

**Truro Select Board Meeting  
Wednesday, July 10, 2018  
Truro Town Hall**

**Select Board Members Present:** Chair Robert Weinstein; Maureen Burgess, Kristen Reed, Paul Wisotzky, Janet Worthington

**Present:** Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer; Assistant Town Manager Kelly Clark

Chair Robert Weinstein called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Jane Peters discussed issues of concern to residents of Shore Road: speeding, "No Parking" signs that interfere with church parking and disrepair of park benches. Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer addressed her concerns, which have not been forgotten.

Jack Reimer said he had comments to make for the ZBA appointment and was advised that he should hold them for that part of the meeting.

**BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

**Representative to the Provincetown Water and Sewer Board**

There were two applicants for Representative to the Provincetown Water and Sewer Board. Gary Palmer came forward and gave his qualifications and interest in continuing as Representative, followed by Peter Van Stratum explained his reasons for wanting the position. Both candidates answered questions from the Select Board about water issues and goals.

Janet Worthington moved to approve the reappointment of Gary Palmer as Truro Representative to the Provincetown Water and Sewer Board. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

**Zoning Board of Appeals**

Chris Lucy explained his interest in becoming an alternate member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Chair Weinstein outlined Mr. Lucy's experience on Town boards, particularly those involved with zoning issues. Mr. Lucy answered questions from the Board on: a house size bylaw; his negative dealings with the Planning Board in the past; and his projected role as a member of the ZBA. He addressed dealing with conflict of interest and his need to recuse himself from any cases on Stephen's Way.

Audience members came forward to discuss the appointment. ZBA Chair Buddy Perkel said he had sent a message of support, but he had more commendation for Chris Lucy and reasons for adding him as a member of the Zoning Board of Appeals. Jack Reimer asked that the Select Board table their decision until there is at least one other candidate to consider for the position. Chair Weinstein said no one else had applied. Joan Holt commented on Chris Lucy's forthright manner and the need to protect the community. She read a letter she had prepared on the importance of choosing ZBA members who enforce the zoning bylaws strictly. She did not endorse Mr. Lucy for the position.

Select Board members discussed house size and detriment to neighborhoods. Yvette Devenski gave her explanation of what neighbors consider detrimental to a neighborhood. Planning Board Chair Steve Sollog came forward to discuss filling positions on Town boards. He said it is possible to wait before filling vacancies and that he would like to see the Select Board do so.

Janet Worthington moved to table a decision on the appointment for the Zoning Board of Appeals until there are more candidates. Maureen Burgess seconded. After further discussion of filling vacancies, Mr. Perkel's endorsement, dynamics of the ZBA and Mr. Lucy's temperament, the motion to table failed to carry 2-3.

Robert Weinstein moved to approve the appointment of Chris Lucy to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a one-year term. Paul Wisotzky seconded, and the motion carried 3-1-1.

#### **Council of Aging Emeritus Member**

Rae Ann Palmer explained the appointment of Girard Smith as a lifetime emeritus member to the Council on Aging in recognition for his many years of service. This would be a non-voting position. Paul Wisotzky suggested amending the policy on ex officio members of boards.

Paul Wisotzky moved to approve the appointment of Girard Smith as Emeritus Member to the Council on Aging as a life-time member. Maureen Burgess seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

#### **BOARD OF SELECTMEN ACTION**

##### **Fiscal Year 2019 Board of Selectmen Goals and Objectives.**

Robert Weinstein thanked the Town Manager, Assistant Town Manager, colleagues on the Board and all who had helped with the preparation of the FY19 *Goals & Objectives*.

Paul Wisotzky moved to approve the Fiscal Year 2019 Board of Selectmen *Goals & Objectives* as printed in the packet. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

##### **Letter of Support for Tradesmen's Park**

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer reviewed the request for Tradesmen's Park for 298 Rte. 6 by Erin and Dan Silva. Ms. Palmer had checked with Town Counsel about preparing a letter of support to send to Cape Cod Commission. Chair Weinstein read into record the letter of support for Tradesmen's Park.

Paul Wisotzky moved to send to the Cape Cod Commission a letter of support for Tradesmen's Park. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

##### **A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature**

1. Entertainment License for Friends of the Truro Meeting House; Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, Monday July 30<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, and Saturday, August 18<sup>th</sup>
2. Entertainment License for Sustainable Cape's Ag Fair; Sunday, September 2, 2018

##### **B. Review and Approve Reappointments to: Zoning Board of Appeals-Frederick Todd; Shellfish Advisory Committee-Stephen Wisbauer, Dana Pazolt and Scott Lindell,**

Conservation Commission-Deborah McCutcheon, Community Preservation Committee-Bonnie Sollog, Board of Health-Mark Peters, Peter Van Stratum, Beach Commission-Fran Johnson, Truro Constable-John Thomas, Taxation Aid Committee- Barbara Wood, and Historic Commission-Matthew Kiefer

- C. Review and Sign Letter Supporting House Bill #2472 Regarding Emergency Plans for Unique Geographical Locations
- D. Review and Approve Board of Selectmen Minutes: June 26, 2018

Maureen Burgess commented on applications for reappointment, stating that she appreciates comments on the candidates' interest in continued service. Other Board members agreed that the candidates should use the comment sections on the applications. She said it is inappropriate for their statements to be political in nature. Ms. Burgess discussed the importance of Item C, the letter to support House Bill #2472.

