

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

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Announcements:

- **Town Offices Add More In-Person Service Hours**

Town Hall is now open to the public Tuesdays through Fridays from 8 am to 4 pm. Town Hall will remain closed to the public on Mondays, but will continue to provide virtual, remote and online services.

The Public Library offers browsing and other library services for the public from 12 pm to 6 pm on Tuesday and Thursday and from 10 am to 4 pm on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Contactless pickup continues to be available.

The Community Center is open for in-person programming and appointments to the public Tuesdays through Fridays from 8 am to 4 pm but are available by phone and email on Mondays.

Masks are required in all public buildings until further notice.

Masks are no longer required outdoors on Town property.

- The Annual Pan Massachusetts Challenge event is scheduled to be held August 7th and 8th and riders will come through Truro on August 8th. This year approximately 1,500 riders are expected; less than the usual 4,500 riders that come through town. We ask that Truro residents and visitors prepare for traffic delays and event activity on August 8th, especially on Castle Road and Route 6.

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

- The Select Board and Town staff participated in a retreat work session on August 6th to begin deliberating and formulating their annual Goals and Objectives. A follow-up work session will be scheduled in the next few weeks to finalize draft language before bringing forward to public hearing during the first week of September.
- A new press release was issued this week notifying the public of the Truro Board of Health's masking requirements for all businesses and places of assembly regardless of vaccination status. The press release can be found [here](#). This press release comes on the heels of last week's two press releases related to COVID-19 and our increased local case counts. A press release on the availability of COVID testing at Veterans Memorial Community Center (in Provincetown) and Outer Cape Health Services for individuals and Truro Health Department's distribution of test kits to local businesses can be found [here](#). A second press release regarding the CDC's newest recommendation that vaccinated and unvaccinated persons wear masks in public indoor settings and an announcement about the Truro Board of Health's public hearing about masking to be held on August 3rd is available [here](#).
- Truro's current case count reflects 17 positive antigen or PCR test results from tests administered by a healthcare provider. This count is representative only of people who have been tested and only those who have reported that they are residing at an address in Truro. We know that a portion of these cases are linked to the "Provincetown cluster" or are linked to contacts of the cluster. The case counts in the recent weeks are indicative of the viral load in our community. Please be safe and utilize personal protective measures as appropriate, even if you are vaccinated. If you are experiencing symptoms, even if you are vaccinated, please get tested. Outer Cape Health Services offers testing and vaccination appointments at their locations. <https://www.outercape.org/services/covid-information/> Please note, if you test positive for COVID-19 you will need to isolate for 10 days even if you are vaccinated.
- The **2020 Truro Annual Town Report** is available on the [Town Website](#).
- The Walsh Property Community Planning Committee is looking for a high school Committee member. For more information on applying please complete the [Application to Serve](#).

Upcoming Meetings:

- Monday, August 9, 2021-Energy Committee at 4:30pm.
- Tuesday, August 10, 2021-Select Board at 5:00pm.
- Wednesday, August 11, 2021-Commission on Disabilities at 4:00pm

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- Wednesday, August 11, 2021-Planning Board Work Session at 5:00pm

Department News:

Police

- The annual Pan-Mass Challenge will bring thousands of cyclists, volunteers, and supporters to Truro on Sunday, August 8, 2021 between the hours of 7:00 am and 2:00 pm as they travel towards Provincetown. Officers will be placed strategically to assist with traffic as this event impacts our local roadways. Motorists are being urged to avoid Truro Center Road and Castle Road.
- A one-way traffic flow pattern on Castle Road will be in place to allow PMC riders and vehicle traffic to safely turn onto Route 6 from Castle Road. Vehicles will be prohibited from turning onto Castle Road from Route 6. Officers will direct prohibited traffic to the intersection of Route 6 and Truro Center Road while the one-way traffic flow pattern is in effect.

