

Minutes of the Truro Board of Health, Tuesday March 19, 2024

This was a hybrid meeting held in person at Truro Town Hall in the Select Board chambers and via Zoom.

Board members in attendance: In person: Chair Tracey Rose; Board Members Helen Grimm, Tim Rose, and Alternate Candida Monteith; Present virtually: Vice Chair Jason Silva; Absent: Board Member Brian Koll; Also Present in person: Assistant Health Agent Courtney Warren.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by the Chair, who described the remote meeting procedures and the process for public participation.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

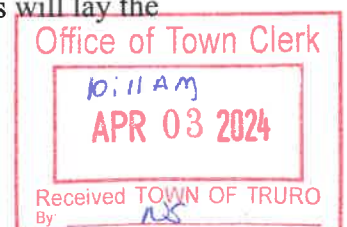
Title 5/Local Variance Request: 6 Second Landing Way (*Continued from March 5, 2024*)

Engineer Mike Pimentel described the proposed septic upgrade to a Title 5 system for a three-bedroom single-family home currently served by a cesspool. The SAS location was chosen to meet setbacks to all wells. However, the proposed location is less than 150' from the coastal bank located across Corn Hill Road. A local variance request to reduce the setback to the coastal bank. Title 5 local upgrade approvals are required to increase the maximum depth of cover to the SAS and d-box. The SAS will be vented as required by Title 5. The work is outside of the jurisdiction of the Conservation Commission, but erosion control fencing will be located between the limit of work and the closest coastal bank. Chair Tracey Rose asked what year the house was built. The engineer responded that it was built in 1958 and has upland for three bedrooms. She also asked if a walk-through was done. The Assistant Agent responded that walk-throughs are typically done when the installer applies for the permit. The Chair asked the Assistant Agent for an assessment of the plan. She reported that this was a tricky delineation with the second coastal bank. The engineer has sited the SAS in a good location given all the competing control points. The plan includes a polyvinyl barrier to prevent breakout, vents, and risers as required. **Motion:** Board Member Tim Rose moved to approve the variances as requested.; **Second:** Board Member Helen Grimm; **Vote:** 5-0-0; the motion carried.

Waiver of Time Extension Request: 45 Corn Hill Road. Property owner Rich Newburg represented his request to extend his waiver of time, which expired 3/15/2024, due to the installer's schedule. The Chair confirmed with the homeowner that he understood that the home was not to be occupied until the system was installed and certified. **Motion:** Board Member Helen Grimm moved to extend the waiver of time until May 31, 2024.; **Second:** Board Member Tim Rose; **Vote:** 5-0-0; the motion carried.

Water Resources Report

The assistant agent reported that progress was continuing in the cesspool upgrade process. For the administrative consent orders, letters will be sent to those homeowners along with a draft of their ACO and information on how to proceed with the process. The Town and engineers from GHD will meet with DEP to discuss the ACO process as well as our Comprehensive Wastewater Management planning. For stormwater, there will be an article at the Annual Town Meeting warrant to fund the Pond Rd stormwater management work to 75% design completion. There was no update in the Title 5 section. Staff meets monthly with Provincetown to discuss our wastewater management. The next water resources planning initiatives meetings will lay the



groundwork for how the towns will work together collaboratively and respectfully. The Chair asked if these meetings are at the Select Board level. The Assistant Agent replied that this was engineers with engineers and town representatives and are not yet public meetings. Jack Riemer asked if Truro sends wastewater to P-town, would we need to receive treated wastewater back in Truro, and what would the cost be. The Assistant Agent replied that all of those things will be discussed. Preliminary talks about feasibility are occurring but it is premature to talk about costs and specifics.

Minutes: February 20, 2024; **Motion:** Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the February 20, 2024 meeting minutes.; **Second:** Board member Tim Rose; **Vote:** 5-0-0; **March 5, 2024; Motion:** Board member Helen Grimm moved to approve the March 5, 2024 meeting minutes; **Second:** Alternate Candida Monteith; **Vote:** 4-0-1 with Board member Tim Rose abstaining.

Report of the Chair

The Chair encouraged people to read the 2023 Provincetown Water Report available on the Provincetown Water Department website. The website itself is also a good resource for better understanding the water system. The Chair would also like to discuss the stormwater by-law from the Special Town Meeting warrant because an amendment was submitted to the moderator prior to that meeting. She would like to make sure the board reviews and understands this amendment in order to make a decision about whether or not to support it.

Health Agent's Report

The Assistant Agent also noted that the Town Meeting articles will be discussed at the next meeting including a citizen's petition about the Senior Pass. Also, at the next meeting the Agent will have a memo about some proposed changes to Section VI of the local Board of Health regulations.

Board member Tim Rose moved to adjourn the meeting; Second: Board member Helen Grimm; Vote: 5-0-0, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Courtney Warren *cw*

