

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

October 5, 2017

This week's activities of note from the Town Manager's Office:

- *Town Hall will be closed on Friday October 6th for floor maintenance and will be closed on Monday October 9th for Columbus Day.*
- *I had a conference call regarding the upcoming MPO election, for which Selectmen Weinstein is running for reelection. This is a regional position and will be voted on by the members of the Provincetown, Truro, Wellfleet and Eastham Selectboards. The Cape Cod Commission will be forwarding more information and absentee ballots for the November election.*
- *I attended the Cape Cod Regional Transportation Authority (CCRTA) Board Meeting on Wednesday morning. The CCRTA received additional federal funds which were allocated toward service improvement at this meeting.*

Upcoming Meetings:

- Tuesday, October 10, 2017-Council on Aging Board at Truro Council on Aging @ 10:00am
- Friday, October 13, 2017-Community Preservation Committee at Truro Town Hall @ 4:15pm

Department News:

Fire Department

- The Department responded to 5 requests for medical assistance, resulting in 4 transports to the hospital. In all we responded to a total of 10 calls that included inspectional services, general assistance, alarm activations, calls for public service assistance and a good intent calls.
- The Fire Chief met with area Chiefs and the Director of the Barnstable Fire Academy to finalize the agenda for the regional training day. The day will be two separate tracks. One is focused on the Incident Command System (ICS) and the other program is a Basic Skills Refresher.
- Fire Fighter Christianna Brown has started her 10 week Career Recruit program and Fire Fighter Laytin Reis is halfway through his program and scheduled to graduate on 3 November 2017.
- The Department welcomes the addition of 2 new per-diem staff members to the roster. Fire Fighter/EMT's Benjamin Bartolini and Joseph Battista have come on board to help supplement Department operations.

Department of Public Works

- DPW Director Cabral has prepared and posted invitations for bids in collaboration with the Town Accountant for a drive-on, pit-type truck scale for commercial haulers. The bid opening is scheduled for the 27th of October.
- Beach breakdown will continue up until the third week of October with the removal of all signs and mutt mitt containers.
- The Safety Facility exterior painting will be completed by Monday, along with new entryway signage and markings throughout the parking lot.
- Online sales for the Transfer Station permits continue with daily sales through personal computers and kiosk locations, as well as over the counter sales at Town Hall.

Recreation/Beach

- Recreation
 - The department is preparing for Trunk or Treat in Wellfleet and the TEEA Hay Ride.
 - Community Volleyball resumed on Wednesday, October 4, at the Truro Community.
 - The Pamet After-School program is open for new registrations for the 2017 – 2018 season.
 - Community Pickleball will resume on Saturdays at the Truro Community Center.
- Beach
 - Truro Beach Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, October 28, 2017.
 - The Truro Beach Office is currently closed and will reopen Saturday, June 9, 2018. Beach stickers

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are not required to park at the town's beaches until Saturday, June 16, 2018. Effective September 4, 2017 – June 8, 2018, all beach fire permits may be obtained at the Truro Fire Department by calling (508)487-7548. ORV permits are available at the Truro Town Hall.

Harbormaster

- Last week the Harbor Staff made parking available for a bus of a visiting high school girls' soccer team. A local stand-up paddle board company made boards, paddles, and wetsuits available for use for the team to paddle up the harbor river (see attached photo 201709323).
- With continued good weather and no wind, tuna fishing activity this week has increased and we are seeing more vehicle/trailer launches with the parking lot about ½ -3/4 full mid-week and almost completely full on weekends. Therefore we have put out a half dozen cones to make sure mooring holders that are still in the water have ample parking.
- Because the end of the summer boat season is approaching, many mooring holders and float owners have hauled out their boats for the season. The harbor staff aided several boat owners with safe hauling of boats as well as putting a couple of stranded boats on trailers with the Harbormaster boat. There are only about 1/3 of the total boats that are still on moorings and floats – so planning for removal of floats and moorings is underway for the next couple of months in preparation for annual dredging.
- The Harbormaster met with Coastal Engineering (the company the Town is using to facilitate sediment sampling and the permitting process) to update the status and plans for dredging the harbor channel, dock and basin mooring area. The staff also reviewed the status of the permitting process for the new dock expansion with Coastal Engineering and referred them to the Truro Conservation Department for further documentation required.
- During the week, a lot of work was accomplished by the Shellfish Warden by putting out the remaining bags of remote set oysters. Several boatloads of bagged remote set oyster in areas of the harbor that were previously surveyed will need additional propagation and seeding (see photo 20170928).

Assessing

- Continuing the FY18 Residential Exemption implementation & review process.
- Statutory Exemption & Residential Exemption applications continue to be accepted until April 1, 2018 at 4:00pm.

Council on Aging

- A Seasonal Flu Clinic will be held Friday, October 13th from 1:00-3:30 pm at the Truro Community Center. The clinic is open to all town residents, employees, and uninsured and/or underinsured. *Please bring a photo I.D. and Insurance cards. For further information about the flu clinic, contact the Truro Health Department at 508-349-7004, x119 or email: ebeebe@truro-ma.gov
- Medicare Open Enrollment-DON'T DELAY...Once again it is time to review your Medicare health and prescription coverage. Medicare's Annual Open Enrollment runs from October 15th-December 7th. During this time you can enroll, dis-enroll, or switch your Medicare Part D Prescription Drug Plan or Medicare Advantage Plan (HMO, PPO). Sheila Curtin, SHINE Representative, will be at the COA on Tuesday, October 17th at 1:30 PM to discuss the plans available for 2018 and their changes.
- Men's Workout Class. The Men's Workout program will continue to meet weekly, on Tuesdays from 10:45 am to 11:45 am. This free class is a blend of strength, flexibility, agility and balance geared specifically to the needs of men.

Library

- For the month of October, the photographs Grace Hopkins created of artwork on the Berlin Wall will be on display in the Community Room. While technically they are photographs, they are not manipulated. They look and feel like abstract paintings.

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- On October 10th at 6:30 p.m., Pond Road's own naturalist, Tor Hansen, will present on the flora and the fauna of Truro's Twine Field Meadow.
- On October 11th, at 6:00 p.m., Jay Vivian will discuss the science behind solar eclipses.
- The Children's Play Group will begin again after the summer hiatus on Monday, October 16th.
- Monday, October 16th, is Truro Library Friends Night at Van Rensselaer's Restaurant in Wellfleet. The owners will donate a portion of the evening's profits to the Friends of the Truro Library.

Attachments

1. Barnstable County Fire Academy Skills Day Announcement

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