DPW

- The Transfer Station is open seven days a week, May 1, 2021, through October 31, 2021.
- Hazardous Waste Day is this Saturday from 9:00am – 12:00pm at the Transfer Station. Please [click here](#) for more information.
- DPW Director Cabral attended a pre-construction site visit in support of the school siding project. Stripping of the existing shingles is scheduled to begin Monday, August 9th, and replacement siding installation is set to begin Monday, August 16th.
- As part of an RFP announcement for the management of the Transfer Station Cell Tower, a site visit was held for any potential vendors.
- A meeting was held with DOT officials this week regarding the watermain extension project on Highland Rd. DOT voiced their support regarding the Town's proposal for erosion control, flood mitigation and paving improvements as part of required paving of Highland Rd due to the installation of the watermain.
- The Swap Shop is now open from 8:00am – 2:00pm Saturday through Monday, provided qualified volunteers are present. Masking and physical distancing are required in the Swap Shop.
- **Reminder** Residents can check their Transfer Station license plate status on our Town website by viewing News & Announcements under the DPW/Transfer Station website and clicking – Transfer Station Access – License Plate lookup. Just enter your plate number and view your expiration date.

Harbor Master/Shellfish Constable

- Skiffs and boats in the mooring field were bailed out during heavy rain.
- Harbor Master Jackett provided assistance for safe passage for memorial service in the harbor.
- Smaller tides this week made it more difficult for people gaining access to shellfish.
- Waitlist has been updated.

Recreation and Beach

- **COA, and Recreation**, 7 Standish Way: Beginning July 2, 2021, COA/Rec will offer in-person programming and appointments to the public, Tuesday-Friday, 8-4. Virtual programming will be available on Mondays-please contact COA/Rec respectively to schedule. COA/Rec staff will continue to be available by phone and/or email on Mondays.
- **Online Sticker Sales** – To purchase a beach sticker online click [HERE](#).
- **Be Shark Smart** – Atlantic White Shark Conservancy continues the Be Shark Smart program at Head of the Meadow Beach to educate the public about the presence of sharks in the waters around Cape Cod. The program will run at Head of the Meadow on Fridays from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm until Labor Day.

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- **Food 4 Kids** – Director Clements continues search for a Site Supervisor to expand the Food 4 Kid program in Truro. The program currently is part of the Summer Rec Youth Program at this time.
- **Beach Fires** – Beach Fire Permits are available online. For more information click [HERE](#).
- **Summer Rec Youth Program** – Currently only working Truro residents are eligible for the program. For more information click [HERE](#). The program runs from July 6 – August 20. Activities this week included Multicultural Day, Science Day, and Water Day.
- **Pet Closures** – QR Codes have been added to Pet Closure signs. This QR Code will direct individuals to the department web page with details pertaining to pet closures.

Truro Beach Rules and Regulations state: All Animals Are Prohibited Between the Hours of 9:00 am And 6:00 pm, from the third Saturday in June through Labor Day.



In addition, beach restrictions for pets may be increased due to the presence of shorebirds. The QR code provides a detailed description of Truro Beach Pet Closures. If you have any questions as to whether pets are allowed, feel free to call (508)487-6983. Click [HERE](#) for an up- to- date listing.

