking FHS yearbooks

The Millicent Library is in the process of digitizing all the yearbooks from Fairhaven High School from the school's first year until the present. Unfortunately, the library is missing three years: 1998, 1999, 2005. If you have a copy of these, please consider helping out. You do not have to donate the books, although it would be great if you did. The library only needs to borrow them for the scanning process.

If you have any of these yearbooks, please contact archivist Debbie Charpentier at [dcharpentier@sailsinc.org](mailto:dcharpentier@sailsinc.org)

## WI Candidates Night

The West Island Improvement Association will hold its annual candidates' night on **Wed., 3/27, at 7 p.m. (doors open at 6:30) at the WIIA Community House, 41 Causeway Rd., Fairhaven.** Refreshments will be served. Come share your views and listen to the issues. Be sure to VOTE on Monday, 4/1!!

## Healthy Living Prog

Please join Community Nurse Home Care at Our Lady's Haven Skilled Nursing Facility, presenting *New Year Healthy You!* A Healthy Living Program with Barbara Canuel, Registered Dietitian, Community Nurse Home Care, on **Tues., 3/12, at 9:30 a.m., at Our Lady's Haven, Dining Room, 71 Center St., Fairhaven.**

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## Meat Raffle

Meat raffle and \$5 burgers at the Bayside, 125 Scoticut Neck Rd., Fairhaven, to benefit the West Island Improvement Association. On **Mon., 3/11.** Tickets go on sale at 6; first drawing at 7. Hope to see you there!

## Foxwoods

**Sat., 3/30/19 from 9 a.m.-7 p.m.** Join the Fairhaven Village Militia as they host their annual trip to Foxwoods Casino. **Tickets are \$30** each and includes non-stop bus ride, \$10 slot play, and free buffet or \$10 restaurant meal voucher. Raffles will also be held on board the bus during the trip. The bus will be leaving the Staples parking lot at 9 a.m.

Tickets can be purchased at Mike and Wayne's, 163 Huttleston Ave., Fairhaven or from any member of the militia. Tickets can also be purchased by contacting the commander, Ellie Sylvaria at 508-441-7566.

## Literacy Night

On **Thurs., 3/14, from 5:30-7 p.m.,** join St. Joseph's School for Family Literacy Night, Preschool-Third Grade.

All are welcome to celebrate literacy and Dr. Seuss, in a fun filled evening!

**5:30-6 Pizza \$5 per family (up to 5 people) \*Families must pre-pay.** More information to follow as the date nears.

6-6:45 Families are invited to visit different Seuss themed story stations and participate in hands on activities with their children.

6:45-7 Family BINGO! All are welcome to play and prizes will be awarded.

## Senior Talent Show

The Fairhaven Rotary Club is pleased to announce its **Fourth Annual Senior Talent Showcase at The Fairhaven Town Hall Auditorium, 40 Center St. Fairhaven, on Sun., 5/5 (NOTE DATE CHANGE), from 1-4 p.m. The event is free to the community.**

The event offers a platform for the

seniors from the South Coast and Cape Cod to show off their various talents on stage. In the past we have seen Comedians, Belly Dancers, Magicians, Spoon Players, Singers, Piano Players etc. Every participant receives a gift for participating.

"We truly have a lot of talent in our region. This year we are adding an hour onto the event to allow for more talent to take the stage," said Melissa Kucharski treasurer of the Fairhaven Rotary Club and Event Creator.

Although the event is free to the community the Rotary club does depend on corporate sponsorships and advertisers for the program book, and any profit obtained from the event goes directly to The Rotary annual scholarships.

If you would like to participate, sponsor, advertise in the program or for more information, please contact Melissa Kucharski at 508-330-4837 or [melissa@suinc.com](mailto:melissa@suinc.com)

## SAVE THE DATES:

### FALPT Annual Meeting

The Fairhaven-Acushnet Land Preservation Trust will hold its 2019 Annual Members Meeting on **Mon., 3/18, at 6 p.m. in the Millicent Library Auditorium, 45 Center St., Fairhaven.** Use Walnut Street Entrance.

### MO LIFE Gala

M.O. L.I.F.E., Inc. (Murphy and Others, Living Interdependently for Future Endeavors) is holding a **formal, Masquerade Gala Event at White's of Westport on Sat., 4/6, from 6 p.m. to Midnight.**

There will be a VIP Event from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Limited open bar, and appetizers will be served. (Tickets are limited) **Tickets for the VIP Event are \$100 and include admission into the Gala. Tickets for the Gala Event are \$50.00 per person.**

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At listening stations set up for the evening, visitors will be able to hear episodes of *Her Works do Follow*, a podcast created by students from YWCA Girls Exclusive at Keith Middle School in New Bedford. In 1889, "Her Works Do Follow Her" was inscribed on a tablet at Howard University dedicated to Martha Bailey Briggs, an influential educator and abolitionist. Through their podcast, the students are examining profiles of women such as Briggs, who are featured in "Lighting the Way: Historic Women of the SouthCoast," and reflecting on what it means to be a woman in New Bedford in the past, present, and future. Visitors can meet and talk with creators about their experiences creating a podcast and learning about women's history.

"Lighting the Way: Historic Women of the SouthCoast" explores the historical impact of women from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds who have shaped their communities, the nation, and the world.

The Museum will screen the short film *The Girl That Lit the World* beginning at 5 p.m. Jarynette Gonzalez directed, scored, and produced the short film about a young woman overcoming her fears and taking a chance to pursue her dream of becoming a rapper. An aspiring music producer and songwriter herself, Jarynette was born and raised in New Bedford. Her film debuted at the Lunafest Southcoast film festival in New Bedford in January 2019.

