

Select Board Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2023, Regular Meeting (Hybrid)

Via Zoom Platform

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

Others Present: Darrin Tangeman-Town Manager, Kelly Clark-Assistant Town Manager, Finance Director Alex Lessin, Town Accountant Trudi Brazil, DPW Director Jarrod Cabral, Principal Assessor Jon Nahas, Emily Beebe-Health and Conservation Agent, Economic Development Committee (EDC) Chair Robert Panessiti, EDC Member Chris LaMarco, EDC Member Kristen Roberts, Board of Health Chair Tracey Rose, Clint Kershaw (Applicant to Serve); Karen Ruymann (Truro Voter), Jay Coburn (CEO of Community Development Partnership), Amanda Bebrin (Director of Housing Advocacy at Community Development Partnership), Jack Riemer (Truro Voter), Kevin Kuechler (Truro Voter), Michela Murphy (Business Owner & Member of the Provincetown Historic District Commission), Kristen Roberts (Truro Voter), Anne Greenbaum (Truro Voter), Jon Slater (Truro Voter), Chris Lucy (Truro Voter), Kevin Grunwald (Truro Voter), Michael Forgione (Truro Voter), Jennifer Cohen (Truro Voter), Regan McCarthy (Truro Voter), Cyrus Claffey (Truro Voter)

Chair Reed called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm and read the information for the public to access the meeting and participate. Chair Reed introduced the Members and Town staff present.

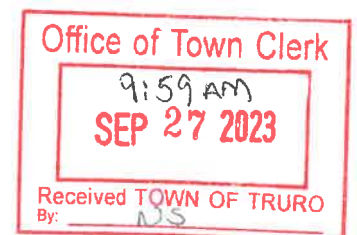
PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Kershaw who commented on a first-time home buyer who was interested in purchasing a 450 square foot condominium for year-round use but was unable to have other residents of the condominium association agree to make their homes available for inspection by a Town official. This has now put the purchase of the condominium at risk and Mr. Kershaw requested that the Members review this topic at a future meeting.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. Ruymann who commented on Mr. Richter's reappointment to the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee (LCPC) that is listed on tonight's Consent Agenda. Ms. Ruymann stated her opposition to Mr. Richter's reappointment based upon his public comments, interactions with the public, and posts on social media.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Coburn who introduced a new colleague, Ms. Bebrin, and described her role. Ms. Bebrin expressed her enthusiasm for joining the CDP and looked forward to collaborating with the Members.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Riemer who stated his support for Ms. Ruyman's previous comments regarding Mr. Richter's reappointment to the LCPC. Mr. Riemer requested that Mr. Richter's reappointment be tabled for another Select Board meeting so Members could consider another individual.



Chair Reed recognized Mr. Kuechler who commented on the comments made by Finance Committee Chair Robert Panessiti at the Annual Town Meeting regarding the Cloverleaf project that was not on the Warrant. Mr. Kuechler stated that Mr. Panessiti's comments were misleading, inaccurate, and he mocked residents who did not share his view on the Cloverleaf project.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. Murphy who stated that she had appeared at the last Select Board meeting and thanked the Members for their support of the dune shack dwellers. Specifically, Ms. Murphy thanked Member Rein and Member Weinstein for their letters of support. Ms. Murphy also thanked Town Manager Tangeman for taking the time to meet with Provincetown's Assistant Town Manager Dan Riviello and take a dune tour to fully understand what was at stake for the dune shack dwellers. Ms. Murphy noted the environment of bullying in Truro towards Town staff and volunteers serving on committees who want to make the community a better place.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. Roberts who commented on how wonderful the community of Truro is and that the level of discourse must come down. Ms. Roberts encouraged Members to continue to appoint all people of the Town to committees and not just the loudest.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. Greenbaum who wanted to acknowledge the magnificent work done by the Family Group, at the Truro Central School, for the wonderful cornhole event at Corn Hill Beach. Ms. Greenbaum noted that there were approximately fifty people who attended.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Slater who commented on a petition that he had drafted that reflects no confidence in Town Manager Tangeman as over four hundred residents signed the petition. Mr. Slater encouraged the Select Board to give this petition thoughtful consideration at the next meeting and not renew Town Manager Tangeman's contract.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Lucy who stated that the Town has still not decided on the proposed DPW Facility and that has resulted in an additional \$200,000 cost. Mr. Lucy encouraged the Members to decide in the next month as this has been under consideration for three years and the current cost is \$29,600,000.