- **SOLaware** – Director Clements continues to seek sponsors for UV Display Stations. For more information, click [HERE](#).
- **ORV** – The purchase of an O.R.V. Beach Sticker grants access to the O.R.V. Corridor on beaches owned by the Town of Truro ONLY. The Town of Truro can neither grant nor prohibit access to beach areas owned privately. Entry onto private land may subject O.R.V. drivers to a claim of trespass by the property owner(s). Due to nesting shorebirds both access points at Corn Hill and Beach Point are closed.
- **Beach Clean-Up Bags**: Thanks to the efforts of Ellery Althaus this program concept has become a reality. Two Beach Clean-Up Bag stations have been installed by the DPW: one at Head of the Meadow Beach and one at Corn Hill Beach. As more stations are built, they will be installed. The goal is to have a station at each of the Town of Truro beaches.
- **Job Posting** – Seasonal job application deadline was extended until they are filled. Click [HERE](#) to view postings. The Town posted a vaccination bonus for seasonal employees, click [HERE](#) for more information.
- **The Truro Beach Office** (36 Shore Rd) The office is open 7 days / week from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm. Beach stickers are required starting Sat., June 19, 2021. ORV stickers are still required to access the bayside, off-road corridor. To order online click [HERE](#). For inquiries about the beaches, please call (508)487-6983.
- **Programs** – Director Clements is working to bring back programs like these and new ones to the Community Center.
 - **Zumba Fitness** – The following classes have started back up:
 - **Zumba Fitness with Julie**: Tues., Thur., Sat. 9:00 am -10:00 am. Truro Community Center
 - **Zumba Dance Fitness with Naya**: Weds., 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm. Truro Community Center.
 - **Zumba Strong Nation with Naya**: - Weds., starting, 7/21/21, 6:30 pm – 7:00 pm. Truro Community Center.
 - **Iyengar Yoga with Karin Stephan**: Classes to begin in August. More details to follow.
 - **Indoor Pickleball**: We are searching for volunteers to be Program Supervisors for our indoor Pickleball program. For more info. or to volunteer, contact Damion Clements at dclements@truro-ma.gov or call (508)487-1632.

Suspended Activities

- Walking Group
- Indoor Walking
- Community Indoor Pickleball
- Adult Indoor Soccer
- Community Volleyball

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Library

- The (abbreviated) Truro Summer Concert Series continues Thursday, August 12, at 6:30 p.m. with a performance by the costumed funk/street beat improvisational brass band, "The Revolutionary Snake Ensemble". They can be heard on a regular basis in "Parade of Number", a regular segment on Sesame Street. Ken Field leads the Snakes, as they "brilliantly bridge the booty/brain barrier".
- Maggie Hanelt teaches a 4-H accredited babysitting course from Tuesday, Aug. 10 – Aug. 13, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. for ages 11+.
- One Event – Two Authors on August 17 at 6:30 p.m. Carole Joffe will present on her book *Obstacle Course: The Everyday Struggle to get an Abortion in America*, and she will be joined by her daughter, Jude Joffe-Block presenting on her new book, *Driving While Brown: Sheriff Joe Arpaio Versus the Latino Resistance*.
- A new STORYWALK has been set up at the Truro Twine Fields Conservation Trail until August 28. Take a walk and read "*In A Jar*" by Deborah Marcero.

Assessing

- The Assessor's Office is accepting applications for the Residential and Statutory Exemptions for Fiscal Year 2022. Applications are due April 1, 2022.
- If you are already receiving the Residential Exemption, there is no need to reapply. The Assessor's Office will notify you if requirements are not met.
- All Statutory Exemptions (Seniors meeting strict income & asset guidelines, Disabled Veterans, Blind, etc.) must reapply annually, and applications have already been mailed out to last year's Statutory Exemption recipients.
- **New** is the EXPANDED Rental Residential Exemption. It was passed at Town Meeting 2019, signed into law by the MA legislature in Feb 2021 and takes effect for FY2022. This assists in creating more year-round rental housing for residents of Truro and incentives owners to do so. This permits owners to receive an exemption off their tax bill provided they rent their home to a tenant on an annual basis and the tenant establishes the property as their primary domicile as of the Jan 1 prior to the Fiscal Year. There must be a Year-Round Lease signed by both parties in effect annually. It is based upon the Residential Exemption. If the Select Board elects to implement the Residential Exemption, the Expanded will be enacted and at the same rate. Each parcel may only qualify for either the Residential or the Expanded Residential Exemption and not both. Please contact the Assessor's Office for more information.
- All Exemption Applications received by August 31, 2021 will receive reductions on the October Tax Bill.

