

**Board of Selectmen Meeting
Tuesday, March 14, 2017**

Members Present: Chair Paul Wisotzky; Maureen Burgess, Robert Weinstein, Janet Worthington

Regrets: Jay Coburn

Present: Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer; Assistant Town Manager Kelly Clark

Chair Paul Wisotzky called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

FIRE DEPARTMENT SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

Because of the inclement weather, the Fire Department swearing-in ceremony had been postponed so that family members of the new firefighters would be able to attend.

CAPE LIGHT COMPACT-JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer reviewed the Cape Light Compact's separation from the Cape Cod Commission and the formation of the Joint Powers Agreement that Truro has been asked to enter. The Truro representative to the Compact had indicated his willingness to continue to serve on the new entity.

Robert Weinstein moved 1.) to join the Cape Light Compact Joint Powers Entity (JPE); 2.) to authorize the Chair to enter the agreement for the JPE, subject to final review from Town Counsel; and 3.) to write a letter to Cape Light Compact's JPE naming Joe Buteau as Truro's director and Jarrod Cabral as alternate director. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN ACTION

Review of Warrant List

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer presented a revised list of Articles and reviewed the items that were ready for the Warrant. These included transfers, Community Preservation Articles, borrowing items for the East Harbor culvert, non-union personnel salary increases, an amendment to the personnel bylaws regarding vacation time, the two-thirds vote rule for Town Meetings, Planning Board's request on public hearing voting eligibility, a study group for electronic voting devices, changes to the Historic Review Board, parking enforcement bylaw amendments, Charter amendments, and a Seashore District Zoning Bylaw for size. There is a petitioned Article against use of pesticides for the Herring River Restoration Project. The Ballot questions will appear at the end of the Warrant.

The Board discussed the ordering of the Articles in the Warrant. Budget items come first, Ms. Palmer said. Ordering the Articles is something that could be done considered at the work session, she said. From the audience, Bill Golden recommended moving the zoning bylaw issues towards the front of the Warrant. Board members also discussed procedure for paper ballots if they are requested for any of the Articles

Petitioned Articles

Rae Ann Palmer said two more petitioned Articles had been submitted today. One is for an amendment to Section 40 *Special Regulations* 40.2 the Affordable Accessory Dwelling Unit Bylaw and the *Use Chart* in the *Truro Zoning Bylaws*. The petitioned Article included a General Bylaw for

making the Accessory Dwellings Affordable ones, but this did not have to be referred to the Planning Board. The second petitioned Article was an amendment to the Zoning Bylaws to restrict house size in the entire town. The Selectmen needed to vote to refer the petitioned Articles to the Planning Board.

Robert Weinstein moved to forward Section 40 *Special Regulation*, 40.2 Affordable Accessory Dwelling Units and replace it with new language and refer it to the Planning Board to be placed on a public hearing on March 30, 2017. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

Maureen Burgess moved that the Article that *Truro Zoning Bylaws* Section 10.4 be amended by adding a definition, removing the existing definition and amendment of 30.2, the *Use Table*, by deleting Uses from the table, and refer it to the Planning Board for a public hearing. Janet Worthington seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

Janet Worthington moved the amendment to the *Truro Zoning Bylaws* Section 10.4 and Section 50 definitions of area and height regulations by adding a new Section 50.2 and refer it to the Planning Board for a public hearing on March 30, 2017. Maureen Burgess seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

Receipt of Reports from the Planning Board

Rae Ann Palmer said she had received two reports from the Planning Board. One was notification that the Planning Board would not be submitting an Accessory Dwelling Unit bylaw for the Warrant. There second report was to forward, with a favorable recommendation from the Planning Board, placement on the Warrant of an amendment to the *Truro Zoning Bylaws* for size restrictions in the National Seashore District.

Robert Weinstein recused himself from the deliberations on the Seashore District Zoning Bylaw.

Maureen Burgess moved to place on the 2017 Annual Town Meeting Warrant the amendment to *Truro Zoning Bylaws* for 30.3 Seashore District and include 10.4 Definitions and Section 70.9 *Waiver of Site Plan Review*. Janet Worthington seconded, and the motion carried 3-0.

Budget Update

The Town Manager explained the Budget gap between revenue and expenditures. She and the Assistant Town Manager worked with department heads to come up with a list of possible Override items. The Board of Selectmen and Ms. Palmer cut around \$200,000 from that list, leaving \$436,000 that they are recommending for a General Override. She said there are no longer one-time sources of revenue available, and use of Free Cash has been trimmed to a low sum. Override decisions by the citizens will determine what services will be cut or what they value enough for the added tax. The operating budget for departments is down by 1.28% from last year. The cut/override list had cuts of \$191,050 and a potential override of \$436,130. Ms. Palmer said that department heads had requested that the lifeguards be kept at Head of the Meadow Beach. That meant returning \$64,000, but extra hours at the Beach Office and the COA awning in the Capital Budget could be cut. She offered this information to the Board of Selectmen to help them make their decision on an Override.

Paul Wisotzky commented on the rising costs that the Town has no control over and a need for more revenue to offset them. The Town Manager said she had taken the Budget as low as possible. Janet Worthington discussed the challenge of cutting services.

Paul Wisotzky reviewed what had been cut from the Budget: an increase to the Chamber of Commerce, e-voting devices, the end of the season party, the K-9 Cruiser, Library space needs analysis, the Consulting Fire Inspector, Library Operations of \$8,400, sports scholarships, and lifeguards. Assistant Town Manager Kelly Clark discussed the need for lifeguards at Head of the Meadow Beach. Board of Selectmen members and the Town Manager further discussed lifeguard staffing, liability issues, and postings for shark awareness. Paul Wisotzky suggested that lifeguard staffing be put on the Override items to let the public decide about the service.

