Select Board Meeting Minutes

April 11, 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, Town Planner/Land Use Counsel Barbara Carboni, DPW Director Jarrod Cabral, Alex Lessin-Finance Director, Damion Clements-Community Services Director, Chris Lucy-Truro Voter, Peter Cook-DPW Employee, Benjamin Morris-DPW Employee, Dylan Kaeslau-DPW Employee, Jennifer Pierce-Community Services Department Employee, Caitlin Gelatt-Finance Department Employee, Alfred Fehlau-Applicant, Nancy Medoff-Charter Review Committee Chair, Gary Hanna-President of WGTX, Shawn Grunwald-Truro Voter

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

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair Reed welcomed members of the public to offer comment.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Lucy who commented that there was no decision for the DPW Facility location. Mr. Lucy stated that this will result in an additional \$200,000 in costs to the Town.

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

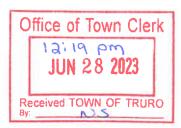
## **INTRODUCTION TO NEW EMPLOYEES**

Chair Reed recognized DPW Director Cabral, Community Services Director Clements, and Finance Director Lessin who introduced the Town's new employees for the respective departments. The new employees introduced themselves to the Members and the Truro community. Members welcomed the new employees.

- A. Public Works Department: Peter Cook, Benjamin Morris, Dylan Kaeslau
- B. Community Services Department: Jennifer Pierce
- C. Finance Department: Caitlin Gelatt

### **BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

A. Interview and Possible Appointment for Charter Review Committee-Alfred (Fred) Fehlau



Chair Reed welcomed Mr. Fehlau who provided a brief introduction to his background prior to the commencement of the standard interview questions asked by the Members.

Chair Reed recognized Charter Review Committee Chair Medoff who commented on Mr. Fehlau's background. Charter Review Committee Chair Medoff reviewed the charge of the Charter Review Committee with Mr. Fehlau.

Chair Reed led the discussion with Members regarding Mr. Fehlau's background and qualifications to serve in this role.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to appoint Fred Fehlau to the Charter Review Committee, filling an unexpired, 3-year term that expires on June 30, 2024.

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

None

# **TABLED ITEMS**

None

#### **SELECT BOARD ACTION**

A. Discussion on Cell Tower (344 Route 6) Cell Signal Degradation Due to 5G Interference and Resolution Options

Presenter: Gary Hanna, President (WGTX x102.3 FM)

Chair Reed recognized Town Manager Tangeman who provided background on this matter before Town Planner/Land Use Counsel Carboni who stated that a Special Permit from the Planning Board would be required to make any modifications on the tower.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Hanna who provided an overview of the current situation and possible resolution options. Mr. Hanna noted that T-Mobile has been unresponsive to inquiries from WGTX, and that the FCC has a regulation that allows a small modification to the tower without interference from the Town. Mr. Hanna also stated that through this process, WGTX has learned that Crown Castle and WGTX are renting simultaneously the same space on the tower so that needs to be resolved as well. Town Planner/Land Use Counsel Carboni stated that she respectfully did not agree with Mr. Hanna's assessment of the FCC regulation and supported the Abutters' right to comment on this matter.



Chair Reed inquired as to the cost requirement and Mr. Hanna stated that the Town would not pay but that T-Mobile should share the cost with WGTX. Mr. Hanna also noted that an osprey is currently back on the tower so no modification can occur at this time.

Members and Mr. Hanna discussed the following highlighted topics: any structural changes to the tower, the mounting of a mast that would be 20', the "Fall Zone", the timeline for this project, and the potential impact on the Abutters. Town Planner/Land Use Counsel Carboni stated that the hearing process will be in front of the Planning Board but perhaps WGTX would come in front of the Select Board to receive guidance from the Select Board.

Chair Reed informed Mr. Hanna that no further action would be taken this evening as the Members needed to perform additional due diligence before the Members could provide guidance to WGTX. Mr. Hanna stated that he understood.

Town Planner/Land Use Counsel Carboni offered to speak with Mr. Hanna tomorrow, or at his convenience, to discuss the modified procedure moving forward. Mr. Hanna thanked the Members and departed the meeting.