Attachment

1. July Building Report
2. Haz Mat Day Map-Transfer Station

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BP#	ID	Street Location	Owner	Type of Work Code	Type of Work Description	Builder	Date of Issue	Fee	Estimated Cost
21-230x	46-335	208 Route 6	Andrew D Rose	RR/RW/RD	re-roof, re-shingles southside, replace 1 French Door	Homeowner	7/6/2021	\$150.00	\$9,000.00
21-231x	54-62	5 Perrys Hill Way	Wendy Levine Life Estate	Tent	erecting 32 x 50 sailcloth tent for seating-up on 7/23/21, down on 7/26/21	Anchor Tent & Table	7/7/2021	\$50.00	\$1,100.00
21-232x	51-85	10 Hatch Rd	Emilie Marks/Ann Howard	S	10' x 14' shed installed by Pine Harbor	Homeowner	7/7/2021	\$50.00	\$9,000.00
21-233x	46-216	8 Blackfish Rd	Schwartz Realty Trust	Stove	install wood stove insert into existing brick opening with new stainless steel liner	Homeowner	7/7/2021	\$50.00	\$4,500.00
21-234	39-294	16 Sawyer Grove Rd	Michael McIntyre	Solar	Solar PV 15.48 kW, (43) panels roof mounted, flush mounted, grid-tied	Jason Stoots, E2 Solar	7/7/2021	\$590.00	\$59,000.00
21-235	42-3	10 Crestview Circle	Paul Griffin	D	repair, replace and reconfigure existing decks, A-T-F	Homeowner	7/7/2021	\$615.00	\$5,000.00
21-236x	54-1	20 Mill Pond Rd	Carol Reichelem	Tent	1-44 x 63; 1 - 20 x 20 tents with some sides installing 7/27/21 & removing 7/30/21	American Tent & Table	7/12/2021	\$50.00	\$1,950.00
21-237x	51-49	51 South Pamet Rd	Denton Family Rev Trust	Tent	install 30 x 40 frame tent for a yard reception-open air with no sides. Tent installed 7/22/21, event 7/24/21, taken down, 7/26/21	Party Cape Cod	7/12/2021	\$50.00	\$3,500.00
21-238x	46-160	11 Atwood Rd	Stanley Hudson	RW	replace (4) sliders with new Andersen white clad units and (3) windows with new Andersen white remove existing roof and install new	Cape Associates	7/12/2021	\$100.00	\$14,000.00
21-239x	45-110	4 High Ridge Rd Ext	John Tobin	RR	Certaainteed Landmark Pro asphalt shingles-install new white cedar shingle siding	Muto, Inc	7/12/2021	\$100.00	\$72,574.00
21-240	35-63	12 Windigo Ln	Monica and Timothy Obrien	Alt	Interior Remodel-2nd fl bathroom, kitchen, flooring, drywall, add 5' opening in basement	Augustus Construction	7/12/2021	\$306.00	\$257,800.00
21-241	53-11	8 Great Hills Rd	Bruce Sullivan and Joanne Galka	Alt	remove and replace existing bathroom and kitchen. Install new half bath and laundry	Thor Construction	7/12/2021	\$150.00	\$75,000.00
21-242	46-305	3 Erlinda Rd	Susan and John Canavari	Add	addition of 12' x 15' screen room and alteration(sddition) of 5' x 10' to existing deck	Robert Todd Schwebel	7/12/2021	\$150.00	\$50,000.00
21-243	39-294	16 Sawyer Grove Rd	McIntyre Living Trust	ADU	remodel existing garage for ADU-add shed dormer to roof, insulate, replace existing	Nate McKean	7/13/2021	\$822.00	\$320,000.00
21-244x	46-370	13 Snows Rd	Suzanne Bergeron	RS	white cedar shingles 9 sq ft	Roofing and Siding of Cape Cod	7/19/2021	\$50.00	\$8,975.00
21-245x	35-111	12 Pilgrims Path	Laura Anello/Richard Caron	S	cedar shed 10 x 14', 1 door, 6 windows	Homeowner	7/19/2021	\$50.00	\$8,000.00
21-246x	46-12	9 Castle Terrace	Megan Hinton	Alt	remove and insulate walls and roof covering with sheetrock for increased heat control during	John Newman	7/19/2021	\$50.00	\$5,000.00
21-247x	47-27	5 Quail Run	Richard Chmielinski	Alt	weatherization/air sealing through MassSave program-no structural changes	Homeworks Energy Inc	7/20/2021	\$50.00	\$1,843.00

