

Harvest Season Greetings FPA Neighbors!

Saying goodbye to summer is always a bit sad, but no doubt the blazing fall colors, crisp air and a bite of a tart apple remind us that Maine is a special place this time of the year too. As some of us pack up, others switch from shorts to sweaters, and those who will be here in January wonder what we'll find in the Cove this winter, here's the latest from our neighborhood:



2024 Annual Meeting Minutes

We had great participation at this year's annual meeting – and a fun picnic too. For those who couldn't attend, thanks so much for sending in proxies. The minutes are attached for your information. Per the by-laws, the annual meeting is on the last Saturday in July, so save the date for next year's July 26, 2025!

2024 – 2025 Officers and Board Members

Congrats to our new President, Byron Cortez. Kellee Joost continues as Secretary as does Terry Michael as Treasurer. Thanks to Bob Woodcock for volunteering for the Board. He was elected at the Annual Meeting and joins Nate Cagle, Bob Cross, and Loretta Westphal. Tim Gallagher has also volunteered to help with the roads. Our contact info is on the website. Feel free to reach out anytime. www.farnhampoint.com/resources

Ingeborg Russell – 1934-2024

Our condolences to Inge Russell's family. If you haven't already, please read about her extraordinary life here – especially her dedication to children. [Ingeborg Russell Obituary](#).

Collecting Local Services Referrals

Know any plumbers, electricians or handymen you'd highly recommend? How about local mechanics, driveway snowplowers, or lawn maintenance companies that you love? House cleaners? Roofers? Contractors? Caretakers? If so, send Kellee an email with their info at kelleefpa@gmail.com and she'll post to the Resources section of the FPA website. Thanks for Bob Woodcock for the idea – having a collection of neighbor-vetted folks easily accessible to the FPA could be helpful to all.

Road Safety

It's not a FPA newsletter without a friendly reminder to stay safe on our narrow roads – especially with early sunsets and snow just around the corner. Please remember to:

- Keep Right – especially on the curves but everywhere else too
- Maintain the 15 mph Speed Limit – especially wise if someone else isn't "keeping right"

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The website is still up and running and is the best place to access the most up-to-date neighborhood directory and lot map. You can also update your contact information; download the FPA By-Laws and Policies and Procedures; read FPA news and download FPA guidelines for contractors doing work on your property. www.farnhampoint.com And as mentioned above, let Kellee know if you have any local service vendors you'd like to recommend – she'll create a page for these on the website.

Cheers to a quiet, whale-free and dock-free winter!

Nate Cagle

Byron Cortez

Bob Cross

Kellee Joost

Terry Michael

Loretta Westphal

Bob Woodcock

2024 Farnham Point Association Annual Meeting
East Boothbay Fire Station
10:00 AM July 27, 2024

Attendance:

- 21 voting members
- 9 proxies were provided to the Board
- Board members present: Bonnie Hunter, President; Terry Michael, Treasurer; Kellee Joost, Secretary; Nate Cagle; Bob Cross, and Loretta Westphal Absent: Byron Cortez

1. Welcome and Call to Order

Kellee Joost (standing in upon request of Bonnie Hunter), called meeting to order and established that a quorum was present.

2. Approval of 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes

Motion to waive the reading of the minutes heard, seconded, and unanimously approved.

Motion to approve 2023 Annual Meeting Minutes heard, seconded, and unanimously approved.

3. Remarks and Updates

Kellee Joost, Secretary: Kellee reported on another quiet year at Farnham Point apart from the annual occurrence of something huge washing into the Cove. After the caretaker from Inner Heron Island removed their dock from the Cove, later in the spring many conscientious neighbors pitched in for clean up. Kellee thanked them for their efforts. Collectively the meeting attendees also thanked Ray Tyrrell for his work to repair the bridge. Kellee also thanked the members of the Board for their work this year, with special thanks to Bonnie Hunter, the outgoing board member and President highlighting her calm demeanor and quiet charm that has served the Association so well.

4. Reports of Officers

Terry Michael, Treasurer:

Terry distributed proposed 2025 budget for review and approval and made the following comments:

- All members have paid their dues (one partial payment is outstanding)
- FPA is in good financial shape. We project having \$12,000 in the bank at the end of the year
- We remain on track with regards to the 10 year road paving plan developed by the board in 2022.
- If paving expenses stay relatively static, we will continue to stay on track at the current amount of dues.
- Most expenses continue to be road paving and maintenance.

Motion to approve budget as presented was heard, seconded and passed unanimously.

Bob Cross, Road Committee:

Bob discussed ongoing plans for Farnham Point roadwork as follows:

- Work on Sea Surf Rd from the end (at Levison property line) to approximately 44 Sea Surf Rd was completed in May. The high crown towards the end of the road had to be removed and the road base was improved before paving was done. The area at the very end of the road that had previously been leveled and repaired to prevent damage to snow plow equipment has also been paved. The paving contractor did not charge the FPA or the Levison family for the paving that was done on the Levison property.
- Snow plowing contractor will continue to be Jody Lewis.
- Next year's paving work plan is to begin where paving left off and go as far as possible down Sea Surf to the junction.
- If you'd like to have any paving done on your driveways next year, get in touch with Patterson & Sons paving ahead of time as you may be able to save money if they can do the work at the same time they are here to do the FPA roads paving.
- Thanks to Bryon Cortez, we have a Maine DOT name who can possibly help us address the deep catch basin hole at the entrance of FPR at state Route 96 (Ocean Point Rd). Efforts to reach him are underway.

Comment: Installing a mirror across the street from the Farnham point entrance could help with visibility with making a turn when turning from FPR onto Ocean Point Rd.

5. Election of New Board Member

Robert Woodcock has graciously volunteered to serve on the FPA board. A motion to elect him to the Board was heard, seconded and passed unanimously.

Tim Gallagher has volunteered to help the Board with any road related items. No vote necessary. Thank you to Tim.

6. Election of New Members

Robert Carey (59 Sea Surf Rd) and Elizabeth Hiller/Jason Kuhns (18 Farnham Point Rd) were unanimously approved to become members of the Association.

7. Old Business

None

8. New Business

No new business was submitted by members prior to the meeting.

Meeting Adjourned

Motion to adjourn was heard, seconded and approved unanimously.