

Minutes of the Truro Board of Health, Tuesday November 7, 2023

This was a remote meeting.

Board members in attendance:

Chair Tracey Rose, Vice Chair Jason Silva; Board Members Brian Koll, Helen Grimm, and Tim Rose (5:18 pm); Alternate Member Candida Monteith (5:14 pm); Also Present: Health Agent Emily Beebe, Assistant Health Agent Courtney Warren

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 pm by the Chair, who described the remote meeting procedures and the process for public participation.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Proposed Change of Manager: 124 Shore Rd, J Lowe's Inn, Johnny Lowe, new on-site manager; Due to technical difficulties, no one was on the call to speak to this item and it was continued to later in the meeting.

Local Variance Request: 37 Ryder Beach Road, Harriet R Meiss Trust
Laura Schofield represented the request for a local variance to the I/A requirement and they propose installing enhanced I/A at a later date. The proposed system design for this seasonal property includes enough space to upgrade to enhanced I/A when it is required. The well must be relocated. The Agent stated that the design proposal meets the Boards standard of review. The Board agreed to approve the request with the condition that a deed restriction be recorded specifying triggers for upgrade to enhanced I/A: sale, change to year-round use, or when required by regulation. **Motion: Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the variance with the condition of a deed restriction; Second: Board member Brian Koll; Vote: 4-0-0; the motion passed.**

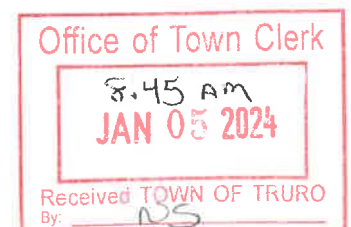
Request for local upgrade approval: 11 Knowles Heights Rd, Joseph Sciliano & Larry Richardson. PE Stephanie Sequin from Ryder and Wilcox represented the homeowners. The request allows more than 3 feet of cover, due to the grades of the existing plumbing. To mitigate the request, the SAS will be vented. The Agent stated that the design proposal meets the Boards standard of review.

Motion: Board member Brian Koll moved to approve the variance as requested; Second: Board member Helen Grimm; Vote: 4-0-0; the motion passed.

Waiver of Time: 6 Second Landing Way

Real estate agent Patty Lemme from Kinlin Grover represented the homeowner. The property is vacant right now and the buyer is in the process of getting quotes for the installation. **Motion: Board member Jason Silva moved to approve the waiver of time until the end of July 2024 with the condition of no occupancy until the system is inspected.; Second: Board member Brian Koll; Vote: 3-0-1 with Tracey Rose abstaining; the motion passed.**

Board member Tim Rose and alternate Candida Montieth joined the meeting.



Discussion on enforcement schedule for title 5 upgrades

The Agent reported that a final order to correct was recently sent to all of the homeowners in Bucket 4, those with either no progress to date or no contact with the office. As a result, some have moved into Bucket 3 (those working with engineers). At the next meeting, a further discussion will be held around the process for the list of properties eligible for ACOs.

Discussion of Outer Cape proposal to use OPIOID settlement funds

The Agent gave the Board an overview on the Outer Cape municipal process for using the settlement funds topic. Over the next 18 years, each town will receive funds from the National settlement to address Treatment, Harm Reduction, Recovery, and Prevention. Outer Cape Community Solutions with OC Health put together a working group to determine how to spend the funds. This group includes Public Health and Safety officials as well as non-profit organizations working in the SUD (substance use disorder) field. There will be a new memorandum of understanding developed for the Select Boards of each the four towns for: 1. specifying that the Outer Cape will pool the opioid funds. 2. Specifying the process for vetting projects and deciding what to fund; Board member Jason Silva asked how much money is involved. The Agent replied that it is approaching \$600K over 18 years and will continue to increase. Truro's share is 20.5% of the total. Board member Brian Koll stressed that cultural differences should be included when considering different demographics. Also, he stated that the priorities may vary depending on demographics. The 2024 plan includes awarding \$25,000 to the Aids Support Group of Cape Cod to help fund their mobile outreach van and local trainings. Other funding will go to organizations providing alternative wellness programs. The next step in the process includes presenting the overview to the Select Boards in the four towns. Chair Tracey Rose reiterated the importance of this work on the Outer Cape. Board member Helen Grimm agreed, expressed support for the proposed transportation components and asked if fentanyl test strips would also be included in the Nalox boxes.

Minutes: No changes were proposed. **Motion:** Board member Helen Grimm **moved to approve the October 3, 2023 minutes as presented; **Second:** Board member Jason Silva; **Vote:** 4-0-1 with Brian Koll abstaining; the motion passed. **Motion:** Board member Jason Silva **moved to approve the October 17, 2023 minutes as presented; **Second:** Brian Koll; **Vote:** 5-0-0 (vote includes alternate Candida Montieth and not Helen Grimm)****

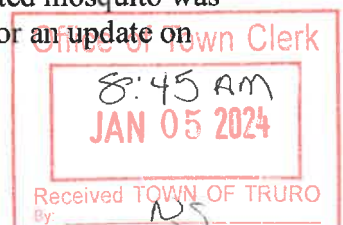
Proposed Change of Manager: 124 Shore Rd, J. Lowe's Inn, Johnny Lowe, new on-site manager; Technical issues were resolved, allowing the Board to return to the first agenda item. Mr. Lowe introduced himself and Chair Tracey Rose reminded the applicant of the expectations of the Board of Health for an on-site manager. **Motion:** Board member Brian Koll **moved to approve the new on-site manager for 124 Shore Rd;** **Second:** Board member Helen Grimm; **Vote:** 5-0-0; the motion passed.

Report of the Chair- Reminded the Board about Special Town meeting and also updated them on the upcoming Provincetown Water and Sewer Board meeting to be held Thursday November 9, 2023.

Health Agent's Report

The agent informed the Board about an upcoming panel discussion on the Health of Freshwater Resources to be held at the library on Thursday evening. She gave a summary of the recent MHOA conference that the staff all attended. Also, another positive EEE infected mosquito was collected from the Outer Cape. After that, board member Helen Grimm asked for an update on ticks, particularly the Lone Star tick.

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The Board then discussed and came to consensus on canceling the second November meeting. The next meeting will be hybrid format on December 5, 2023.

Board member Tim Rose moved to adjourn the meeting; Second: Board member Jason Silva; Vote: 5-0-0, the motion passed.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Courtney Warren