Chair Reed recognized Mr. Grunwald who commented on the Cloverleaf project IA system and the development of an oversight group. Mr. Grunwald recommended that the Select Board hold a town forum to educate the public on the role of the Town Manager and the Select Board as this may reduce the discourse.

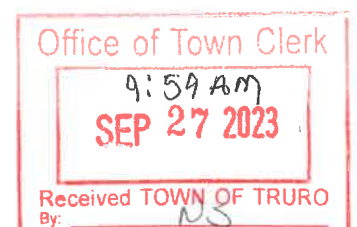
Chair Reed recognized Vice Chair Areson who announced that the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee will host a public forum on Thursday, June 15, 2023, for those interested in providing input on Truro's future. Food and childcare will be provided.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

INTRODUCTION TO NEW EMPLOYEES

None



BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

A. Board of Health - Clinton Kershaw, Candida Monteith, Tracey Rose, Jason Silva

Chair Reed welcomed Mr. Kershaw and invited him to introduce himself. Member Weinstein asked a question of Mr. Kershaw about collaboration between the Council on Aging and the Board of Health. Mr. Kershaw also noted that he had a previous issue with the Board of Health and it is now in the process of being resolved. Chair Reed asked about Mr. Kershaw's social media posts reflecting his personal opinions on issues and how he can serve on the Board of Health fairly and objectively.

Chair Reed welcomed Ms. Monteith via Zoom and invited her to introduce herself and explain why she would like to continue to serve on the Board of Health. Vice Chair Areson thanked Ms. Monteith for her interest in serving and noted that Ms. Monteith had grown in the role.

Chair Reed welcomed Ms. Rose and invited her to introduce herself and explain why she would like to continue to serve on the Board of Health. Members interviewed Ms. Rose. Member Rein, Member Weinstein, and Member Dundas asked Ms. Rose follow-up questions about her years of service, her extensive leadership experience, and her interest in wastewater management.

Chair Reed welcomed Mr. Silva and invited him to introduce himself and explain why he would like to continue to serve on the Board of Health. There were no follow-up questions.

After the interviews, Chair Reed and the Members deliberated about the candidates interested in serving.

Vice Chair Areson made a motion to appoint Tracey Rose to the Board of Health for a three-year term expiring on June 30, 2026.

Member Dundas seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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

Member Weinstein made a motion to appoint Jason Silva to the Board of Health for a three-year term expiring on June 30, 2026.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

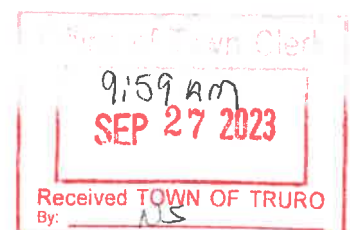
Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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

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Member Dundas made a motion to appoint Candida Monteith to the Board of Health for a one-year term expiring on June 30, 2024.

Vice Chair Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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

After the motions passed, Chair Reed announced that there was a process in place for appointees to be sworn-in despite the vacancy of the Town Clerk. Town Manager Tangeman will email that information to the appointees.

STAFF/COMMITTEE UPDATES

A. Presentation of Economic Development Report

Presenter: Robert Panessiti, Economic Development Committee (EDC) Chair

Chair Reed recognized Chair Panessiti who introduced EDC Member LaMarco and EDC Member Roberts. Chair Panessiti thanked the Town staff who assisted in providing data for the report and noted that the report is available on the Town website. Chair Panessiti briefly reviewed the charge, methodology and information received to generate the report. Chair Panessiti also reviewed the EDC's Vision and Strategy with a focus on demographics, housing, industry mix, and land use.

Member LaMarco briefly reviewed the results from focus groups.

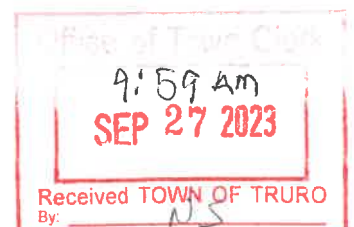
Chair Panessiti then reviewed the recommendations for prioritized actions and implementations from the EDC to the Select Board, Planning Board, ZBA, and the Local Comprehensive Plan Committee, and other Town Hall departments.

