

Select Board Meeting Minutes

March 14, 2023, Regular Meeting

Via GoToMeeting Platform

Select Board Members Present: Kristen Reed-Chair, Robert Weinstein-Vice Chair, John Dundas-Clerk, Susan Areson-Member, Stephanie Rein-Member

Select Board Members Absent:

Others Present: Darrin Tangeman-Town Manager, Kelly Clark-Assistant Town Manager, DPW Director Jarrod Cabral, Barbara Carboni-Town Planner and Land Use Counsel, Nancy Medoff-Charter Review Committee Chair, Mary Rose-Community Preservation Committee Co-Chair, Jim Summers-Community Preservation Committee Co-Chair, Jonathan Witten-Special Counsel, Chris Lucy-Registered Voter, Jack Riemer-Registered Voter, Cynthia Conroy-Registered Voter, Tom Watson-Registered Voter, Rosemary Otocka-Registered Voter, Ernest Sanders-Registered Voter, Elaine Beilin-Resident, Barbara Bond-Applicant, Kevin Grunwald-Applicant

Chair Reed called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm. Chair Reed introduced the Members and Town staff present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

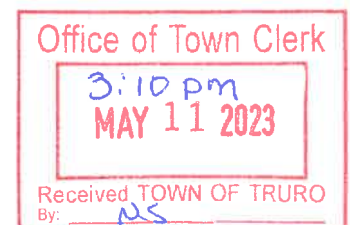
Chair Reed recognized Chris Lucy, a Truro registered voter, who asked questions of Members. Will public comments be allowed during the upcoming scheduled meeting regarding Mill Pond Road? What process or procedure will be in place? Who will choose what plan will be implemented regarding the DPW Facility? When will the decision be made regarding the DPW Facility? Mr. Lucy asked that Members respond to his questions during this meeting.

Chair Reed recognized Jack Riemer, a Truro registered voter, who commented that he participated in last week's Board of Health meeting and discussion regarding a proposed amendment to the Dog Leash Bylaw, a new Stormwater Management Bylaw, and a Fertilizer Bylaw. Mr. Riemer noted that he was unaware of any spring Town Meeting article to consider a Stormwater Management Bylaw, or Fertilizer Bylaw, so he encouraged Members to collaborate with the Board of Health for these topics to be included in the fall Town meeting.

Chair Reed recognized Cynthia Conroy, a Truro registered voter, who commented on the need for public comment on Mill Pond Road as their voices were not heard during the recent March 8, 2023, meeting.

Chair Reed recognized Vice Chair Weinstein, a Truro registered voter, who commented on the responsibilities of dog owners to properly pick up and dispose of their dog's waste in order not to harm the environment.

Chair Reed recognized DPW Director Cabral who provided an update on Pamet Harbor.



Chair Reed recognized Ms. Conroy again who requested to provide comment after DPW Director Cabral's presentation later in this meeting. This was met with no objection by Members.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

INTRODUCTION TO NEW EMPLOYEES

None

BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

A. Interview and Possible Appointment-Barbara Bond and Kevin Grunwald, Council on Aging Board

Before the interviews commenced, Chair Reed announced that a third candidate was unavailable to interview this evening but that she had provided the candidate's availability to Town staff.

Chair Reed and Members interviewed Ms. Bond using the Select Board's standardized questions. After Ms. Bond's interview, Members interviewed Mr. Grunwald in the same manner.

Members made comments following the interviews with both candidates.

Chair Reed made a motion to appoint Mr. Grunwald to a full-term membership expiring June 30, 2024.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 5-0-0, motion carries.

Chair Reed made a motion to appoint Ms. Bond to a full-term membership expiring June 30, 2026.

Member Dundas seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

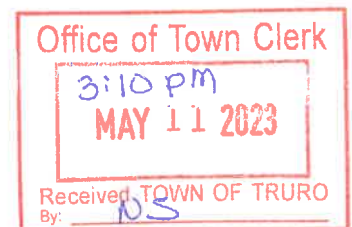
Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 5-0-0, motion carries.