At 6:00 p.m. the Museum will

screen the music video *Taking Back the Power*, a new anthem for the Women's Rights Movement created by YAP! and Big Picture Anthems and featuring six talented artists from around the country. The Youth Ambassador Program (YAP!) is a partnership between the National Park Service and Third Eye Youth Empowerment. Big Picture Anthems creates dynamic media outreach campaigns that spread awareness for social issues of all kinds around the country.

Immediately following *Taking Back the Power*, young people ages 12 to 25 years will light up the night with brilliant words illuminating the lives of historic women of the SouthCoast during the "Lighting the Way Spoken Word Contest," running from about 6:10 p.m. through 8:00 p.m. Performers will compete for prizes in three age categories: 12-14, 15-18, and 19-25. A panel of judges will consider relevance, creativity, length, and originality when awarding prizes. The contest is presented by "Lighting the Way: Historic Women of the SouthCoast" in partnership with the Bristol Community College Women's Center, and the YWCA.

## Garnet Rogers

Powerful Canadian singer-songwriter Garnet Rogers presents a special **Music in the Gallery concert on Fri., 3/8, at 7:30 p.m. in the beautiful James Arnold Mansion, which houses the Wamsutta Club, 427 County Str. (corner of Union), New Bedford.** Doors open at 6:30 PM. Cash bar and a limited menu is available. Ample free parking, open to the general public for this show, is also available. Tickets are \$20 in advance online and \$25 at the door. Due to the intimate setting for the concert, seating is very limited, so advance purchase is advised which guarantees seating. For tickets go to <https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/3592310>. For further information about the concerts, write to [korolenko8523@charter.net](mailto:korolenko8523@charter.net)

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This is a rare opportunity to see and hear Garnet Rogers in an intimate venue. Garnet Rogers has established himself as one of the major talents of our time. Hailed as a charismatic performer and singer, Garnet is a man with a powerful physical presence—close to six and a half feet tall—with a voice to match. With his "smooth, dark baritone" (Washington Post), his incredible range, and thoughtful, dramatic phrasing, Garnet is widely considered by fans and critics alike to be one of the finest singers anywhere. His music, like the man himself, is literate, passionate, highly sensitive, and deeply purposeful. Cinematic in detail, his songs give expression to the unspoken vocabulary of the heart. An optimist at heart, Garnet sings extraordinary songs about people who are not obvious heroes and of the small victories of the everyday. As memorable as his songs, his over-the-top humor and lightning-quick wit moves his audience from tears to laughter and back again.

## Free Film

In memory of Onset resident Richard Wheeler, who passed away in January at the age of 88, the Buzzards Bay Coalition will offer free showings throughout March of the environmental documentary following his 1,500-mile 1991 solo kayak trip from Newfoundland to Buzzards Bay at the Richard C. Wheeler Bay Learning Center (114 Front St., New Bedford).

Wheeler dedicated his life to advancing understanding of the marine environment, the interconnectedness of all life and people's responsibility to nature.

Driven by a concern for diminishing fish populations in the western Atlantic, Wheeler undertook his 130-day kayak journey in 1991 to follow the migratory path of the extinct great auk, the "penguins" of Buzzards Bay that early explorers described. NOVA filmed the endeavor for a documentary.

**The Coalition will show "The Haunted Cry of a Long Gone Bird" hourly on weekdays between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. for the entire month of March. It will also be shown during AHA! Night on Thursday, Mar. 14 at 5:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.** To learn more about Wheeler and the Coalition, visit [www.savebuzzardsbay.org](http://www.savebuzzardsbay.org).

# HAPPENINGS/OTHER LATITUDES

## Lobster Roll Dinner

Includes chowder, coleslaw, chips, drink, coffee and strawberry shortcake. Tickets \$25. Fri., 3/22 at 6 p.m. St. Julie Billiard Church Hall, 494 Slocum Road, Dartmouth, MA.

Tickets must be purchased in advance. Call 508-991-1590.

## PJ Drive

The Acushnet Public Library has teamed up with the Boston Bruins to participate in their annual pajama drive to benefit DCF Kids and Cradles to Crayons. The PJ Drive's goal is to collect 12,000 pairs of new pajamas for children and teens in need.

The Boston Bruins PJ Drive runs through March 159. The library will be collecting new pairs of pajamas for babies, children and teens. The library hopes to collect 75 pairs.

Participating libraries will compete with other organizations for special Bruins prizes including a street hockey clinic with Bruins Mascot Blades and autographed Bruins items.

The Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners (MBLC) works with the Boston Bruins to coordinate library participation in the drive. Some libraries from around the state use the Massachusetts Library System's delivery service typically used to send books and other library materials, to send their PJs to area collection locations which increase libraries' ability to participate in the drive. PJs collected at the Acushnet Public Library will stay local and will be distributed by our local DCF.

## Bird Club

The Paskamansett Bird Club's March meeting will be at 7:30 p.m. on Wed., 3/13, at the Community Hall of Friends Meeting, 739 Horseneck Road, in S. Dartmouth. Dan and Henry Zimmerlin will present "Southeastern Massachusetts: A Photographic Journey to the Birds and Other Wildlife."

Henry Zimmerlin is a local resident who has been birding for more than half his life. He loves to post his better bird pictures on Flickr, and also sends many photos to the Buzzards Bay Coalition, especially those from the Acushnet Sawmill

Conservation Area. His 2018 photographic highlights include Pileated Woodpecker, Wood Duck, River Otter and baby foxes.

Dan is also an avid birder who has expanded his interest to include all wildlife, including fish, dragonflies, butterflies and moths. Most weekends he can be found photographing and observing wildlife in Bristol county with his father Henry. Dan, along with Mark Mello, Steven Whitebread and Tom Murray, is part of MassMoths, a project to develop a state list for the moths of Massachusetts. Dan lives in Warwick, RI with his wife and daughter.

The meeting is free, open to the public, and accessible.

## Author Events

The Acushnet Public Library, 232 Middle Rd., Acushnet, welcomes two authors next week.