Members thanked the EDC for its comprehensive work in generating the report. Members and EDC Members discussed the following highlighted items: the regularity of creating an EDC report (every 2, 3, or 5 years), the unreliability of bus service to deliver seasonal employees to their places of work on time, the unreliability of local internet infrastructure, and the impact of the Regional Transit Authority's efforts to purchase more electric vehicles which can facilitate the local workforce to travel to work and not negatively impact the environment.

Chair Reed thanked the EDC Members and they departed.

Chair Reed then invited Mr. Forgione to comment on the EDC presentation and the definitions of "workforce," "housing," and "labor". Mr. Forgione asked that the language be clarified. Mr. Forgione expressed concern about the Town's wages for municipal employees based upon the departure of several firefighters due to better wages in other Cape Cod towns.

Chair Reed thanked Mr. Forgione for his comments.



Chair Reed then recognized Mr. Riemer who commented on the EDC's report regarding seasonal workers' housing opportunities and requested that the Select Board determine those opportunities.

Chair Reed thanked Mr. Riemer for his comments and noted that the Planning Board on which Mr. Riemer serves is working on this topic.

B. Public Works Facility Update

Presenter: Jarrod Cabral, Public Works Director

Chair Reed recognized DPW Director Cabral who gave a brief update on the DPW Facility feasibility study and reviewed Weston & Sampson's opinion on cost impacts and accuracy for cost escalation. DPW Director Cabral also noted that there will be a couple more open houses on June 27, 2023, from 2-4 pm, and on July 11, 2023, from 2-4 pm. A virtual tour will be announced at a future date. DPW Director Cabral concluded that the peer review may take 4-6 weeks, and due to staff turnover, this may be delayed, and he was hopeful that he would receive a proposal this week.

Members and DPW Director Cabral discussed the following highlighted topics: proposed site locations and improvements needed to accommodate the DPW facility, the need to make an immediate decision on the site location as costs continue to rise, and the poor attendance of Town residents at the three previous open houses that yielded only 8 residents who attended.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. Cohen who commented on the ad hoc committee and recommended that the committee be appointed now so they could meet with the consultant. DPW Director Cabral replied that had not been discussed yet and he did not believe that had not been done previously.

Chair Reed recognized Ms. McCarthy who commented on her concerns about the DPW site selection and the impacts to residents along Route 6 and the environment.

TABLED ITEMS

None

SELECT BOARD ACTION

A. Goals & Objectives FY2023 Progress Report

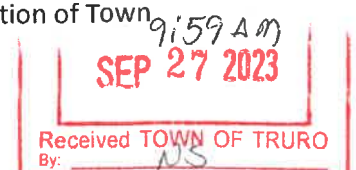
Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Without objections from the other Members, Chair Reed merged this topic with the Goals and Objectives FY2024 Process Discussion as listed in tonight's agenda.

B. Goals & Objectives FY2024 Process Discussion

Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Prior to Town Manager Tangeman's presentation, Members briefly discussed updates regarding these selected highlighted items: the Civility Pledge, the Housing Ad Hoc Committee, Town-owned property, revenue generation, a revised cost approach for a new DPW facility at a yet to-be-determined site, EMS services, childcare vouchers, the Provincetown Water and Sewer Board, and digitization of Town records. The Civility Pledge and Childcare Voucher will not move forward.



Chair Reed recognized Mr. Claffey who commented on the DPW facility and offered to serve and assist with the DPW facility site selection and building committee process. Chair Reed thanked Mr. Claffey for his comment and offer to serve.

C. CCNS Land Exchange

Presenter: Jon Nahas, Principal Assessor, and Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Town Manager Tangeman and Principal Assessor Nahas presented information and a proposal to the Select Board so that the Town could move forward with the Cape Cod National Seashore regarding a potential land swap of Town lands. The presentation covered the necessity for a land swap and then reviewed various parcels, projects, and easements under consideration. The presentation concluded with the Town staff's and Town Counsel's recommendations to the Select Board and next steps.

Chair Reed made a motion to authorize the Town Manager to submit the proposed land swap to the Cape Cod National Seashore for review and approval.

Member Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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

D. Community Sustainability Programs: Update on Implementation and Approval of Voucher Program Administration Solicitation and Eligibility Requirement

Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Town Manager Tangeman presented an update to the Members. The Members' packets included the Program Overview. After the presentation, Members discussed Town Manager Tangeman, Assistant Town Manager Clark, and Finance Director Lessin the following highlighted topics: a request for the Select Board to receive an annual assessment regarding the successes and failures of the voucher program, the Program Overview, application timelines, and the payment process.