Rae Ann Palmer gave the Override list: a part time web position; DPW tow truck/plow/sander from the Capital Budget; \$200,000 from the Education Budget; Transfer Station hours; Human Services funding to several agencies, a share in the Community Navigator Program, and youth sports. The total for a General Override is roughly \$436,000 or, with the Beach Office, \$490,000.

Selectmen and the Town Manager discussed staffing and days of operation at the Transfer Station. Ms. Palmer said the reduced schedule at the Transfer Station was clear in last year's Budget. Now it is on the Override list. She said that the figure for the Override is about the same as the one-time sources of revenue or the uses of Free Cash in the past

Maureen Burgess moved to approve a \$489,340 Override for the items contained on the list. Robert Weinstein seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature:

1. Application for Curb Cut Permit located at 17 South Hollow Road

B. Review and Approve 2017 Seasonal Licenses: Jams Too Inc. (Common Victualer and Transient Vendor), Perry's Furniture and Jobi Pottery (Transient Vendor), Top Mast Café, Captain's Choice Whitman House Restaurant, Box Lunch (Common Victualer)

C. Review and Approve John Dundas to fill unexpired full member term on Zoning Board of Appeals

D. Review and Approve Regular Board of Selectmen Minutes: February 28, 2017, March 1, 2017

Maureen Burgess moved to approve Consent Agenda with an amendment to the minutes of February 28, 2017. Robert Weinstein seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

SELECTMEN REPORTS AND TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Paul Wisotzky said that he, the Town Manager, the Housing Authority Chair, and the Assistant Town Manager had participated in an open forum meeting with Mass Secretary of Housing and Economic Development, Jay Ash, and the Undersecretary for Consumer Affairs, John Chapman. Mr. Wisotzky also reported on the Police Visioning process. He attended the second meeting of the Executive Committee of the Herring River Restoration Project. He read the resolution to not use herbicides in the project that was approved at that meeting. He noted March 23rd and April 12th events in Wellfleet and Truro about the Herring River Restoration Project.

Maureen Burgess had attended the latest National Seashore Advisory Commission meeting. The Advisory Commission voted to re-endorse the plan for the Herring River Restoration Project. Kathy Tevia, the Assistant Superintendent of the Seashore, will become Acting Superintendent with the departure of Superintendent George Price. Ms. Burgess said the platform at Highland Light needs to be moved back again or reconstructed due to erosion. Highland Light itself has deteriorated since its

move and has an estimate of \$1.5 million for its restoration. As chair of the Advisory Commission's subcommittee on Pilgrim Emergency Planning, she had drafted a letter to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC). She read the final portion of the letter on the concerns about the Pilgrim Nuclear Plant shared by the six Outer Cape towns. There is a meeting with the NRC on March 21, 2017, she said. Ms. Burgess also reported on the Massachusetts Endangered Species Act (MESA) permitting process at the Horton Campground.

Robert Weinstein had attended the Herring River Executive Committee. He encouraged Truro citizens to become members of the Stakeholders group for the Herring River Restoration Project. He too was satisfied with the resolution of the herbicide issue. Mr. Weinstein had recently attended a Keith Althaus poetry reading at the Truro Public Library and expressed appreciation for the programs offered throughout the year at the Library.

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer announced that the Truro Beach Department, Board of Health, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and the Conservation Department are sponsoring a Quarterly Beach Cleanup on March 25, 2017 at Corn Hill Beach. They are seeking volunteers to help. Ms. Palmer said that Provincetown has decided against participating with Truro on sharing e-voting devices, but she will see if Wellfleet is interested. Lastly, she has been invited by the Municipal Association to participate in a state-wide committee made up of Town Managers and Police Chiefs to look at matters of mutual concern.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Rae Ann Palmer said Selectmen's meeting to be held Monday, March 27, 2017 will concentrate on voting on the Warrant. There will be a Consent Agenda, as well. The next work session is scheduled for Tuesday, March 21, 2017. Janet Worthington suggested adding a discussion of the Cloverleaf property at that meeting and putting it on an agenda for a future regular meeting.

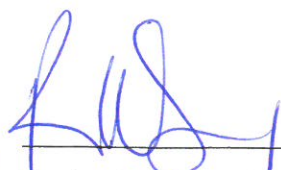
ADJOURNMENT

Maureen Burgess moved to adjourn. Janet Worthington seconded, and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Rogers, Secretary

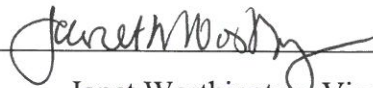


Paul Wisotzky, Chair



Maureen Burgess

Jay Coburn, Clerk



Janet Worthington, Vice-chair



Robert Weinstein

Public Records Material of 3/14/17

1. Cape Cod Light Compact's Joint Powers Agreement
2. Preliminary list of Warrant Articles
3. Petitioned Articles for the ATM 2017 Warrant
4. Planning Board Report for Zoning Bylaw Articles for the 2017 Warrant
5. Lists for cuts and override items for the FY18 Budget
6. Application for Curb Cut Permit located at 17 South Hollow Road
7. 2017 Seasonal Licenses: Jams Too Inc. (Common Victualer and Transient Vendor), Perry's Furniture and Jobi Pottery (Transient Vendor), Top Mast Café, Captain's Choice Whitman House Restaurant, Box Lunch (Common Victualer)
8. Application materials for John Dundas application for Zoning Board of Appeals membership
9. Herring River Restoration Committee's Resolution not to use herbicides to control phragmites
10. Letter to the Nuclear Regulation Committee regarding Pilgrim Nuclear Plant