### Mon., 3/11, 6 p.m.

Adventure Travel Journalist & Photographer Peter Mandel will present his *Going to Extremes* presentation. Peter Mandel hunts his stories and photos in the world's far corners, including Antarctica, India, Egypt, and Patagonia, the fjords of Norway, the mountain pathways of Japan, and the deserts of Africa. He will show slides of his most extreme travel experiences — experiencing a coup in Ecuador, visiting a "city" of penguins at the South Pole, fishing for piranha on Brazil's Rio Negro, floating in the Goodyear Blimp, sailing on an Arctic icebreaker, camping in the African bush, and kayaking to the Statue of Liberty. He welcomes questions during and after his talk. This program is sponsored by the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library.

### Wed., 3/13, 6 p.m.

Washington Post journalist Brian Murphy shares his book *ADRIFT: A True Story of Tragedy on the Icy Atlantic and the One Who Lived to Tell About It*. This book with local ties tells the story of the small ship, John Rutledge, making the Liverpool-to-New York trip in the early months of 1856 carrying mail, crates of dry goods, and more than one hundred passengers, mostly Irish emigrants. Suddenly an iceberg tore the ship asunder and five lifeboats were lowered. Four lifeboats drifted into

the fog and icy water, never to be heard from again, the last boat wrenched away from the sinking ship with a few blankets, some water and biscuits and 13 souls. Only one would survive, Thomas W Nye of Fairhaven. This is his story. The author welcomes questions during and after his talk; a book signing follows.

## Historical Talk

Westport Historical Society March Program is The Giffords of Westport presented by Richard Gifford, **Sat., 3/9, at 2 p.m. Westport Public Library, 408 Old County Rd., Westport**

Contact Westport Historical Society: [www.wpthistory.org](http://www.wpthistory.org), 508 636 6011

The Giffords were among the earliest settlers in Westport and, even today, the name "Gifford" remains a common surname among local residents. Local historian and genealogist Richard Gifford discusses the English origins of the Giffords, their early Quaker experiences in Sandwich and traces their first settlements and houses in Westport. He will also highlight some famous descendants of Westport Giffords such as Lizzie Borden, Marilyn Monroe and Winston Churchill. We invite all local Giffords to share their own family histories, too, at this program. **Suggested donation \$5.** (Snow date 2 p.m., 3/16)

## Obstacle Course

Celebrate national "Get Over It" day with the Buzzards Bay Coalition on a fun outdoor obstacle course at The Sawmill (32 Mill Rd., Acushnet) on Sat., 3/9 from 10 a.m. to noon.

During this family-friendly program, participants will be encouraged to jump, crawl, and maneuver to complete this obstacle course. The course will be designed for children aged 4 to 12, but all ages are welcome to participate. There will be space on the trail to go around obstacles, so that participants can choose which ones to engage with.

To learn more and register for this free family program, visit <https://www.savebuzzardsbay.org/events/saturday-at-sawmill-outdoor-obstacles-mar-09-2019/> or contact the BBC at (508) 999-6363 ext. 219.

The obstacle course is a drop-in style event, so guests are welcome any time between 10am to 12pm.

## Recipe of the Week

### Snowball Cookies

1 cup chopped walnuts  
1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened  
1 1/4 cups confectioners sugar  
1 tsp vanilla extract  
1/2 tsp almond extract  
2 cups flour  
1/4 tsp cinnamon  
1/4 tsp salt

Using an electric mixer, beat the butter and 1/2 cup confectioners sugar until smooth. Beat in vanilla and almond. Add flour, walnuts, cinnamon and salt. Beat until well blended. Cover and refrigerate for two hours.

Preheat oven to 375°. Remove cookie dough from refrigerator and let stand for 10 minutes. Line two cookie sheets with parchment paper. Roll dough into one-inch balls and place on cookie sheet one inch apart. Bake for 8-10 minutes. Let cool and roll in confectioners sugar.

Variation: Replace walnuts with 1 cup chopped pecans and add one teaspoon pumpkin pie spice.

*Submitted by Marie Couto*

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Online Registration for the 42nd NB Half Marathon ENDS ON 3/10 at noon, \$75. Avoid the crowds trying to register on race day and sign up now! Spend St. Patrick's Day running a true New England Racing Classic with your hosts the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick!

Being a loop course, the New Bedford Half Marathon is a great spectator race. People will have ample opportunity to watch the race in progress. Spectators can watch the beginning of the race on Purchase Street, walk down Union street to approximately the five mile mark (Rockdale Ave) and then walk back to the finish. See map at <https://newbedfordhalfmarathon.com/race-info/#SpectatorInformation> for the course information.

Another place for spectators is at the top of the County Street hill (around the 12.2 mile mark). From this vantage point spectators will appreciate the make-or-break point

for the runners as they near the end of the course.

Many make this trek between the start, the five mile mark and return to catch the County Street hill, then the finish on Purchase Street.

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identify and rectify the places where the infiltration is happening.

The total for those kinds of projects is about \$350,000 this year.

Mr. Furtado did have one request, though, that garnered some discussion. He said he wanted to bring back Kathy Tripp, who just retired, on a part time basis to help.

"There's plenty of work there," said Mr. Furtado.

He also asked for an additional seasonal person to help with grass cutting in the summer.

Peak grass cutting time is also peak construction time and is also peak vacation time, he said.

Selectboard Chairperson Daniel Freitas noted that when he was on the BPW there were 17 seasonal workers. Now there are five. The machines got bigger, he said, but so did the areas that need to be cut.

Acting Town Clerk Carolyn Hurley, who is running unopposed for her seat in the 4/1 election, also asked for funds to bring back a retired employee, former Town Clerk Eileen Lowney. Ms. Hurley said she has an assistant, and two former clerks come in to help, but it is not enough.