Member Dundas made a motion to approve the Childcare Voucher Program eligibility guidelines identified in the Program Overview and authorize the Town Manager to proceed with hiring a contracted Program Administrator for the Childcare Voucher Program.

Member Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

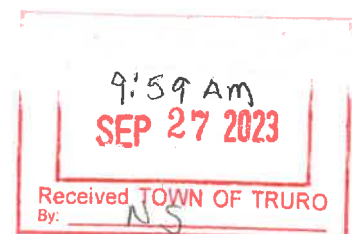
Member Dundas – Aye

Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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



E. Vote to Enter into Intermunicipal Agreement between the Towns of Truro and Brewster regarding Transfer of Net Metering Credits

Presenter: Alex Lessin, Finance Director, and Trudi Brazil, Town Accountant

Finance Director Lessin provided an update on this matter and presented an Intermunicipal Agreement that has been reviewed by Truro's Town Counsel. Finance Director Lessin noted the mutual benefits for Truro and Brewster.

Member Weinstein made a motion to approve and electronically sign the Intermunicipal Agreement between the Towns of Truro and Brewster regarding transfer of Net Metering Credits.

Member Rein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

Member Dundas – Aye

Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature:

1. Special Entertainment Sunday and Weekday Licenses for Truro Vineyards, 11 Shore Road
2. Application for Entertainment License for Truro Concert Committee

B. Review and Approve Reappointment Renewals: Susan Girard-Irwin, Open Space Committee; Tracey Rose, Provincetown Water/Sewer Board; Eric Morea, Pamet Harbor Commission; Christine McGee, Recreation Advisory Committee; Peter Morris, Recreation Advisory Committee; Kait Blehm, Local Comprehensive Plan Committee; Raphael Richter, Local Comprehensive Plan Committee; Apryl Shenk, Council on Aging Board; Ann Courtney, Beach Advisory Committee; Sallie Tighe, Human Services Committee; Lindsey Wilson, Energy Committee; Robert Higgins-Steele, Energy Committee; Mark Farber, Energy Committee; Michael Cohen, Charter Review Committee; James Nash, Energy Committee

C. Review and Approve Acknowledgement of Avenue D Closure for the 2023 Season (as it pertains to Alcohol License non-issuance)

D. Review and Approve Select Board Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes of 3.28.2023.

Member Rein made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as printed in the packet with the amendment that Town staff noted that Michael Cohen's appointment to the Charter Review Committee should be a 3-year term that expires on June 30, 2026.

Vice Chair Areson seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Areson – Aye

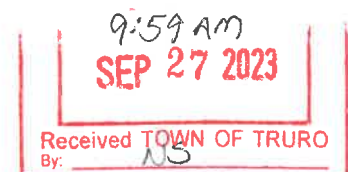
Member Dundas – Aye

Member Weinstein - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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



SELECT BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS

Member Rein congratulated all the Truro seniors who recently graduated from Naust Regional High School and Cape Cod Regional Technical High School. The Walsh Property Community Planning Committee will host a meeting tomorrow evening, June 14, 2023, and all are encouraged to attend.

Member Weinstein thanked Member Rein for her letter sent to the federal government (the National Park Service) regarding the dune shacks. Member Weinstein updated the Members that he had received an unsolicited call from Cape Cod National Seashore Superintendent Brian Carlstrom taking issue with an addressee listed on the distribution list and Superintendent Carlstrom recommended two less senior officials in that individual's place.

Member Dundas wished a Happy Birthday to the Merchant Marine and for the sacrifices of those people in service of this nation. Member Dundas also noted that the Army birthday and Flag Day is this week as well. Member Dundas reminded anyone who serves on a committee or board to complete their security training as requested by IT Director David Wennerberg. Member Dundas thanked Lowe Cape Ambulance Association, EMS and law enforcement for their professionalism and recent response to an emergency at a neighbor's home.

Vice Chair Areson congratulated Health/Conservation Agent Emily Beebe, and her colleagues from Provincetown, Wellfleet, and Eastham in securing a grant of \$360,000 for an Outer Cape Wellness Program. Vice Chair Areson reminded the public that there will be a LCPC forum at the Community Center this Thursday at 5:00 pm.

