

**TOWN of TRURO**  
**Truro Historical Commission**  
**Truro Historical Commission Meeting Minutes**

**Meeting Location:** Via GoTo Meeting Video

**Date and Time:** Friday, October 2, 2020, 4:00 pm

**Members Present:** Matthew Kiefer, Chair  
Chuck Steinman, Vice Chair  
David Kirchner, Clerk  
Beth Chapman  
Jim Summers  
Bart Mitchell (pending)

**Members Not Present:** Richard Larkin

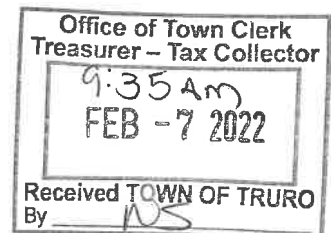
**Also Attending:** Barbara Carboni, KP Law, Interim Town Planner, Town Counsel  
Eric Dray, Dray Consulting  
Stephen Tarantal, Castle Hill Board Member

**Welcome/Introductions:** Barbara Carboni provided instructions to the public about how to access the remote public meeting via phone or online. Chairman Kiefer opened the meeting, welcomed the attendees and asked them to introduce themselves. Mr. Kiefer formally welcomed Bart Mitchell who will be joining the Commission once he has completed swearing-in.

**Approval of Minutes:** Chuck Steinman moved for approval of September 30, 2020 meeting minutes and it was seconded by Beth Chapman. The Commission approved the minutes by rollcall vote

**Castle Hill/Edgewood Farm – Demolition/Replacement Discussion:** Mr. Kiefer briefly explained that the Commission holds a preservation restriction on a portion of Edgewood Farm. Castle Hill is proposing demolition of a building outside of the restricted area and have come for an informal review/discussion. Mr. Tarantal reviewed renderings and the history and make up of the existing building. and the proposed replacement building, which is within the existing footprint of the current structure. There were questions from Commission members regarding the replacement's appropriateness within its surroundings, the proposed dormer and the windows. The general consensus was that the new building does not negatively impact the area subject to the restriction and is not subject to Demolition Review; thus, no action is required by the Commission. [did we take a vote to confirm this?]

**MHC Information Request – National Register Eligibility of CCNS Districts:** Mr. Kiefer briefly reviewed the Commission's request to the Massachusetts Historical Commission (MHC) to make a determination of National Register eligibility for two historic districts within the National Seashore: the Pamets as well as Higgins Hollow – Longnook Road. MHC has requested additional information that conforms to their requirements. To this end, Mr. Kiefer moved into a discussion about the recent approval of CPA funding.



**CPA Funding – Approval for Community-wide Survey:** Mr. Kiefer indicated that the Commission now has funding available through a CPA grant to update the Truro Community-wide Historic Survey 2011-2013 to include certain 20<sup>th</sup> century and Mid-Century Modern resources and also to respond to the MHC request for further detailed information for the proposed Determinations of Eligibility described above. Mr. Steinman indicated that the Commission would need to engage a consultant to assist with this process and the Commission will need to interview potential consultants for this project.

**Payomet Center – CPA project proposal:** There was a brief discussion about supporting the Payomet Center's request for CPA funding for the rehabilitation of the NCO Club on the property. Mr. Steinman briefly mentioned the historical importance of the Highland Air Force base during the Cold War as outlined on the National Park Service website. Some of the buildings may, in fact, end up being included in the Commission's Survey. The Commission will need to receive more information in order to make a determination of the historical significance of the building and its surroundings in order for it to qualify for CPA funding; this will be the subject of a future meeting.

**143 Shore Road – Provincetown Water Department (PWD) replacement Design:** The Commission had previously voted to waive demolition delay for the PWD's proposed demolition of a pump station, subject to design review of the replacement structure and historic documentation of the existing structure. Mr. Kiefer briefly summarized that the design review subcommittee, comprising himself, Vice Chair Steinman and Member Summers, completed an initial review of the proposed replacement structure and that they were satisfied with modifications made by the PWD, subject to reviewing materials choices. The Commission requested some historic documentation of the building from the PWC.

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn by Mr. Kirchner and seconded by Mr. Steinman and approved by a rollcall vote of the members.

Respectfully submitted



David Kirchner, Clerk