Ms. Hurley said there are "extremely busy" times of year, and some years have multiple elections. As soon as the local election is done, she needs to be ready for Town Meeting, usually just four weeks later. Meanwhile, dog licenses and the annual census all need processing at the same time of year. Right now, it is also voter registration, she said, which is extremely important.

In the past, she has taken work home, and so did the previous Town Clerk, she said, but that is not sustainable. She is also trying to learn the job.

"It's been daunting, to say the least," said Ms. Hurley.

She is asking for \$20,000 per year for an employee that would come in as needed, during the very busy times.

"It's overwhelming. It really is," she told the board.

She said they are processing 30 to 70 dog licenses each day, and had five people waiting in line on Monday. She noted that the additional person would improve service to the public, which is one of the board's stated goals.

"I have so many ideas to stream-

line," procedures, said Ms. Hurley, adding that some things have been done the same way for "years and years."

Maybe there were good reasons then, she said, but times change.

The School Department also addressed the board, saying that the only increase it was asking for, besides contractual obligations, was for transportation. Mr. Rees and Superintendent Robert Baldwin both told the board that the funding formula for schools in Massachusetts is flawed and needs to be changed.

Dr. Baldwin said it was barely comprehensible with 13 factors used to decide who gets what. Towns like Fairhaven, that are not big cities, tend to lose out.

What is clear, though, is that transportation needs to be included.

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only one pot of money, and the school department is doing its part to keep costs down.

"This is no longer a town problem," said Dr. Baldwin. "It's a state problem."

The board also got a quick preview of articles for the annual Town Meeting in May. In addition to the budget articles, there are a couple of bylaw articles, and many articles submitted by citizens for road paving. The board did not take any votes. The articles will be discussed a few more times before TM in May.

In a matter that was not on the agenda, but came up in the town administrator's report, the board formalized their decision not to put a recreational marijuana question on the ballot in the April 1 election. Several marijuana related articles were on the warrant at the 11/13/18 Special Town Meeting. TM voted to approve a bylaw regulating recreational marijuana sales in town. The article to extend the moratorium on recreational marijuana sales long

enough to get a question on the 4/1 ballot failed. The Selectboard can also vote to put something on the ballot, but because of the other two votes, they did not make a clear decision on that, said Mr. Rees. He advised them to vote to make it clear that the Selectboard was not going to put the question on the ballot.

The board voted, 2-0 to do that.

Mr. Espindola and Mr. Freitas both noted that they had not heard from any of the proponents of the ballot question since Town Meeting.

In another matter, the board approved use of town hall during the summer concert series held by the Fairhaven Improvement Association on Thursdays in summer.

During that discussion, Mr. Freitas brought up a subject that has been brewing on social media and throughout town in various conversation spots. A vendor from last year's Homecoming Day Fair, which is run by the FIA, is accusing the organization of deliberately forcing him out after a verbal argument with an FIA volunteer last year.

Mr. Freitas said he wanted to find a way to intercede for the man.

"Everybody's trying to do the right thing," said Mr. Freitas. "I know this gentleman. He's done a lot for the town."

Although the board members did not mention his name, Stephen Almeida has been making a public point of telling people he has been "black balled" by the FIA.

In the course of those discussions online, it was revealed that the FIA is also the reason that the Fairhaven Marketplace will not be able to operate on the same day as the Homecoming Day Fair. The office of Tourism had been promoting the Marketplace, and included that date with the hope that both events would benefit from each other's crowd.

Apparently it was because of a specific request from the FIA that the Town Administrator ordered the Office of Tourism to remove that date.

The FIA is a private, nonprofit entity, not a town department or town committee.

It was unclear if Mr. Freitas wanted Mr. Rees to facilitate a meeting or not.

In other business the board:

- Voted to appoint Shallyn Carreiro as an associate member of the Wellness Committee.

# Christopher Beaugard is newest Fairhaven Police Officer

## Press Release

The Fairhaven Police Department is proud to announce the graduation of Officer Christopher Beaugard from the Plymouth Police Academy. Officer Beaugard just completed an intensive 24-week recruit training program at the police academy that consisted of physical fitness training, defensive tactics training, driver training, firearms training, practical exercises and classroom lectures in constitutional law, criminal law, motor vehicle law, and other fields of study.

Officer Beaugard is a lifelong resident of the Town of Fairhaven, and a 2007 graduate of Fairhaven High School. He graduated in 2011 from Bristol Community College with an Associate of Science Degree in Criminal Justice. Officer Beaugard enlisted fulltime, active duty in the United States Army in 2013, and completed basic training and military police training at Fort Leonardwood, Missouri. He was then stationed at Fort Drum, New York, attached to the 543 Military Police Company.

Officer Beaugard completed a nine-month deployment to Afghanistan, where he conducted customs

service duties as a military police officer. He returned to Fort Drum, where he remained until being deployed to South Korea. Officer Beaugard completed a one-year deployment in South Korea working for the Criminal Investigations Division.

Upon returning home from South Korea, Officer Beaugard was hired by the Fairhaven Police Department in the fall. He entered the police academy on September 10, 2018 and graduated on February 22, 2019. He began his advanced training with a Field Training Officer last week.

The Fairhaven Selectboard held a badge pinning ceremony at its meeting on 2/27.

“On behalf of the entire Fairhaven Police Department, I am happy to welcome Officer Beaugard among our ranks and wish him the best for a lengthy, safe and successful career serving his hometown,” said Fairhaven Police Chief Michael Myers.



Kirsten Beaugard pins the badge on her husband Christopher at a badge pinning ceremony for the new Fairhaven Police Officer at the Fairhaven Selectboard meeting on Wednesday, 2/27/19. Photo courtesy of Alyssa Botelho.

## Fairhaven High School to perform “The Little Mermaid”

The Fairhaven High School Drama Club will present Disney’s *The Little Mermaid* from Thurs., 3/28–Sat., 3/30, at 7 p.m.; and Sun., 3/31, at 2 p.m.