STAFF/COMMITTEE UPDATES

A. Charter Review Committee (CRC) Report: Nancy Medoff, Chair of Charter Review Committee



Chair Reed announced that the CRC Report would be presented during the discussion and possible vote to prepare Articles recommended by the CRC.

B. Depot Road Safety and Traffic Discussion: Jarrod Cabral, Public Works Director

DPW Director Cabral presented options for traffic calming on Depot Road near Holsbery Road and a follow-on discussion ensued with Members. DPW Director Cabral noted that he discussed options with Police Chief Jamie Calise who has increased enforcement in the area and agreed with the installation of speed limit signs along Depot Road.

Chair Reed recognized Truro registered voters, Ms. Conroy, Mr. Watson, Ms. Otocka, Mr. Sanders, and Ms. Beilin who unanimously expressed concern of motorists who drive at excessively high speeds on Depot Road and were supportive of the recommended traffic calming options.

Chair Reed thanked everyone for their comments and noted that coordination will occur with the appropriate Town department heads to implement a solution.

TABLED ITEMS

None

SELECT BOARD ACTION

A. Discussion and Possible Vote to Prepare Articles Recommended by the Charter Review Committee
Presenters: Nancy Medoff, Charter Review Committee (CRC) Chair and Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

CRC Chair Medoff provided the CRC Report as well as background and recommended changes to Articles. A discussion ensued among Members and CRC Chair Medoff regarding the CRC's "priorities" and the Select Board's "goals and objectives" as well as several other topics.

Chair Reed made a motion to direct staff to prepare Town meeting articles on proposed changes to the term of the Planning Board to 3 years, proposed changes to the term of the Housing Authority to 3 years, amend committee charges to include requiring meetings be held to update goals and objectives and progress updates in line with the Select Board's goals and objectives, proposed changes to the Charter that would require regulatory boards to annually hold meetings on goals and objectives and progress updates in updating the CRC charge to include voting on all Charter-related articles including citizen petitions before going to Town Meeting.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

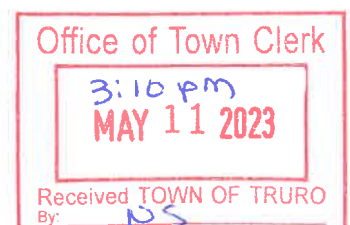
Member Dundas – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 5-0-0, motion carries.



B. Discussion and Vote to Recommend Community Preservation Act Articles as Recommended by the Community Preservation Committee

Presenters: Mary Rose and Jim Summers, Community Preservation Committee Co-Chairs

Co-Chair Rose reviewed a summary of recommended Community Preservation Act Articles with the Members. A discussion ensued among Members and Co-Chairs Rose and Summers. Members also read aloud the recommended Articles.

Member Dundas departed the meeting unexpectedly and did not return. Chair Reed stated that she hoped that Member Dundas was okay.

Member Areson made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate \$545,174.85 from projected Community Preservation Act Projected FY'24 Surcharge Charge Revenue and \$204,825.15 from the Community Preservation Undesignated Fund Balance for a total of \$750,000 to contribute to the Truro Affordable Housing Trust Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Rein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate \$100,000 from the Community Preservation Act Undesignated Fund Balance to provide a regional contribution for community housing at 3 Jerome Smith Way, Provincetown or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Areson made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$25,000 from the Community Preservation Act Undesignated Fund Balance to provide technical assistance to the Truro Housing Authority or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

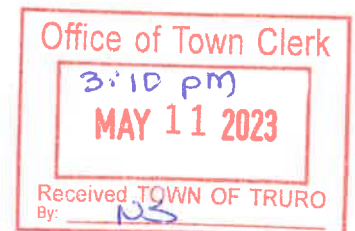
Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.



Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$71.00 from the Projected Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Act Surcharge Revenue, and a

sum of \$25,202.00 for a total of \$25,272.00 for the restoration of the Congregational Cemetery at 3 First Parish Lane, by the Friends of the Truro Meeting House or take any other action relative thereto. Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Areson made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$5,630.00 from the Community Preservation Act Undesignated Fund Balance for preparation of an updated guide to the historic landmarks of Truro by the Truro Historical Commission and the Truro Historical Society or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Rein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$19,675.00 from the Community Preservation Act Undesignated Fund Balance to prepare a field guide and signage for the Town's historic cemeteries by the Truro Cemetery Commission or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$11,023.00 from the Projected Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Act Surcharge Revenue to replace the gutters of the Cobb Archive Library located at 13 Town Center Road or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

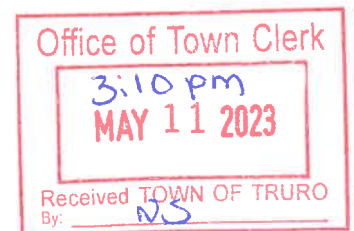
Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.



Prior to the next motion, Assistant Town Manager Clark noted that the Town had reached out to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts to inquire on the next two Articles as to whether Truro had a Historic

Preservation Restriction. Depending on the decision on this inquiry, Assistant Town Manager Clark advised that the language may have to be altered in the recommended Articles. Members present unanimously agreed to postpone a vote on the next two Articles until a decision was rendered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Members, Town staff, and Co-Chairs Rose and Summers discussed the two Articles which were not voted upon.

Member Rein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$11,820.00 from the Projected Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Act Surcharge Revenue to provide protective display shields and display cases and for 3D generated model ships for the Pamet Harbor display at the Highland House Museum for the Truro Historical Society or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Areson made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to appropriate the sum of \$36,344.15 from the Projected Fiscal Year 2024 Community Preservation Act Surcharge Revenue for the administrative expenses of the Community Preservation Committee or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

C. Discussion and Vote to Recommend Town Meeting Articles
Presenter Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Chair Reed made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$800,000.00 from Free Cash to reduce or stabilize the FY2024 Tax Rate or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

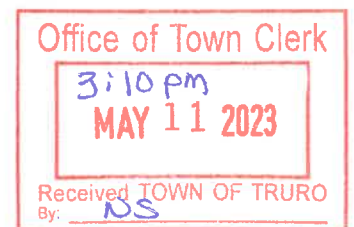
Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.



Member Rein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from Free Cash to the Capital Expense Stabilization Fund or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$5,000.00 from Free Cash to the Election Budget to pay the costs of a fall 2023 special town meeting and/or fall 2023 special town election, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Chair Reed made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$125,000.00 from Free Cash to the Reserve Fund to be available for extraordinary or unforeseen expenditures in the Fiscal Year 2024 or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

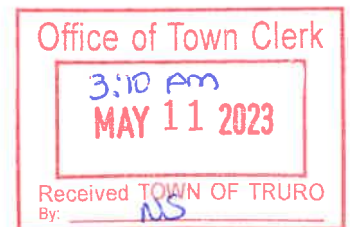
Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Areson made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$26,718.00 from Free Cash to the Health and Conservation Budget to pay the costs of Truro's share of a regional substance use disorder program in an amount issued to the Town as part of a statewide opioid settlement, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.



Member Rein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$400,000.00 from Free Cash to the Department of Public Works Capital to pay the costs of construction services related to beach parking lot paving and beach parking lot maintenance, and for the of all other costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$170,000.00 from Free Cash to the Public Education Capital to pay the costs of construction services to replace the exterior doors at Truro Central School, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Chair Reed made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$100,000.00 from Free Cash to the Employee Benefits and Reserve Account; or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Member Areson made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$50,000.00 from Free Cash to the Health and Conservation Department Services Budget to pay the costs to conduct a hydrogeologic evaluation of an area in the Pond Village neighborhood, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye
Member Areson - Aye
Member Rein - Aye
Chair Reed – Aye
So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.



Member Rein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$56,000.00 from Free Cash to the Health and Conservation Department Services Budget to pay the costs of procuring a consultant to provide technical assistance required to complete a comprehensive wastewater management plan, and for the payment of all other costs incidental and related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.

Prior to the roll call vote, Chair Reed recognized Mr. Riemer who commented on this matter.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to vote to recommend for the Town to transfer the sum of \$600,000.00 from the Capital Stabilization Fund for the Public Safety Facility Repair Project; or take any other action relative thereto.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

D. Appointment of Jonathon D. Witten as Special Counsel

Presenter: Barbara Carboni, Town Planner and Land Use Counsel

Town Planner and Land Use Counsel Carboni provided background on a matter involving the National Seashore and the need for a second set of eyes as KP Law has a conflict of interest.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to appoint Jonathon D. Witten as Special Counsel to the Town on permitting and related issues regarding 35A Higgins Hollow Road.

