

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

October 25, 2019

Announcements:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health announced that Eastern Equine Encephalitis (EEE) was detected in mosquitos collected from Truro. Please see [this press release](#) from Health & Conservation Agent Emily Beebe for more information. Truro's risk level has been elevated to "moderate."

To reduce public exposure to mosquitoes carrying Eastern Equine Encephalitis and West Nile Virus, Truro has suspended issuance of beach fire permits at Town beaches until further notice.

This week's activities of note from the Town Manager's Office:

- The Town of Truro requests your feedback in preparation for negotiations of our license renewal with Comcast. A survey is [available here](#) and should take less than 5 minutes to complete. Respondents are not required to provide their name to participate. The survey will remain open until November 15, 2019.
- Puma Park Playground re-opens this weekend with new accessible features and a "refreshed" look. A community picnic will be held tomorrow, Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 3 pm to 5 pm to celebrate.
- I attended a meeting with Health/ Conservation Agent Beebe and our counterparts in Provincetown, Wellfleet and Eastham to Kick-off our joint Coastal Zone Management grant for Increasing Coastal Resiliency through Inter-municipal Shoreline Management.

Upcoming Meetings:

- October 28, 2019-Truro Energy Committee @ Truro Town Hall at 9:00 am.
- October 29, 2019-Select Board and Planning Board ADU Ad Hoc Subcommittee Work Session @ Truro Town Hall at 2:00 pm.
- October 30, 2019-Truro Planning Board @ Truro Public Library (Work Session) at 2:30 pm.
- November 1, 2019-Truro Charter Review Committee @ Truro Town Hall at 4:00 pm.

Department News:

Police Department

- Truro Police is taking part in the DEA National Drug Takeback on Saturday, October 26, 2019. If you would like to turn in your expired or unwanted prescription medications at the Truro Police Department, an officer will be available from 10am – 2pm. This ensures a safe, convenient and responsible means for disposal of prescription drugs.
- Thank you to the volunteers of the "Cookies for Cops" program and for our very special delivery this past week. Volunteer members bake, package and hand deliver cookies for our staff to enjoy. Thank you!

Fire Department

- The Department responded to 16 requests for medical assistance, resulting in 14 transports to the hospital. In all we responded to a total of 26 calls that included inspectional services, general assistance, alarm activations and calls for public service and good intent calls.
- Firefighter Wescott has completed his 5th week at the career recruit fire training program. Firefighter Miskiv will start her program the first week of December.
- The Fire Chief attended the Outer Cape Shark Mitigation Analysis presentation at Nauset High School.
- As we transition into cooler weather the Department would like to remind residents to make sure that they have working carbon monoxide detectors as well as to have their heating systems checked and serviced if need be.
- The Department has been working with area departments on developing a more formalized training program to enhance our capabilities and improve response to emergencies in our area.
- The Fire Chief presented a Stop the Bleed training program with the help of the Truro Public Library staff, the program was well attended. Our goal is to offer this training on a monthly basis. Interested parties can contact the station for more information.
- The Department recently conducted annual testing of our hose inventory and self-contained breathing

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apparatus. This program is part of a department wide effort to ensure compliance with national standards for fire equipment.

Department of Public Works

- The annual third-party inspection of the Transfer Station has been completed. Initial feedback from the inspector was that we have no discrepancies regarding operational and regulatory functions. We look forward to reviewing the formal report.
- As part of disaster preparedness, a temporary mobile generator will be placed at Town Hall until the repair work can be accomplished on our generator early next week. Chief Collins has planned for the Town to utilize a county mobile generator at no cost to the Town.
- The remodeling of Puma Park has been completed. A small punch list of items consisting of grass seed and artwork installation will be accomplished next week.
- Fall brush cutting of all Town roads will begin in October, along with catch basin inventory and cleaning. As part of disaster preparedness, we will continue to take a more aggressive approach to brush cutting roadsides.
- As we head into the winter season all culverts and waterways will be evaluated for any obstructions, and sediment buildup. As done last year, we will clean, and jet culverts as needed.

Harbormaster/Shellfish Constable

- Harbormaster Jakkett planted Oyster and Quahog Seed.
- Harbormaster Jakkett took water samples to New Bedford and will have to retake sampling next week.
- Harbormaster Jakkett hauled floats and moorings to get ready for dredging.

Council on Aging

- Department assisted with Health Department's Flu Clinic on 10/23/2019.
- Upcoming new activities
 - Holiday Card Making
- Ongoing Activities
 - Art Gallery
 - Chair Yoga
 - Chi Kung
 - Community Luncheon
 - Core & More
 - Dr. Campo Foot Care Clinic
 - Mahjongg
 - Memoirs
 - Men's Exercise Class
 - Move & Stretch
 - Strength Training
 - Transportation
 - White Line Open Studio

Recreation/Beach

Recreation

- Department assisted with Health Department's Flu Clinic on 10/23/2019.
- Youth soccer teams play Harwich and Provincetown.
- Director Clements meets with Library Director to discuss possible collaborations.
- Preparing for Youth Basketball season.
- Director Clements and Assistant Director Nunes attend meeting for Truro 400.
- Working to offer Pickleball at the Truro Central School.

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Ongoing Activities

- Walking Group – Tuesdays at 9:00 am
- Zumba Fitness: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 8:30 am – 9:30 am at the Truro Community Center
Saturdays, 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community Center
- Community Pickleball – Mondays & Fridays, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm, Truro Community Center
- Adult Indoor Soccer – Mondays, 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm, Truro Central School
- Community Volleyball – Wednesdays, 6:30 pm – 9:30 pm, Truro Community Center

Beach

- The Truro Beach Office is currently closed and will reopen 2020.
- For inquiries about the beaches, please call (508)487-1632.
- Beach stickers are no longer required to access Truro beach parking lots.
- Truro ORV stickers can be purchased at the Licensing Desk at Truro Town Hall, 24 Town Hall Rd.
- Truro beach fire permits can be obtained by contacting the Truro Fire Department at (508) 487-7548.
- [Warning – Recent shark sightings, practice shark safety.](#)
 - [Don't swim where seals are present.](#)
 - [Don't swim too far from shore.](#)
 - [Swim in groups.](#)
 - [Avoid wearing shiny jewelry or other accessories \(which look like fish scales to a shark\).](#)
 - [Avoid surfing alone.](#)
 - [Avoid areas with signs of baitfish or fish feeding activity – watch for diving seabirds.](#)
 - [Be aware that sharks may be present between sandbars or near steep drop offs.](#)

Library

- Friday, October 25th, is “Library Day” at Truro Central School.
- Saturday, October 26th, at 10:00 a.m., “Science Tellers” will engage all ages with their exciting show that demonstrates science concepts. After the show, there will be Halloween games and crafts until noon. Costumes are encouraged.
- Tuesday, October 29th, from 5-8 p.m., the Friends of the Truro Library are hosting a dance party for the entire family. “Dancing in the Stacks” will be great fun with treats and tricks for all. Music will be provided by DJ Beth O’Rourke, with a little help from guest DJ Isaiah Edwards. Costumes are encouraged, but not required.
- Wednesday, October 30th, at 6:00 p.m., the Truro Library Book Club meets to discuss Virginia Woolf’s ***To The Lighthouse***.
- Saturday, November 9th, at 2:00 p.m., Tony Fizzano will talk about his experience when he began part of the Hong Kong protests.

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Attachments:

1. Oyster and Quahog Seed

