

**Truro Board of Selectmen Meeting
Selectmen's Chambers Town Hall
Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

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

Regrets: Janet Worthington

Present: Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer; Assistant Town Administrator Maureen Thomas

Paul Wisotzky called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ronnie Farrell of Quail Ridge Rd. came forward to express two concerns she had about the Police Department. She said she favored a plan for sharing police services with Wellfleet. Secondly, she asked that consideration be given to not filling vacancies when current officers retired or left the Truro Police Force.

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

Angella Graham discussed with the Selectmen her interest in serving on the Truro Cultural Council.

Robert Weinstein moved to approve the appointment of Angella Graham to the Truro Cultural Council for a three-year term ending in 2019. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN ACTION

Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Message

Chair Paul Wisotzky presented a draft Fiscal Year 2018 Budget Message for the Board's review. He will correct some typos in the draft. Board members thanked the Chair and the Town Manager for their work in creating the message.

Jay Coburn moved to approved the FY19 Budget Message with the corrections and authorize the Chair to sign on behalf of the Board. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

Mandatory Safety Belt Usage Policy

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer explained the proposed Mandatory Safety Belt Usage Policy. Town Counsel had informed her that it requires impact bargaining with the union. Jay Coburn suggested a word change under Procedure #1. Ms. Palmer accepted the change and said she will bring the Policy back to the Selectmen after she has met with the unions.

Maureen Burgess moved to accept the Selectmen's Policy for Mandatory Safety Belt Usage so that the Town Manager may impact bargain it. Robert Weinstein seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

Update on FY2017 Goals and Objectives

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer discussed initiatives covered in the areas of the *Goals and Objectives*. In the *Town Services* goals, these included: roads, needs for the DPW facility, single stream recycling, a new phone system, and the transit authority. Robert Weinstein asked for and was given the Board's approval to speak on behalf of the Selectmen at the MPO meetings. *Fiscal Management* goals reviewed included: developing policies, creating a policy manual, and formalizing operations with a centralized payroll projection data base for better management of personnel and cost control. In the area of *Public Safety* Ms. Palmer reported on the testing of applicants for positions in the Fire Department. Local applicants did well, Ms. Palmer said. She and the Chief will conduct interviews. She also said that the Cape Cod Commission may be able to provide help on improving downtown areas for business and events. The Executive Director of the Cape Cod Commissioners will be present at next meeting. Bike and walkways work improvements are planned. Robert Weinstein reported on signs and striping on the highway. For *Community Sustainability*, the Town Manager reported that the draft ANR for Cloverleaf property had gone to the Planning Consultant, and there were updates on the environmental projects for Mill Pond and Eagle Creek. The Comprehensive Plan will be placed on next meeting agenda, and a Planning Board draft bylaw was sent to Town Counsel for review. In the areas of *Community Engagement & Governance*: Rae Ann Palmer said that providing email addresses for committee members is still in progress. The Town Manager promised to keep working on *Goals & Objectives*.

Solar Contract and Possible Alternatives

Rae Ann Palmer discussed a proposal from Altus Power for a solar contract. Truro would buy net metering credits at a floating rate, always providing a discount for the electric bill. Eversource would reduce the bill accordingly. There are two options available. She suggested following the choice of the Energy Committee. The Selectmen agreed with this. She recommended following the advice of Counsel on cancelling with SunEdison: whether to cancel just the net metering or the whole contract. The repair work at the landfill should be completed soon. Robert Weinstein recommended pursuing full recompense for the damages caused by AT&T. They have paid for some of it, Ms. Palmer said.

Maureen Burgess moved to authorize Town Counsel to issue a notice to terminate and/or begin contract termination negotiations with SunEdison, and to authorize the Chair to sign a contract with Altus Power, upon completion of negotiations by Town Counsel, for the purpose of net metering credits. Robert Weinstein seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Review and Approve Emily Beebe, Assistant Health/Conservation Agent as the Truro Representative to the Barnstable County Coastal Resources Commission for a two-year term
- B. Approval of Consolidation of Legal Services
- C. Review and Approve Regular Board of Selectmen Minutes – September 20th (Work Session and Joint Meeting Minutes), and September 27, 2016 Minutes.

