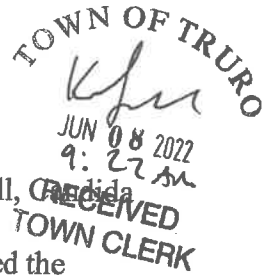


Minutes of the Truro Board of Health, Tuesday April 19, 2022

This was a remote meeting. Board members in attendance:

Chair Tracy Rose, Vice Chair, Jason Silva Board Members: Helen Grimm, Brian Koll, Priscilla Monteith, Tim Rose. Also Present: Health and Conservation Agent Emily Beebe.

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM by the Chair, Tracey Rose; she announced the remote meeting procedures and described the process for public participation.



Change of Manager: Ebb Tide Condominiums:

Priscilla Silva was on the call to present to the Board. Chair Tracy Rose iterated the importance of keeping contact information legible and readily available for the public and Ebb Tide community. Ms. Silva stated that all contact information had been posted. The Board members were all in agreement that the change of manager should be approved. **Motion:** Board member Timothy Rose moved to approve the change of manager. **Second:** Board member Brian Koll **Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Addition of co-Manager: Beach Point Co-Op:

There were technical complications on the end of the applicant. The board decided to approve the application. **Motion:** Board member Jason Silva moved to approve the new co-manager. **Second:** Board member Brian Koll; **Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Change of Manager: Sladeville Condominiums:

The applicants requested a continuance until the next Board of Health meeting. **Motion:** Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the continuance request. **Second:** Board member Timothy Rose; **Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Farmers Market: New Applicant – Ellery Althaus/Bagel Hound:

Ellery Althaus was not on the call to present his application. The board discussed his application and agreed to approve the new applicant request pending that Mr. Althaus submit the required pending documentation. **Motion:** Board member Brian Koll made a motion to approve the application with the condition that the following pending documents be submitted: 1. Documentation of the permit for the kitchen facility 2. Location of the kitchen facility be submitted. **Second:** Board member Helen Grimm. **Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Variance Requests/Local Upgrade Approval: 127 & 133 South Pamet Road, Dennis

(continued from the 4/5/2022 meeting) The applicants issued a request for continuance. **Motion:** Board Member Brian Koll moved to approve the continuance. **Second:** Board member Timothy Rose. **Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Variance Request: 51 South Pamet Road:

Jason Ellis was on call to represent the project. He explained that the proposed upgrade is needed to comply with the new cesspool regulation. The property has a 4-bedroom single family dwelling with two cesspools. The proposal is to install a new 1500-gallon tank and a leach area. The applicants are requesting a 34-foot variance to the flood zone. Chair Tracy Rose asked whether there was a new water test on file for the property. The Health Agent affirmed that one


would be on the way. Chair Tracy Rose asked why the cesspool was not upgraded in 2019 when the property transfer happened. There was no further information available at the time of the meeting to answer the Chair's question. **Motion:** Board member Brian Koll moved to approve the variance. **Second:** Board member Tim Rose; **Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the motion passed.**

Groundwater Resources Discussion

Scott Horsley was on the call to discuss groundwater resources with the Board. He explained that he is working with the Town to address nutrient loading and identify ways to comprehensively protect groundwater resources. One concern is the interaction between private wells and septic systems. Mr. Horsley explained that one issue for properties served by private wells and on-site septic systems is that some wells may be downgradient from sewage systems, whether it be their own system or one from an abutting property. Those properties that have downgradient wells may likely have higher nitrogen levels. Scott Horsley is working with the Town to create a regulation to ensure that private wells are not in line with the groundwater flows from septic systems. Mr. Horsley shared an overview of some of the water resource issues that need to be addressed, including stormwater remediation. Chair Tracy Rose expressed excitement towards the upcoming stormwater and groundwater management plans. Board Member Jason Silva has a question about the woodchip treatment being incorporated in innovative alternative analysis sewage systems. Mr. Horsley explained that woodchip bioreactor systems have been incorporated to help break down the nitrogen in the groundwater before it enters the leach field. The Health Agent said that focus areas include stormwater management and wastewater management, and that she is working other Town staff to task and prioritize the plans. Board Member Jason Silva asked whether it wouldn't be more cost effective to put Truro on town water. Mr. Horsley explained that the ideal outcome would be a hybrid of some properties being serviced by town water while others would be serviced by innovative alternative analysis sewage systems. Board member Helen Grimm asked whether there were other contaminants to consider other than nitrogen, or factors that are contributing to the contamination of groundwater in Truro. Mr. Horsley stated that there are many factors to consider when talking about groundwater protection, however, the installation of innovative alternative analysis sewage systems would help filter the contaminants. Chair Board member Tracy Rose pointed out the importance of educating the public on different groundwater and wastewater issues.

Discussion on Annual Town Meeting 2022- April 30 and outdoors

The Health Agent stated that no new changes had come about since the last meeting regarding the upcoming town meeting. Chair Tracy Rose explained that the board should keep an eye on Covid in the coming days and suggested meeting or touching base in a week to make sure the public is protected. Town Manager Darrin Tangeman explained that there would be 7 tents with capacity for 200 participants. He also added that he did not incorporate a rule to have people segregate based on whether they chose to mask or not and pointed out that masking would be optional during the meeting and that it would be held outdoors. The seats will be in pairs. The Town Manager pointed out that the latest updates for the meeting will be posted on the town website on the selectboard page. Board member Brian Koll suggested using the metric calculation of 200 covid cases per 100,000 people as a trigger for returning to a masking mandate; he suggested reaching out to Outer Cape Health for COVID-19 case statistics.

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Health Agent's Report

The Health Agent stated that the Cape Cod Mosquito Control Program, the Cape Cod National Seashore, Wellfleet Health department and Truro Health department have been in frequent contact regarding the mosquito statistics.

Motion: Board Member Tim Rose Moved to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Board Member Brian Koll; Vote: 5-0-0; the vote was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Nina Richey

