

**Truro Board of Selectmen Meeting
Town Hall Conference Room
Tuesday, April 18, 2017**

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

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

Chair Paul Wisotzky called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Dale Evans of 5 Moses Way suggested staggered days of closure at the Transfer Station so that it would not be closed on two consecutive days.

BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Water and Sewer Board Representative

Peter Graham explained his interest in serving as Truro Representative to Provincetown Water and Sewer Board. He asked about the Selectmen's expectations for reporting.

Jay Coburn moved to approve the appointment of Peter Graham as Truro Representative to Provincetown Water and Sewer Board for a three-year term. Robert Weinstein seconded and the motion carried 5-0.

Zoning Board of Appeals

There were three candidates for Alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Karen Tosh explained her interest in serving and answered questions from the Selectmen. Christopher Lucy was interviewed second for the position. He gave his background in zoning bylaws. Susan Areson informed the Board of her ability to be impartial because of her career as a journalist.

Joan Holt came forward with concerns about the Zoning Board of Appeals enforcement of the Zoning Bylaws. She said she considered Karen Tosh a strong candidate for the position. Nick Brown, speaking as an individual rather than a representative of ZBA, noted the importance of appointing a person who will be able to attend meetings. Because of this, he supported Chris Lucy. The Selectmen discussed their considerations for the appointment.

Janet Worthington moved to approve the appointment of Susan Areson as Alternate on the Zoning Board of Appeals. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0-1.

ACTION ITEMS

Residential Exemption

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer, Principal Assessor Cathy Fryxell and Bruce Boleyn discussed the Residential Exemption on Real Estate Taxes. There will be a Classification Hearing in August or September, Rae Ann Palmer said. She explained how the exemptions are calculated. She said that savings that were based on the current year's tax rate. If the Selectmen want to go

forward with the program, Ms. Palmer said the staff would prepare up-to-date statistics for the Classification Hearing. An official adoption of the Residential Exemption would occur at the Classification Hearing, Ms. Fryxell said. Board members discussed the benefits of having a Residential Tax Exemption for a percent of year-round residents. Jack Riemer came forward to express his support for the Residential Tax Exemption proposal. He explained a cap that is used in a Florida town where he owns property.

Robert Weinstein moved to direct the staff to prepare the materials and financial analysis for the residential tax exemption for a Classification Hearing to be held in August or September.

Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

Warrant Article Review

Chair Paul Wisotzky made the Selectmen's motion assignments for the Annual Town Meeting Articles. Some of the motions will be made by other parties. Jay Coburn had suggestions about procedure for Selectmen's giving their individual opinions at Town Meeting. Rae Ann Palmer reviewed the process for using paper ballots for any Town Meeting votes if needed. The Board also discussed the possibility of amendments for the Override.

Immigration Enforcement

Police Chief Kyle Takakjian reviewed an information sheet he had prepared on Truro's Immigration Policy and Consular Notification Process when arresting a non-U.S. citizen. He said people should understand that the Truro Police Force does not have Federal enforcement authority. Truro would assist with any Federal inquiries if there was a case under investigation. The Truro Police wishes to be available to anyone who is a victim of a crime or needs services and asks for their help. He discussed questions from the Board on situations that might involve ICE.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature – None;
- B. Review and Approve 2017 Seasonal Licenses: Jules Besch Stationers (Transient Vendor), North of Highland Camping Area, LLC (Transient Vendor and Pool Table License), Highland Links Golf Course (Transient Vendor and Common Victualer), and Terra Luna Restaurant (Common Victualer);
- C. Review and Approve One Day Entertainment Licenses for Truro Vineyards of Cape Cod
- D. Review and Approve Renewal of Aquaculture Development Area Licenses – Dan Pazolt, William and Cheryl Souza;
- E. Review and Approve Gary Sharpless for full membership and Dana Pazolt as Alternate on the Shellfish Advisory Committee;
- F. Review and Approve Board of Selectmen Minutes: March 21, 2017 (Work Session), and March 27, 2017 (Regular).

Robert Weinstein moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

SELECTMEN'S AND TOWN MANAGER'S REPORTS /COMMENTS

There were several reports. Janet Worthington talked about presentation and understanding of Budgets for future Town Meetings. Paul Wisotzky had attended an Open Space Committee meeting where he learned that each Town-owned parcel of Open Space is being documented. He thanked Janet Worthington, Nicole Tudor and Noelle Scoullar for their work on the Annual Town Report, dedicated to the elders of Truro. Maureen Burgess, as her Public Comment, discussed the exemptions granted to the Pilgrim Nuclear Power Plant, which has allowed them to proceed with refueling without making safety provisions. Robert Weinstein said he would talk to the Department of Transportation about closing a portion of South Hollow Rd. and the bike striping. Rae Ann Palmer said DOT would be coming to look at South Hollow Rd. She thanked Trudi Brazil and especially Kelly Sullivan Clark for their work preparing the Warrant. She also offered belated birthday wishes to Bruce Boleyn.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA

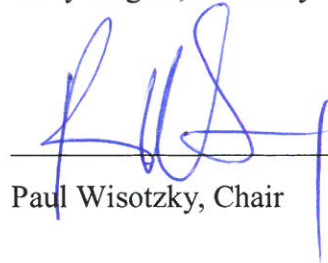
Rae Ann Palmer reviewed items for the next meeting. She will schedule the Fire Department Swearing-In Ceremony. Paul Wisotzky said it would be time to start new *Goals and Objectives*. Ms. Palmer is making plans for the Police Visioning and the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee organization during May meetings.


ADJOURNMENT

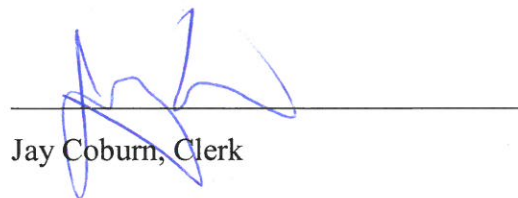
Jay Coburn moved to adjourn. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:27 p.m.


Respectfully submitted,



Mary Rogers, Secretary


Paul Wisotzky, Chair


Maureen Burgess


Jay Coburn, Clerk


Janet Worthington, Vice-chair


Robert Weinstein

Public Records Materials for 4/18/17

1. Applications of Peter Graham, Karen Tosh, Christopher Lucy and Susan Areson
2. Residential Exemption materials
3. Police Information Sheet on Immigration Policy and Consular Notification Process
4. 2017 Seasonal Licenses: Jules Besch Stationers (Transient Vendor), North of Highland Camping Area, LLC (Transient Vendor and Pool Table License), Highland Links Golf Course (Transient Vendor and Common Victualer), and Terra Luna Restaurant (Common Victualer)
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