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In addition to the regular shows, we are also offering a special meet-

and-greet with Ariel and her friends on Sunday, March 24, from Noon to 2 p.m. at the same location.

We will be giving tech demos, will have cast members in costume and will be offering pictures with the cast.

Cost is \$5 to enter and \$10 for a professional photo with the cast that will be signed by the cast members.

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## Hampton Beach June 22

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3/20 Providence Place, Whole Foods  
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## Special Activities

### Meet and Greet

Brad Fish, Fairhaven's New Veterans Agent, Monday March 18th 2019 from 1-2:00 p.m. at the Fairhaven Senior Center. Enjoy coffee and pastry and hear about what Brad has to offer the Veterans of Fairhaven.

### Weather Cancellations

If we have any amount of snow accumulation, there will be no shopping that day and activities may be cancelled. Call the Senior Center (508-979-4029) to confirm. So please stock up on non-perishable food items. If the Town Hall is closed because of bad weather, the Fairhaven Senior Center will also be closed.

### Southcoast VNA & Hospice

Grief Support Group, 1st Tuesday of the month Widows and Widowers Grief Support Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. 3rd Tuesday of the month General Loss Grief Support Group 5:00-6:30 p.m. Join Nancy Arnold as she provides the support you need to get through these difficult times. Call the Fairhaven Senior Center to sign up at 508-979-4029.

### Sewing Circle

Mondays 1-3 p.m., Mar. 11, 18; and Thursdays 5:45-8 p.m., Feb. 28, Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28. Call 508-979-4029 for additional dates.

### Computer Technology for Seniors

9-10:00 a.m. Participants must sign up at the main desk at the Senior Center. Bring your own laptops. The first 10 to sign up will be accepted. March 4, 6, 8, March 11, 13, 15. Unlimited number for 18, 20, 23. all classes are from 9-10:00 a.m.. Please call the Fairhaven COA to sign up.

### Got Talent?

The Fairhaven Rotary Club will be sponsoring the fourth Annual Senior Talent Showcase, Sunday, April 28 from 1-4:00 p.m. at the Fairhaven Town Hall. If you are a senior with a special talent that you would like to perform at the show, please contact Melissa Kurcharski at 508-330-4837 or [Melissa@fsuinc](mailto:Melissa@fsuinc)

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*Maya Angelou*

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# Acushnet Selectboard grapples with indirect costs

By Beth David  
Editor

The Acushnet Selectboard continued reviewing budgets at its meeting on Tuesday, 3/5. The board heard from the Golf Committee about its proposed budget, including a new wage and classification study, and from the Accounting Department with suggested amounts for charging back "indirect costs" to various enterprise funds.

Enterprise funds are accounts created from fees, and can only be used to help in the operation of the department that generated those fees. The town has three enterprise funds: the water enterprise fund from water user fees, the sewer enterprise fund from sewer fees, and the golf enterprise funds from golf fees.

The state has been pushing municipalities to more accurately charge the enterprise funds for services provided by other town departments, such as payroll, health insurance management, which are generally administered by departments in town hall, and also retirement benefits. Municipalities are supposed to calculate the percentage of time a payroll clerk, for example, spends on doing payroll for the water department employees, then charge the water enterprise account for that.

Acushnet Finance Director/Town Accountant Julie Hebert, prepared the numbers for the indirect costs. She told the board it was everything they could charge to the funds, but they could decide to charge some of it, not all. She said they could also phase it in.

She told the board that the state requires them to look at the indirect costs and use a methodology to calculate costs.

Board member Kevin Gaspar questioned some of the numbers,

saying they made no sense to him. He also said that water and sewer rates would have to be raised if the funds were suddenly being used to pay for positions, such as the Town Administrator or payroll clerk. The town needs those positions anyway, he said.

Selectboard chairperson Mike Cioper said it was actually giving money back to the taxpayers, because they are using rate payer money. Not all town residents have water and sewer.

Mr. Gaspar disagreed, saying it was not giving anything back, it was just using it somewhere else.

Ms. Hebert said they are already charging some costs to the enterprise funds.

But Mr. Gaspar persisted, saying the numbers looked "out of whack."

Ms. Hebert said she used a standard methodology, but the town could use a different one.

Mr. Gaspar especially had a problem with using the Golf Enterprise fund for the golf course. He said it was not the same as water or sewer.

Board member Roger Cabral noted that the numbers they had in front of them were the possibilities. They were not voting that night.

Mr. Gaspar said he calculated that water and sewer rates would have to go up 85 cents and 55 cents. The town sent out 400 demand notices last year, he said, which means people are already having trouble paying their water and sewer bills.

He made a vague warning to people who are not familiar with Acushnet and how it operates.

Ms. Hebert said she understood his complaint, but that he also needed to realize that the taxpayers who do not have water and sewer were subsidizing those services.

Mr. Gaspar noted that about 90%

have water. And Ms. Hebert said that if they get to 100% then they should eliminate the enterprise fund because would no longer be necessary. The point of the accounts is to fund the enterprise.

The Department of Public Works also caused a problem, since they routinely use highway, water and sewer workers interchangeable, especially on big projects.

Dan Menard of the DPW said he simply did not have the people.

"There's no way I can do it," he said, adding that the different departments use the same vehicles, too.

"I've had water guys cutting grass at the library," said Mr. Gaspar.

The board also voted to accept the new wage and classification plan for the golf course. It puts each position into a grade and level, and allows for the planned increases in minimum wage.

The board also went into executive session to discuss wage and classifications for non-union employees, against the wishes of Mr. Gaspar. He asked the board to postpone the discussion because he had a problem with his heat at his home and had to leave.

Mr. Cabral said he felt they had delayed the discussion enough times.

"We just keep kicking the can down the road," he said, adding that they would not make any decisions, or take any votes. He said he felt they could make progress on some issues, even if Mr. Gaspar was not there. Mr. Cioper agreed and the vote was 2-1 to convene in executive session.

