

**Truro Select Board Meeting
Tuesday, January 8, 2019
Truro Town Hall Selectmen's Chambers**

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

Regrets: Paul Wisotzky

Present: Assistant Town Manager Kelly Sullivan-Clark

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

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Denise Seager explained her background and interest in becoming a member of the Council on Aging Board. She offered a few ideas of programs she would like to see for the COA.

Maureen Burgess moved to appoint Denise Seager to the Council on Aging Board for a three-year term, expiring on June 30, 2021. Janet Worthington seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

Amy Graves explained her interest in joining the Bike and Walkways Committee. As a year-round cyclist, she sees the importance of trail upkeep and awareness of bicyclists on the roads.

Janet Worthington moved to appoint Amy Graves to the Bike and Walkways Committee for a three-year term, expiring on June 30, 2021. Maureen Burgess seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

Amy Graves had also submitted an application for the Agricultural Commission, but there are some issues regarding the Agricultural Commission that first need to be cleared.

Maureen Burgess moved to table the appointment at this time. Kristen Reed seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN ACTION

Seal Presentation

Lisa Sette of the Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies and Dr. Andrea Bogomolni of the Northwest Atlantic Seal Research Consortium presented a talk on gray seals and harbor seals in the North West Atlantic, from Labrador to Cape Hatteras. The presentation covered harbor seals: size, population, range, annual cycle, seasonal haul-out locations, and counts in South East Massachusetts. Gray seal information included: size and lifespan, estimated numbers, worldwide distribution, annual cycle, Massachusetts colonies and seasonal haul-out areas, counts in Southeastern Massachusetts, historic uses of seal, midden remains, bounty systems, protection efforts, immigrations, population genetics, and the Head of the Meadow haul-out. The second part of the presentation focused on what we know and covered what has been learned from studies and tagging. Information on seals' place in the ecosystem, their diet, movements, interactions, shark presence, toxin threats, mercury levels, persistent organic pollutants, beach pollution, phocine distemper virus, management were all included.

The scientists answered questions on: species of fish seals eat, seal smell, increasing education and outreach, Town involvement in policy, and working with the White Shark Conservancy. Chair Weinstein commented on having communities work with scientists to understand and deal with the seal population.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature: *none*
- B. Review and Approve Business Licenses: Common Victualer – Truro Box Lunch
- C. Review and Approve Board of Selectmen Minutes: December 11, 2018, December 18, 2018 and Budget Task Force from December 17, 2018

Maureen Burgess moved to approve the Consent Agenda as printed. Kristen Reed seconded, and the motion carried 4-0.

SELECTMEN REPORTS

Three Selectmen gave reports. Janet Worthington indicated that several dissatisfied people had asked about the schedule at the Transfer Station. Maureen Burgess said the Historical Commission had been working with Castle Hill on window replacements for Edgewood Farm buildings. Kristen Reed commended the work of the Budget Task Force. She gave updates from the Recycling Committee on the Swap Shop, food waste collection and acceptance of mattresses at the Transfer Station.

SELECTMEN & ASSISTANT TOWN MANAGER'S COMMENTS

Kristen Reed wished everyone a Happy New Year. Robert Weinstein noted it was the first meeting of the new year. He reminded the public that Budget Task Force meetings may be viewed on TV or on the Town website. He thanked his colleagues and recollected some important achievements of past year. Kelly Clark reached out to members of the public for beach photos for the Annual Town Report.

NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Assistant Town Manager Kelly Clark reviewed agenda items for the next two meetings:
January 15, 2019 – Work Session: Committee charges, Goals & Objectives, host community agreements
January 22, 2019 – Regular Meeting: Public Hearing for CDBG, a condo conversion, the Cloverleaf property bid award, and opening the Warrant for 2019 Annual Town Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Maureen Burgess moved to adjourn. Kristen Reed seconded, and the motion carried 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary Rogers, Secretary

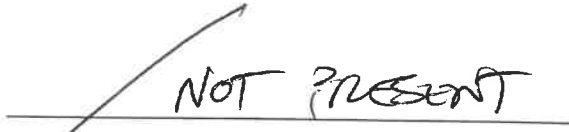
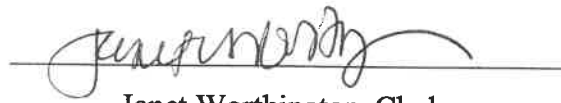




Robert Weinstein, Chair



Maureen Burgess, Vice-chair


Kristen Reed
Paul Wisotzky
Janet Worthington, Clerk

Public Records Material of 1/8/19

1. Application papers of Denise Seager and Amy Graves
2. Center for Coastal Studies report on Cape Cod Seals
3. Common Victualer license materials for Truro Box Lunch