B. Discussion and Possible Vote to Revise Walsh Property Community Planning Committee Charge Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager, and Stephanie Rein, Select Board Member

Chair Reed announced that this agenda item would not be discussed as this was removed from the agenda as it was an administrative oversight.

C. Vote on Cost-of-Living Adjustment for Barnstable County Retirees Presenter: Alex Lessin, Finance Director

Chair Reed recognized Finance Director Lessin who presented an overview of the Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA) that would be raised from 3% to 5% for FY2023 (if approved tonight) and not for FY2024 as that was typographical error from the Executive Director. Finance Director Lessin also noted that the proposal that the county has put together won't come into effect until the FY2025 Budget.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to approve the 1-time Cost-of-Living Adjustment for Fiscal Year 2023 from a maximum of 3% to a maximum of 5%.

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. Office of Town Clerk

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D. Town Meeting Motion Assignment
Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Chair Reed reviewed the Town Meeting motion assignments with the Members and there were no objections.

Member Dundas made a motion to approve the recommended 2023 Annual Town Meeting motion assignments.

Vice Chair Weinstein 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.

E. Vote on Nominees for the Fred Todd Community Service Award Presenter: John Dundas, Clerk

Chair Reed recognized Member Dundas who reviewed the nominations of the three nominees (Art Hultin, Robert Masson, and Monica Kraft) for the first Fred Todd Community Service Award.

Chair Reed recognized Vice Chair Weinstein who said that he had filed a disclosure form with the Massachusetts Ethics Commission as Ms. Kraft is his spouse and he will not vote on the nominees; however, Vice Chair Weinstein stated that he retained the right to comment on the nominees.

Chair Reed led the Members in a discussion of the nominees and then invited members of the public to comment.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. Grunwald and Mr. Lucy who commented on the nomination of Ms. Kraft.

A brief discussion ensued among the Members whether or all three nominees should be selected or a sole individual.

Member Dundas made a motion to award Monica Kraft the first Fred Todd Community Service Award, to be presented at the Annual Town Meeting on April 25, 2023.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

**Roll Call Vote:** 

Vice Chair Weinstein – Abstained Member Dundas – Aye Member Areson - Aye Member Rein - Aye Chair Reed – Aye So voted, 4-0-1, motion carries.



Following the vote, Member Dundas stated that he had spoken with Ms. Susan Todd earlier in the week and that she had expressed her gratefulness for the support from the Select Board and public. Ms. Todd will attend the upcoming Town Meeting for the award presentation.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature:
  - 1. National Opioid Settlement-Participation Agreement
- B. Review and Approve Appointment Renewals: None

C. Review and Approve 2023 Seasonal Business Licenses: Common Victualer-Highland Links Café, Transient Vendor-Highland Links Café, Hillside Farmstand, Common Victualer, and Transient Vendor-Days Market and Deli

- D. Review and Approve Application for Amendment Change of Business Entity Information on Alcohol License-Cape Provisions LLC dba Jams Market <u>to</u> dba Truro General Store
- E. Review and Approve Terra Luna Restaurant Temporary Use of Outdoor Area
- F. Review and Approve Avenue D Temporary Use of Outdoor Area
- G. Review and Approve Temporary Revised Alcohol License Terra Luna Restaurant
- H. Review and Approve Temporary Revised Alcohol License Avenue D
- I. Review and Approve Select Board Minutes: Regular Meeting of 2.28.2023

Prior to the vote to approve the Consent Agenda, Member Rein announced that she was not present at the Select Board meeting on February 28, 2023, and so Member Rein will abstain from that vote.

Chair Reed made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as printed in the packet minus Member Rein's recusal from the February 28, 2023, meeting minutes that she did not attend. 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.



### **SELECT BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Weinstein stated that he had attended the most recent Planning Board meeting and observed a very interesting discussion on the proposed Bylaws which will appear on the Warrant. Vice Chair Weinstein noted that he had a meaningful conversation with Planning Board Vice Chair Rich Roberts and commented that the Planning Board should be commended for their hard work.