21-248	59-48	9 Ryder Beach Rd	Kurt Gress Living Trust	Solar	Solar 10.85 kw, (31) panels, roof-mounted/flush, grid-tied	E2 Solar	7/19/2021	\$480.00	\$48,000.00
21-249	42-66	21 Fishermans Rd	Thomas Kidrin/Deborah Rivlin	Alt/RW	repair flood damage no change to bedrooms, or floor plan. Includes new windows and insulation where possible, upgrade electrical in basement, change tub to shower main bathroom, replace 800 sq ft flooring	Tim Dickey	7/19/2021	\$400.00	\$0.00
21-250	39-70	24 Priest Rd	Donaldson real Estate Trust	S	14' x 20' garden shed on footprint of old larger shed that was demolished. Pine Harbor standard shed design. No utilites to shed. 9 sonotubes	Homeowner	7/20/2021	\$182.00	\$23,055.00
21-251	45-19	23 Corn Hill Landing	Steven Pinker	Add	addition of office space, 2 floors, to the South side of the existitng home, replace 2 windows, add 1 window, replace 1 patio door in existing structure	Geiger-Phillips	7/20/2021	\$620.00	\$232,000.00
21-252	39-303	9 Shore Rd	Roberts Family Property , LLC	FND	foundation only for the construction of storage building-one story, wood frame.	Art Hultin	7/21/2021	\$128.00	\$90,000.00
21-253	36-53	37 Pond Rd	Leah Camhi/Amy Pitter	Add	new kitchen/dining addition with roof deck, siding, doors, windows	Jonah Swain	7/20/2021	\$1,063.00	\$300,000.00
21-254x	50-37	7 Yacht Club Rd	Pamet Harbor Yacht Club	Tent	25'x20, 30'x20' tents installed on 8/2/2021 and taken down on 8/3/2021	American Tent & Table	7/26/2021	\$50.00	\$0.00
21-255x	22-49.4	148 Shore Rd, U:4	Joe McKay	RW	remove and replace 1 window	Joseph Duarte, Home Depot	7/26/2021	\$50.00	\$2,159.00
21-256	47-74	16 Cranberry Ln	Cass Johnson	Greenhouse	12x24 greenhouse	Peter Margotta	7/27/2021	\$188.00	\$46,000.00
21-257	58-50	15 Rolling Hills Rd	Mark & Carole Bradford	D	replace portion of existing deck	Thor Baum	7/27/2021	\$876.00	\$50,000.00
21-258	36-155	394 Route 6	Mark Birnbaum	Solar	14 roof mounted solar panels, 5.11 kW DC, 4.06 kW AC system	My Generation Energy	7/27/2021	\$88.00	\$8,800.00
21-259	40-54	5 Alden Way	Karin Hendricks	Solar	18 roof mounted solar panels, 6.57 kW DC, 5.22 AC system	My Generation Energy	7/27/2021	\$112.00	\$11,200.00
21-260	24-31	7 Whale Watch Dr	Eric Martin	ADU	create an ADU in the basement of dwelling	Eric Martin (homeowner with CSL)	7/28/2021	\$591.00	\$12,000.00
30	TOTAL PERMITS								
2	Certificate of Occupancy								