"Thanks for the respect," said Mr. Gaspar as he left the room.

"Any time," said someone, but it was unclear who said it, and the online meeting video does not show the exchange, although it is also unclear if the open session had been adjourned.

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**FDS Fairhaven Road Race Scholarship GNBVT** Awarded to Fairhaven and Acushnet seniors graduating from Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. Applicants must be college bound students who participated in cross country track and field sports. This is a renewable scholarship.

**FDS Fort Phoenix 5k Road Race Scholarship in Memory of Curtis L. Lopes II** Awarded to a senior at Fairhaven High School who has shown and demonstrated the importance of community service through participation during their high school years.

**FDS Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge Scholarship** Given in memory of all domestic violence victims in the town of Fairhaven. Scholarship will be awarded to a student who is in good standing and pursuing a degree in criminal justice or law enforcement.

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**FDS Fort Phoenix Polar Plunge Scholarship Honoring Firefighters and Emergency Medical Responders** Awarded to a senior student who is in good standing, pursuing a degree/certificate in Fire Science and/or as an Emergency Medical Responder. Student must be a Fairhaven resident who either attends Fairhaven High School or Greater New Bedford Regional Vocational Technical High School. Student must be in good standing and participated in extra curricular activities.

**FDS Kathleen M. Rocha Scholarship** Mrs. Rocha gave of herself to help others, had a good sense of humor, and also was unselfish and hardworking. She loved the Rogers School community and was involved in activities and clubs both within the school and the town of Fairhaven. The recipient of the scholarship should embody the qualities for which the scholarship is named and must also be a graduate of the Rogers School.

**FDS Leroy L. Wood-Victoria Pilling Aguiar Scholarship** Established in memory of Victoria Pilling Aguiar by the Leroy L. Wood School PTO. To be eligible you must have graduated from the Leroy L. Wood School and have participated in community service activities

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# Candidate statements: Fairhaven Selectboard



**Daniel Freitas**

My name is Daniel Freitas and I am a candidate for Re-election to the Select Board of the Town of Fairhaven. I'm a lifelong resident of Fairhaven. I raised my two daughters in town. I have served on numerous advisory boards throughout the years and have been a town meeting member for over 20 years. Prior to being elected to the Select Board, I served 5 years on the Board of Public Works. I worked for the Town for almost 20 years as a

Water Treatment Facility Plant Operator. I also served for 12 years as a call firefighter. I am currently the Chief Wastewater Operator at Mass Maritime Academy.

When I first ran for the position almost three years ago, I stated several goals, which have been met:

I wanted to make doing business with the Town a bit easier. I asked for a better website to assist our residents with getting permits, making payments and such. We now have that website.

Many residents voiced their opposition to losing the vacant Rogers School to demolition. We are in the beginning stages of selling this landmark. According to the prospective buyer, they are not going to change the outside structure of the main building.

At one time it was common for Select Board meetings to last until late evening hours. As Chairman, I have streamlined those meetings. We are able to get our business finished in record time.

We have all noticed the empty storefronts around town. I've worked to keep the town more business-friendly and we now have stores moving into vacant buildings.

I have many goals for the future, which include:

- Maintaining a balanced budget.
- Working on getting the remainder of the Atlas Tack building demolished. It will be an uphill battle but I believe if we persist we can get some movement on this blight on the Pleasant St. neighborhood.
- Assisting in the planning of a Public Safety complex for our Police Officers and Firefighters as well as the upcoming rebuild of the sewerage treatment facility. My goal will be for our town officials to "sharpen their pencils" and keep costs to a minimum. I have shown that with my leadership we can keep a lid on these costs.
- Continuing my personal policy of making myself available to hear the voices of those that I represent. My first responsibilities are to the taxpayers. I work for you!

I respectfully ask for your vote on Monday, April 1st ! Thank you!



**Lisa Plante**

My name is Lisa Plante and I am a candidate for Selectman. I have lived in Fairhaven 48 of my 49 years and I can't imagine myself living anywhere other than "The Neck."

Fairhaven gets "into you" and it's impossible to stray too far without being homesick. I am a mother to three wonderful children. Robert (27) is a senior at UMD and graduating this spring with a Degree in Bio Engineering. My daughters Kayla

(17) and Kristen (15) are students at FHS. I also have a 7-year-old granddaughter Lillian who attends Wood School.

My late father Paul Schroeder taught me at an early age how important it is to serve your town. There was nothing more important to my dad than finding ways to volunteer and serve the town he chose to settle in and raise a family.

From volunteer Fireman, to town meeting member, to Commission on Disability, you could always find my dad involved. My platform is rather simple. I want to see A More Fiscally Responsible Fairhaven. We are a small municipality and I feel we may be growing our Town Government too big too fast. Just because we have money doesn't mean we should spend it. Sometimes saving for that inevitable rainy day is a smart idea.

I have been a town meeting member for over twenty years. I joined the Commission on Disability and served alongside my father until I decided to seek appointment to the finance committee. Last year and presently I am serving in the position of Vice Chairman. I believe my background on the Finance Committee will be very helpful as a Selectman, with my experience working on the budget and having learned how the town runs from a financial standpoint .

Transparency is very important to me. Keeping votes and choices in the hands of the people of Fairhaven is of utmost importance to me. I don't want to see any more positions or important decisions given to one person to decide. The people should always have a say in town government. People need to know that their voices matter and that they are being heard. I admire the selectmen for holding office hours and I plan on doing the same when I'm elected. Sitting in the Selectman's chair is NOT about ego, it is NOT about power, it IS about serving the people of Fairhaven. When elected I vow to be fair, transparent, and most importantly HONEST.

I can be reached at 508-971-4761 and lplante12@gmail.com. I look forward to continue serving the people of Fairhaven as your next Selectman.