Member Dundas stated that he agreed with Vice Chair Weinstein's comments about the Planning Board and noted the leadership of Planning Board Chair Anne Greenbaum. Member Dundas said that the Concert Committee is preparing for the upcoming season and that he had reviewed the School Committee meeting as he was unable to attend that meeting. Chief of Police Calise attended the School Committee meeting and Member Dundas noted the community's interest in moving forward regarding public safety.

Member Areson reported that she had conducted office hours at the Community Center and citizens were interested in learning more about the Override. Member Areson noted that there was confusion about emergency services so written information should be available to the public. Member Areson suggested a discussion by the Members about in-person meetings and conducting hybrid meetings. Member Areson also said that the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee and the Walsh Property Community Planning Committee are doing a lot of work and that a date certain should be determined for the fall Town Meeting.

Member Rein stated that she agreed with Member Areson's comments regarding the fall Town Meeting and that she had recently held office hours at the Community Center. Member Rein noted that there are many activities going on at the Community Center to include exercise classes, lunches, and music concerts. Member Rein reminded the public that there will be a pre-Town Meeting held at 5 pm on Thursday at the Community Center. Member Rein also reminded the public to be careful when driving as the turkeys, otters, and turtles are on the move this spring.

Chair Reed reiterated the pre-Town Meeting this Thursday and voter registration ends on April 15, 2023, at Town Hall which closes at 4 pm. Annual Town Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 5 pm, at Truro Central School and Annual Town Election will be held on May 9, 2023, at the Community Center, from 7 am to 8 pm. In response to remote and hybrid meetings, Chair Reed said that she asked Town staff to investigate a better technology to prevent intrusions which disrupted a recent meeting which had over 150 participants. Chair Reed then asked Town Manager Tangeman to provide an update on the new version of Zoom and Town Manager Tangeman said that Town staff will test it prior to the pre-Town Meeting to ensure a smooth meeting.

### **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Town Manager Tangeman thanked the Town staff for their hard work in preparing the Town Report and executing the Town Meeting over the last couple of weeks. Town Manager Tangeman then reviewed the agenda for the next Select Board meeting on May 10, 2023.

Chair Reed recognized Vice Chair Weinstein who commented that it was important to add the discussion of the location of the DPW Facility to the agenda. Town Manager Tangeman asked to speak with DPW Director Cabral to see if they can be deliberate and prepared for such a discussion. Town Manager Tangeman cautioned about a rush to failure on this topic. Chair Reed noted that a discussion about the process on this topic, not a detailed presentation, could be acceptable for the next meeting or the one following.

Chair Reed said that Town staff could utilize Communications and Marketing Coordinator Katy Ward in preparing a written response to the public's questions about the Override. Town Manager Tangeman stated that the Town staff already has a final version of this written information and that it could be distributed to the public in the next day or so. Member Areson requested to see it prior to distribution to ensure that the questions she was asked during her office hours were answered. Town Manager Tangeman will distribute the final version to Vice Chair Weinstein and Member Areson for their comments prior to the distribution to the public.

Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to adjourn at 7:10 pm.

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.



## Respectfully submitted,

Alexander O. Powers

Board/Committee/Commission Support Staff

Kristen Reed, Chair

John Dundas Clerk

Stephanie Rein

**Truro Select Board Members** 

### **Public Records Material Attachments**

**Legal Notice** 

Application to Serve and Resume-Fred Fehalu

Correspondence from Gary Hanna, President (WGTX)

Minutes from September 27, 2022, Select Board meeting.

Draft Revised Walsh Property Community Planning Committee Charge

Letter and Information from Barnstable County Retirement Association

**Draft Motions and Recommended Movers of Articles** 

Fred Todd Community Service Award Nominations

Renewal Application for 2023: Highland Links

Renewal Application for 2023: Days Market and Deli

Renewal Application for 2023: Hillside Farmstand

ABCC Application to Change DBA: Jams Market to Truro General Store

Email Request from Owner of Terra Luna Restaurant

Advisory Regarding LAA Approval of Patio

Email Request from Owner of Avenue D

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ABCC Seasonal License Holder's Application: Terra Luna Restaurant

2022 Temporary License with Extension of Outdoor Area: Terra Luna Restaurant

ABCC Seasonal License Holder's Application: Avenue D

2022 Temporary License with Extension of Outdoor Area: Avenue D