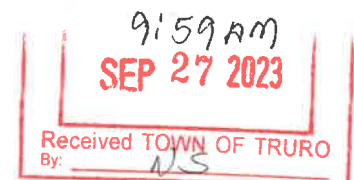
Chair Reed thanked those who serve on the various Town committees as well as the community volunteers who help move Truro forward.

TOWN MANAGER REPORT

Town Manager Tangeman congratulated Arozana Davis of the Health/Conservation Department who recently earned her certification as a registered Environmental Health Specialist and Sanitarian. The sale of beach stickers has begun for the summer season. Town Manager Tangeman also stated that he had met briefly with Mr. Slater following his appearance earlier at tonight's meeting when Mr. Slater voiced his concerns about Town Manager Tangeman. Town Manager Tangeman noted that he will continue that dialogue with Mr. Slater and that he is open to those discussions with Town citizens. Town Manager Tangeman then read a prepared statement addressing the roles and responsibilities of the Town Manager to address misconceptions circulating around Truro. Town Manager Tangeman concluded that there are clearly residents who do not believe that their voices are being heard by local government and he wanted to ensure that the appropriate local government officials heard their concerns.

Chair Reed then reviewed the agenda for the next Select Board meeting and noted that it is time for the Members to make public comments regarding the proposed DPW facility.

Chair Reed then recognized Town Manager Tangeman for his comments regarding agenda items for the upcoming meeting.



Members then discussed the necessity to conduct Select Board business over the course of two meetings rather than one exceptionally long meeting. Chair Reed, Town Manager Tangeman, and Assistant Town Manager Clark will meet this Thursday to determine a second meeting for June 29, 2023, based upon projected time for each agenda item.

Member Dundas made a motion to adjourn at 8:26 pm.

Member Weinstein seconded the motion.

Roll Call Vote:

Vice Chair Weinstein – Aye

Member Dundas - Aye

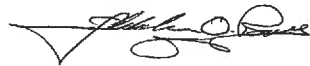
Member Areson - Aye

Member Rein - Aye

Chair Reed – Aye

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

Respectfully submitted,

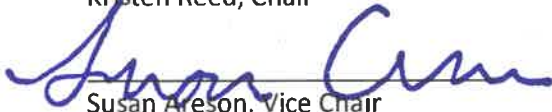


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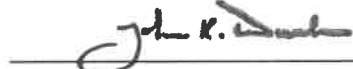
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Kristen Reed, Chair



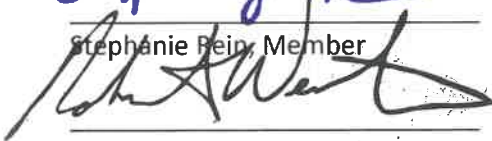
Susan Areson, Vice Chair



John Dundas, Clerk



Stephanie Rein, Member



Robert Weinstein, Member

Public Records Material Attachments

Legal Notice

Application to Serve – Clinton Kershaw

Application to Serve – Candida Monteith

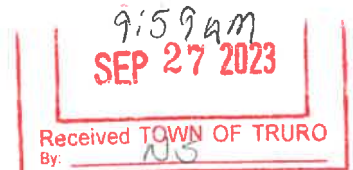
Application to Serve – Tracey Rose

Application to Serve – Jason Silva

2022 Economic Development Report

FY2023 Goals & Objectives

Goals & Objectives FY2023 Progress Report



Select Board FY203 Goals & Objectives
Advertisement/Notice for June 27, 2023, Public Meeting
Presentation Prepared by Town Assessor
Childcare Voucher Program Overview
Proposed IMA between Truro and Brewster
Net Metering Credit Purchase Agreement between Truro and Altus Power
Amendment to Solar Net Metering Credit Agreement
One Day Entertainment Application and Public Entertainment on a Sunday State Application
Application for Entertainment License
Application to Serve – Susan Girard-Irwin
Application to Serve – Tracey Rose
Application to Serve – Eric Morea
Application to Serve – Christine McGee
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Application to Serve – Mark Farber
Application to Serve – Michael Cohen
Application to Serve – James Nash
Email from the Owner of Avenue D (dated June 6, 2023)
Letter of Acknowledgement to the ABCC
Jon Slater's Public Comment Written Statement as Provided

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