

## Town of Truro Town Manager's Weekly Report

September 1, 2017

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

- UPDATE: Due to the expected inclement weather, the Truro Agricultural Fair has been moved to **Monday September 4, 2017**.
- Staff and I met with representatives from the Woods Hole Group, Fuss and O'Neil Engineering and a representative of the Cape Cod National Seashore to outline the process for the initial phase of work at the East Harbor culvert.
- Assistant Town Manager Clark and I attended a meeting with the Wellfleet Town Administrator and Outer Cape Health Services to discuss the Community Navigator Program. Details about referrals, reporting, and our community's specific needs were addressed. Outer Cape Health Services is recruiting a staff person to be the community navigator. Look for more information in future reports.
- Emily Beebe, Assistant Health & Conservation Agent, has assumed the position of Interim Health & Conservation Agent and is helping ensure a smooth transition for the Department.

### **Upcoming Meetings:**

- Tuesday, September 5, 2017-Truro Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall at 4:30 pm.
- Tuesday, September 5, 2017-Truro Planning Board @ Truro Town Hall at 6:00 pm.
- Wednesday, September 6, 2017-Beach Commission @ Truro Public Library at 2:00pm.
- Friday, September 8, 2017-Truro Finance Committee @ Truro Town Hall at 4:00 pm.

### **Department News:**

#### Police Department

- In addition to responding to a wide variety of policing issues, the members of the Truro Police Department continue to address reports of motor vehicle law violations in the Town of Truro. Patrol officers proactively patrol 24/7 in both marked, semi-marked, unmarked cruisers and motorcycle patrols. Officers are specially trained in the use of radar and all cruisers are equipped with certified radar units. We have approximately 30 miles of roadway and streets to patrol. Traffic – related issues continue to be one of the most frequent and important complaints and concerns. If you have a particular street that you have concerns about please let the Department know and we will do our best to address your concerns.
- The members of the Truro Police have worked diligently in preparation for the Truro Agricultural Fair, being held this Sunday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Thanks to the Truro Department of Public Works for their assistance.

#### Fire Department

- The Department responded to 9 requests for medical assistance, resulting in 8 transports to the hospital. In all we responded to a total of 20 calls that included inspectional services, general assistance, alarm activations and calls for public service assistance and a good intent calls.
- Firefighter Laytin Reis will be completing his second week of recruit training on Friday. Firefighter Christianna Brown will begin her program in two weeks.
- The Department responded to the Truro Motor Inn on Route 6 for a report of smoke in the basement. The arriving company found a smoke condition resulting from a water heater malfunction. This also resulted in air quality issues and required active ventilation of the structure to correct the problem. There were no injuries.
- Call volume on the Outer Cape has been steady with the need for mutual aid responses to cover the requests for service.
- In light of the devastation of Hurricane Harvey and the large scale power outages that followed, the Department would like to remind folks of the importance of operating portable generators in a safe manner. Below is a link to the National Fire Protection Agency (NFPA) that provides some safety tips on generator operations:

<https://community.nfpa.org/community/nfpa-today/blog/2017/08/30/four-key-electrical-safety->

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Department of Public Works

- Associated Alarms has completed the installation of the new key fob system for Town Hall, the Safety Facility, and the Library. The Community Center already utilizes a key fob system, which will receive a software update so all buildings will have the ability to be secured and monitored remotely.
- The new single stream compactor for the Transfer Station has been installed and will be operational next week. Additional padding/bumpers have been ordered by the contractor to protect the trailers and compactor from damage at no charge to the Town.
- In support of the Ag Fair, the DPW has delivered chairs, tables, traffic cones and barriers. In addition, the DPW has supplied and installed snow fencing and temporary no parking signs on Town Center Road and Castle Road.
- Roadway sweeping and mowing continue, along with standard landscape maintenance along town roads and grounds. Frequency of catch basin cleaning has increased due to the amount of rain we have received this spring.
- Annual personnel reviews and feedback sessions have begun with all DPW personnel. This practice was established last year, and will continue in support of an established Operational Structure.
- Online sales for the Transfer Station permits continue with daily sales through personal computers and kiosk locations.