Maureen Burgess amended the minutes from the joint meeting with Provincetown.

Jay Coburn moved to approve the Consent Agenda with the amended minutes of the joint meeting of September 20, 2016. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

SELECTMEN AND LIAISON AND TOWN MANAGER REPORTS

Jay Coburn announced with regret the resignation of Lisa Tobia from the Planning Board. He thanked her for her service as Chair and wished her well in her new career in Miami.

Paul Wisotzky also thanked Lisa Tobia for her service to the Town. He congratulated the Fire Chief Tim Collins on his one-year anniversary in Truro. Paul Wisotzky said the Housing Needs Assessment planned by the Council on Aging had become something new and useful for all senior needs. He invited people to become participants in the focus groups. Dr. Bluestone has been a great help in developing the effort, he said. Finally, he announced that Jay Coburn would be a featured speaker at the Cape and Islands Selectmen's meeting in Eastham on Friday, October 14th.

Robert Weinstein reported on his Selectmen's Hours at the Transfer Station. He heard about Police Department staffing and about dog walking restrictions in the Seashore. He also discussed trash pick-up on the highway, which had been done by volunteers in the past. He had been questioned on what happens to the single streamed recycled items. He reported on a slide show on the changing Cape Cod that had presented some misinformation about the Cape Cod National Seashore and zoning.

Rae Ann Palmer explained that the sorting of the single stream recycling is done at a facility off-Cape. Maureen Burgess asked about Transfer Station scales for commercial haulers. Maureen Burgess also discussed a movie on houses that had been shown on two occasions.

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer announces that she had appointed Jared Cabral as DPW Director. After reviewing other applicants and observing him, she had determined that he was the best candidate for the position. She said the old Fore 'N' Aft Motel has been removed from Shore Road, greatly improving the area. The Board expressed thanks for her efforts in finally removing the eyesore from Beach Point. She also reported that a charter operator had been pleased with harbor operations.

Robert Weinstein thanked the Shellfish Warden and the Advisory Committee for opening up shellfish areas in the Town.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA

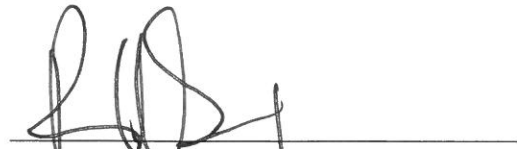
Rae Ann reviewed expected agenda for the November 2, 2016 at the Community Center. Agenda items included: updates on County & Cape Cod Commission planning, an update on the Cape Compact grid modification, the Comprehensive Plan, a Bailey & Boyd report, Alcohol licenses, and possibly a joint meeting with the School Committee.

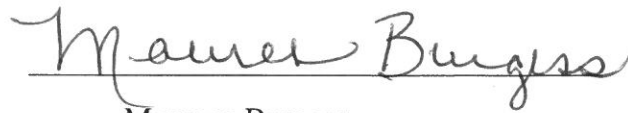
ADJOURNMENT


The meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

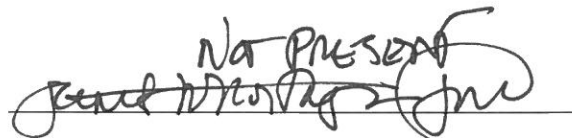
Respectfully submitted,



Mary Rogers, Secretary


Paul Wisotzky, Chair


Maureen Burgess


Jay Coburn, Clerk


Janet Worthington, Vice-chair


Robert Weinstein

Public Records Materials of 10/11/16

1. Application papers to Cultural Council for Angella Graham
2. *Goals and Objectives* for FY18
3. Request and Charges of Representatives to the Barnstable County Coastal Resources Commission
4. Request for Consolidation of Legal Services