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# Candidate statements: Acushnet Selectboard



**Mike Cioper**

I, formally, announce my candidacy for Selectman. I was born and raised in Acushnet and am a lifelong resident and continue to raise my children here. I have over 32 years of experience serving this great community. The last seven years, I have served as the maintenance

mechanic of the Acushnet Housing Authority and served as an elected and appointed official for six terms on the Board of Assessors, the Conservation Commission, Growth Management and six years as your Selectman.

I demonstrated sound conservative values and continue to share my love for this community. I pride myself in volunteerism and am a 24+ year member of the Acushnet Lions Club, an organization that has supported our great town and continues to help many families in need.

As stated in the past, I am not opposed to moving forward. On the contrary, I have learned an important lesson through the years that today we must spend wisely, only on our needs not on our wants. As exhibited with the town's recent technology upgrades, emergency radio upgrades, updated accounting systems, updated school safety & security, purchase of two new ambulances and the affordable purchase of a refurbished fire ladder truck.

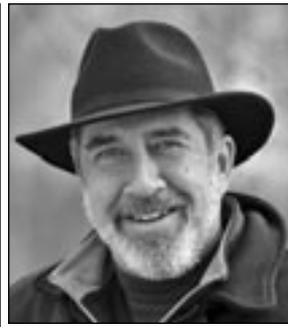
The Board of Selectmen are a diverse group of individuals that may not always agree, which is a reflection that our democracy is alive and well.

Given the opportunity to continue my service, as your Selectman, I will:

- Continue to work to meet the needs our great community and assist our veterans with additional housing within the former Russell Memorial Library;
- Continue the Parting Ways Building renovation at minimal cost to our taxpayers;
- Implement the Comprehension Waste Water (Sewer) Management Plan (CWMP) to provide sewerage to identified areas.
- Continue to support local farmers (and markets) and the agricultural roots of Acushnet.
- Continue to work for all residents of our town, leaving no one behind.

In closing, I enjoy being your Selectman and am always approachable to listen and help all when possible. I respect the honor and trust the voters bestowed upon me by electing me in the past. I have always acted in the best interest of the town believing the Selectmen are not only the town's leaders but the caretakers of the town and its people. We are elected to protect the rights of the people and lead a government you can trust while ensuring the availability of necessary services for a good quality of life for all. I have worked tirelessly to ensure the town meets the needs of all of our citizens and I will continue working to ensure the town's best years are ahead.

I respectfully ask for your vote, Monday April 1st. Thank you.



**David Desroches**

I'm proud of Acushnet, I grew up here and want to give back by serving the town and my fellow residents.

I'm a professional photographer, who has deep roots in Acushnet. I went to St. Francis Grammar School, played Little League baseball at Pope Park

and, like other Acushnet students of my time, attended Saint Anthony High School in New Bedford.

My reason for running for Selectman is two-fold.

First, I've entered this election because I'm concerned about the fiscal challenges our town is facing. Waste Management, Funding Pensions & Other Post-Employment Benefits, and a need for new business ventures are issues that will require tough decisions. I believe the town has not gone far enough in its approach to these difficult situations. We need to be proactive, not reactive, to keep taxes stable.

Second, I want to give the voters of Acushnet a choice. The major responsibility of any democracy is participation. Last year's town election featured ZERO contested races. I challenge the voters of Acushnet to let their voice be heard. Our town democracy needs new ideas and direction to keep moving forward and remain strong.

As we enter the New Year, I am thinking ahead to Acushnet's future.

What course are we taking for the town and our residents as we progress through the twenty first century?

As I campaign throughout our three precincts, I look forward to hearing from you about your thoughts and concerns; and I ask for your vote, Monday, April 1st.



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## Acushnet Zoning Board of Appeals

The Zoning Board of Appeals is hereby giving notice that a meeting will be held by the Board on Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. in the Town Hall Meeting Room located at 122 Main Street.

### PUBLIC HEARINGS

- Case # 2018.08.07B-** A continuation on the case of Mr. Kevin Paim, of 561 Main Street, Acushnet who is requesting a Special Permit to be able to open and operate a hunting, fishing, and firearms retail store located at his 561 Main Street property. This request is being made under the provisions of Article 8, Section 3.3.1 B "11".
- Case # 2019.03.12A-** A hearing on the case of Mr. Marc Cordeira, of 873 Main Street, Acushnet, who is requesting a Special Permit to be able to construct an accessory apartment located at his 873 Main Street property. This request is being made under the provisions of Section 3.3.1 Section B "1": Accessory Apartment.

\*\*\*Plans are available for Public view in the Town Clerk's office during their normal business hours.

FNN, 2/28/19, 3/7/19

## PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Fairhaven

### Conservation Commission

Monday, March 18, 2019 at 6:30  
Town Hall, 40 Center Street  
Fairhaven, Massachusetts

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

- CON-19-040 **352 New Boston Road** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Peter and Melissa DeTerra for the determination of whether the proposed repair and upgrade of a sewage disposal

system is subject to the jurisdiction of the Fairhaven Wetlands Bylaw at the property located at 352 New Boston Road, Assessors Map 40, Lot 28C. Work to take place within Nasketucket River Basin.