Member Dundas seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 5-0-0, motion carries.

CONSENT AGENDA

Upon the announcement of the Consent Agenda, by Chair Reed, Member Rein recused herself from voting on the minutes of 12.20.2022 as she was not present at that meeting.

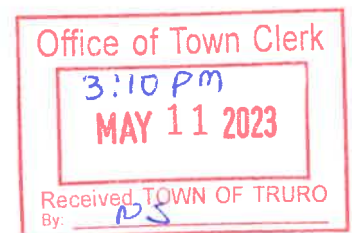
A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature: None

B. Review and Approve Appointment Renewals: None

C. Review and Approve Select Board Minutes: Regular Select Board Minutes of 11.15.2022; Regular Select Board Minutes of 12.13.2022; Regular Select Board Minutes of 12.20.2022

Chair Reed made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as printed in the packet minus Member Rein's recusal from the vote on the minutes of 12.20.2022.

Member Areson seconded the motion.



Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye

Member Areson – Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

SELECT BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS

Member Areson announced that Kristen Roberts had been appointed to the Finance Committee. There will be a budget presentation, Town meeting preview and candidates' night coming up prior to the Town meeting and inquired how these events would be held (in-person, GoToMeeting, or hybrid). Chair Reed commented that she favored a hybrid option and Town staff was aware of her preference. Member Areson also followed up on Select Board office hours and Members should have received a sheet for office hours sign-up. There are no hours at Town Hall as very few sign up for that. Finally, Member Areson would like Members to consider extending Transfer Station hours starting in May.

Member Rein thanked DPW Director Cabral and Town staff for their work on the public forum on March 8, 2023, regarding Mill Pond Road. The Walsh Property Community Planning Committee meeting for this week has been cancelled. More information regarding the next several meetings is available on the Town's website. The Disabilities Commission is working on several projects regarding Puma Park with an emphasis on a communications board.

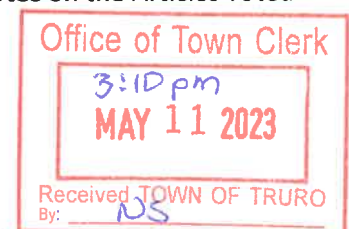
Vice Chair Weinstein attended the most recent meeting of the Council on Aging board and he was very encouraged by the new staff. There was enthusiasm about strengthening current programs which serve the community.

Chair Reed commented on public interest on Mill Pond Road and that Town staff, along with the Select Board, have had 12 opportunities for the public to express their views on this topic. Chair Reed, Members, and Town staff discussed the issues surrounding the inability of the public to comment directly on the Town's website regarding Mill Pond Road. It was noted that the only two comments on the website were posted 21 and 16 days prior. Assistant Town Manager Clark commented that comments may only be made and posted by individuals who are registered on the website. Chair Reed emphasized that this is a community engagement tool.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Tangeman mentioned that he has office hours for the public on Mondays from 2:30 pm-4:00 pm, by appointment, and the information to make an appointment is on the Town website. There is a possibility that the Collective Bargaining Agreement may be brought to the Select Board at the next meeting.

Following the Town Manager's report, Chair Reed announced that at the next meeting there would be more Articles for the Warrant and an action item to record Member Dundas' votes on the Articles voted on this evening by the Members who were present.



Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to adjourn at 7:24 pm.

Member Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye

Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,



Alexander O. Powers

Board/Committee/Commission Support Staff



Darrin K. Tangeman Under the Authority of the Truro Select Board

Public Records Material Attachments

Legal Notice

Application to Serve-Barbara Bond, with Chair's comments.

Application to Serve-Kevin Grunwald, with Chair's comments.

Sample traffic calming measures.

Draft Community Preservation Act 2023 Annual Town Meeting Articles

Draft Town Meeting Articles List

Draft Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Correspondence from United States Department of the Interior dated March 2, 2023, and attachments