Paul Wisotzky moved to approve the Consent Agenda as printed. Kristen Reed seconded, and the motion carried 5-0.

#### **SELECTMEN REPORTS AND TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT**

Janet Worthington said she had been approached about offering shuttle bus services in the future and about encouraging the concept of house sharing. She expressed concern about wildlife endangerment from big releases of balloons and ways to control this practice. She asked about the Herring River MOU, which Rae Ann Palmer said would be on a future agenda. Finally, she noted the passing of Lucy (Nana) Perry at the age of 101.

Paul Wisotzky thanked staff for the new Police Chief's pinning ceremony and congratulated the Chief. He considered Truro Connections, in which he and Kristen Reed had been panelists, a success. He thanked Tony Hodgkin of the Open Space Committee and Nick Brown from the ZBA for their service to the Town. He learned at his Selectmen's Hours that people wanted to learn more about single stream recycling.

Maureen Burgess congratulated Paul Wisotzky and Kristen Reed for their participation in Truro Connections. She reported that the Part Time Residents Advisory Committee (PETRAC) had held their first meeting. She said that Agricultural Commissioner John LeBeaux, Representative Sarah Peake and Senator Julian Cyr were present at Veteran's Park to receive a \$12,500 check to Sustainable Cape from the Cape Cod Savings Bank.

Kristen Reed mentioned her participation in Truro Connections. She said that the COA plans to offer a repeat presentation of the Senior Needs Assessment Study by Barry Bluestone. She reported that the COA Board needs new members. The Recycling Committee plans to meet with their Wellfleet counterparts to discuss joint food waste and composting and other recycling ideas. She had cleaned up balloons recently while out on her paddleboard.

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer said the Ragnar Relay event had submitted an application for next year. She is disinclined to approve it because there is no benefit to the Town and because of problems the event causes, especially on side roads. Ms. Palmer discussed the damage from recent flooding on Highland Rd. in North Truro. The state will offer mitigation in the form of

catch basins, but it would require closure of lanes for five days. She will investigate what the businesses there would like to do.

Chair Robert Weinstein congratulated the new Chief of Police and Paul Wisotzky and Kristen Reed for their participation in Truro Connections. He suggested more signage for the Transfer Station to make the entry safer. He said that he had contacted Sarah Peake's office about the flooding problem on Highland St. She sent word that she is aware of the problem, caused by water from Rte. 6 off ramps. The Mass Highways Department could install catch basins, as noted by Rae Ann Palmer.

#### **NEXT MEETING AGENDA**

Town Manager Rae Ann Palmer reviewed agenda items for the next meeting. These included: Discussion of the Community Center as an emergency shelter; two referrals from the Planning Board; Castle Hill's application for an entertainment license; appointments; and the Twinefields Conservation Restriction.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Paul Wisotzky moved to adjourn. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 5-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

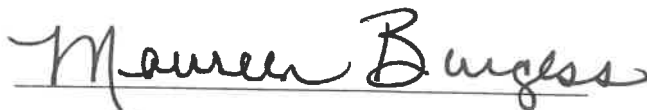
Respectfully submitted,



Mary Rogers, Secretary



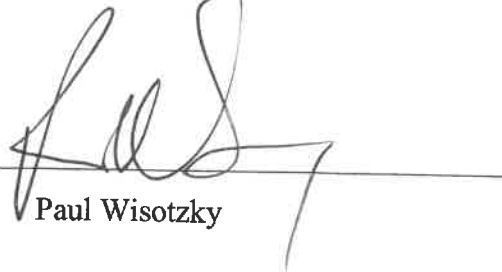
Robert Weinstein, Chair



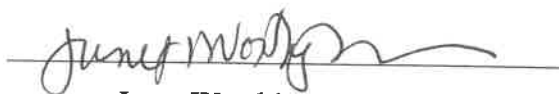
Maureen Burgess, Vice-chair



Kristen Reed



Paul Wisotzky



Janet Worthington, Clerk

**Public Records Material of 7/10/18**

1. Applications of Gary Palmer and Petr Van Stratum for Truro Representative to Provincetown Water and Sewer Board
2. Chris Lucy's application for ZBA
3. Girard Smith's appointment papers as Emeritus Member of the COA
4. FY19 *Goals & Objectives*
5. Site Plan and Letter of Support for Tradesmen's Park
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