- CON-19-041 **12 Gilbert Street** Notice of Intent filed by Eunice Eble for additions to an existing single family dwelling, including elevating the structure so that fill can be placed to eventually get the structure removed from the Special Flood Hazard Area, at the property located at 12 Gilbert Street, Assessors Map 29A, Lot 221. Work to take place within Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Flood Zone AE.
- CON-19-042 **9 Goulart Memorial Drive** Notice of Intent filed by Fernando and Diane Lemos for a landscaping project at the property located at 9 Goulart Memorial Drive, Assessors Map 42, Lot 15G. Work to take place within Salt Marsh, Buffer Zone to Salt Marsh, Bordering Vegetated Wetland, Buffer Zone to Bordering Vegetated Wetland, and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Zone VE.
- CON-19-043 **4 Balsam Street** Request for Determination of Applicability filed by Sylvester J. Vercellone for the determination of whether the proposed construction of a shed is subject to the jurisdiction of the Wetlands Protection Act and the Fairhaven Wetlands Bylaw at the property located at 4 Balsam Street, Assessors Map 43C, Lot 38. Work to take place within the Buffer Zone to Coastal Bank and Land Subject to Coastal Storm Flowage/Zone VE.
- CON-19-013 **30 Alder Street** Notice of Intent filed by April and Joel Briner for the construction of a new one-bay garage, and two additions and a new deck on the existing house at the property located at 30 Alder Street, Assessors Map 43A, Lot 15. Work to take place within Land Flowage/Flood Zone V and Buffer Zone to Beach and Bank resource areas.

Copies of the applications listed in this hearing notice may be

viewed at the Conservation Office in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

**Whitney McClees, Agent**  
Fairhaven Conservation Commission  
3/7/19

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS Fairhaven Planning Board

Tuesday, March 26, 2019 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 location.

- PL-19-017 **Utility pole #43216, in town public right of way, adjacent to 6 Fort Street, Fairhaven, MA.** Celco Partnership d/b/a as Verizon Wireless is requesting a Special Permit application for installation of Small Cell Equipment. Installation includes (1) cylindrical antenna side mounted at a top height of 25.9' above ground level, two (2) remote radio heads and associated wires, cable, meter and junction boxes to an existing 33' tall utility pole. Plans titled FAIRHAVEN MA SC07 rev.08/09/2017. Assessors Plat: 1 Lot No: 11.

Copy of the application listed in this hearing notice may be viewed at the Office of Planning & Economic Development in Town Hall, located at 40 Center Street, Fairhaven, MA.

**Wayne Hayward**  
Department of Planning & Economic Development  
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### Board of Public Works

Mon., 3/11, Arsene St., 6 p.m.

### Conservation Commission

Mon., 3/18, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Council on Aging

Mon., 3/11, Senior Ctr., 9 a.m.

### Economic Develop. Comm.

Thurs., 3/7, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### Finance Committee

Thurs., 3/7, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

Thurs. 3/14, Arsene St., 7 p.m.

### Municipal Fiber Study Com

Tues., 2/26, Town Hall, 7 p.m.

### Planning Board

Tues., 3/12 Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

### School Committee

Wed., 3/27, FHS Library, 6:30 p.m.

### Selectboard

Mon., 3/25, Town Hall, 6:30 p.m.

## Acushnet Meetings

### Board of Assessors

Tues., 3/19, Town Hall, 6 p.m.

### Council on Aging

Wed., 3/13, Senior Ctr., 10 a.m.

### School Com Policy Com

Mon., 3/4, Super. Office, 4 p.m.

### Old Colony Budget Comm

Tues., 3/5, Old Colony Caf., 5 p.m.

### Selectboard

Tues., 3/19, Town Hall, 5 p.m.

### TIDE TABLE

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

	Mar. 2019	HIGH		LOW	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	7	0821	2042	0127	1348
Friday	8	0859	2120	0205	1422*
Saturday	9	0938	2159	0243*	1457*
Sunday	10	1119	2342	0421*	1632*
Monday	11	----	1204	0459*	1710*
Tuesday	12	0031	1257	0543*	1754*
Wednesday	13	0126	1353	0637	1851*
Thursday	14	0222	1450	0746	2000
Friday	15	0320	1551	0855	2108
Saturday	16	0426	1701	1004	2218
Sunday	17	0533	1804	1119*	2333*
Monday	18	0630	1855	----	1222*

\*= Predicted minus tides from -0.1 ft. to -1.0 ft  
\*\*Predicted minus tides from -1.1 ft to -2.0 ft or more

## From our readers

### Mobilizing Others – In Love – To Serve

As time marches on, so do the vital needs of impoverished people in our local community. The Salvation Army and Mobile Ministries' faithful alliance to be front line soldiers in the effort to combat and rescue many in despairing conditions deserve our applause. Their commitment to feed, clothe and help with housing those least, last, and lowest among us is noble, necessary, and heroic to say the least.

It's not hard to imagine there are numbers of good folks in the Greater New Bedford area who are not satisfied with simply applauding the efforts of these two groups.

Compassion moves fair-minded people to help in some hands-on way. The ancient writer captures the idea in this one compelling sentence: "A city is built up by the blessing of the upright, but it is torn down by the mouth of the wicked." (Proverbs 11:11)

For the past four years, a volunteer team called Lift-in-Love has conducted a Serve-A-Thon that's raised a significant amount of money and

made visible community improvements in benefiting these two ministries. Coming into our fifth year, we are looking to make more improvements.

Our scheduled Serve-A-Thon date for this year is Saturday, September 14, 2019. Our simple goal is to increase our fundraising and expand our community service.

We are looking for people who have a fundraising sphere of influence with friends or businesses and people to serve as a volunteer in one of our many projects. Please see our web site [www.lift-in-love.org](http://www.lift-in-love.org) for full details as to our purpose and activities.

If you are inspired to come alongside to help, we'd like to invite you to our Lift-in-Love March Convention and Luncheon to be held at the Salvation Army, located at 619 Purchase Street in New Bedford on Saturday, March 30, 2019 at 11:00 am-12:30 pm. There will be an introduction to the Ministries, a tour of the Salvation Army facility, and a Lift-in-Love presentation of this year's Serve-A-Thon plans and opportunities.

As we noted earlier, the Salvation Army and Mobile Ministries deserve more than our applause. They need ready, willing, and able helpers.

Hopeful excitement generates when enough of us go beyond understanding that building a better country starts by adding to the value of the City or surrounding Town we live in. What do you say, Greater New Bedford? That's where you and our team come in!

*Steven J. Bouley,  
Lift-in-Love Facilitator*

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