Recreation/Beach

- Recreation
  - The Summer Rec Post Season Program ended on Tuesday, August 29, 2017.
  - Jennifer Flanagan, Program Coordinator, has been preparing for the 2017-2018 season of the Pamet After-School program. The Pamet After-School Program (PAS) serves children aged five to twelve that either reside in the Town of Truro or utilize the school choice option to attend school in Truro. The program strives to provide a safe, supervised environment for children in the Community of Truro to learn and grow. For more information, please visit the Truro Recreation & Beach Department website.
- Beach
  - Truro Beach Clean Up to be held on Saturday, September 9, 2017.  
Do you enjoy walking on Truro's beaches? Could you spend an hour or two picking up trash on the beach? Truro's CERT members in collaboration with Truro's town offices of; Conservation, DPW, and Recreation & Beaches are sponsoring a September beach clean-up.
    - Come clean-up one of the four ocean-side beaches on September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017 at 8:30 am.
    - If you want to walk on High Head, Head of the Meadow, or Coast Guard Beach, meet at the Head of the Meadow parking lot.
    - If you want to walk Ballston Beach, meet at the Ballston Beach parking lot.We'll provide trash bags, gloves, and water.  
You can sign-up online at <https://www.truro-ma.gov/truro-beach-clean-up> or just come on by on Saturday. If you have questions, contact Emily Beebe, Assistant Health and Conservation Agent, at [ebbeebe@truro-ma.gov](mailto:ebbeebe@truro-ma.gov).

Make it a family outing: pick your favorite ocean-side beach and come join us!

- The Beach Office continues to sell Transfer Station permits, beach stickers, and beach fire permits. The Beach Office, located at 36 Shore Rd, is open every day, 8:00 am – 4:00 pm until Sunday, September 3, 2017. Beach fire permits may be obtained online at [www.activityreg.com](http://www.activityreg.com) under Massachusetts and Truro Recreation until September 3, 2017. After Sunday, September 3, 2017, all beach fire permits may be

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obtained at the Truro Fire Department, located at 344 Route 6, Truro (508)487-7548.

**Health and Conservation**

- Received food borne illness complaint and dog bite.
- Responded to a Fire Department request to the scene, post-fire at the Truro Motor Inn to observe existing conditions at the facility. (No injuries were reported.)

**Harbor Master**

- Ross Kessler (Public Access Coordinator – Mass Division of Marine Fishers) visited to review the status of our grant to expand the dock. Permitting is in process to install water for power washing ramp and should be complete by the end of September, along with solar lights on the gang way (procure trial set for the fall season). Mr. Kessler put up signage to indicate improvements to Pamet Harbor and was very interested and complementary to our harbor facilities, parking and workings (see photo).
- Harbor Master Jackett buried in several moorings that had come to the surface over the season.
- Shellfish Warden Jackett attended SAC meeting to discuss several issues concerning recreational shell fishing (summer and winter) and current activity of and tracking new seed into ADA.
- Cleaned out the Harbormaster Office attic of needless items to be disposed of and brought relevant shellfish literature into Town Hall for handouts when people are purchasing shellfish licenses.

**Library**

- Over the summer over 10 children signed up for the Truro Library Summer Reading Program. They read a grand total of 1,123 hours.
- The Truro Library will have a presence for both children and adults at the Truro Ag Fair on September 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- On Wednesday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m. the Board of the Friends of the Truro Library will meet after a summer hiatus. The meeting will be held in the Anne H. Brock Community Room.
- On Thursday, September 7<sup>th</sup> from 4:00-6:00 p.m. there will be an Artist's reception for Kay Cassill. Ms. Cassill's work will be displayed in the Anne H. Brock Community Room for the entire month.

**Assessing**

- The Assessing Department is continuing to work with the Finance Team on FY18 Recap submission.
- The Assessing Department is continuing preparation for FY18 Residential Exemption implementation.
- Statutory Exemption and Residential Exemption applications continue to be accepted until April 1, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

**Attachments**

1. Photos of new signage at Pamet Harbor
2. Ag Fair Traffic Advisory

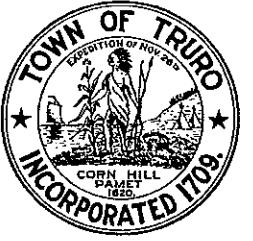
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**Special Event Road and Traffic Advisory**

**Sustainable Cape's Truro Agricultural Fair**

The following road and traffic advisory is in effect Sunday September 3, 2017, from 8AM to 5PM. Pedestrian, bicycle, and vehicle traffic will be extremely heavy in the areas of Truro Center Road, North and South Pamet, Castle, and Depot Roads and Route 6 leading into Truro Center. Specifically, South Pamet Road will be closed to traffic from the North Pamet intersection, under Route 6, to Truro Center Road. Truro Center Road will have alternating traffic between South Pamet Road and Old Pamet Way. Castle Road will be one direction only (North) between Truro Center Road and Bridge Road with parking on the left side during the event. The FLEX bus stop will be relocated to Truro Center Road and Town Hall Road for the duration of the event. The Truro Police CERT Team will be on hand to assist.

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