

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

October 13, 2017

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

- *Please join us for a ceremonial deed signing for the property at the corner of Highland Road and Route 6. The Lieutenant Governor and other officials will be attending.*
- *Staff and I met to begin discussions on the proposed year-round condo bylaw. Discussion centered around a proposed public information session, best practices for gathering data from condo owners regarding the proposed bylaw, and which health and building codes would require compliance for year round occupancy.*
- *I attended part one of the six-session Cape Housing Institute program regarding affordable housing with other Town of Truro staff and officials. The program is recommended for members of local government boards, committees, and staff.*
- *Staff and I met with representatives of MA DOT, the Center for Coastal Studies, the Seashore and the Woods Hole Group to discuss the next steps on the replacement of the East Harbor Culvert. It was a very productive discussion about the proposed best option. Our partners are willing to work with us so that we pick the replacement option that provides the most environmentally sound solution allowing for the most flexibility in the future.*

Upcoming Meetings:

- Monday, October 16, 2017-Human Services Committee at Truro Town Hall @ 2:00pm
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017-Truro Cemetery Commission at Truro Town Hall @ 10:00am
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017-Board of Health at Truro Town Hall @ 4:30pm
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017-Finance Committee at the Public Safety Facility @ 5:00pm
- Tuesday, October 17, 2017-Board of Selectmen at the Public Safety Facility @ 5:00pm

Department News:

Fire Department

- The Department responded to 9 requests for medical assistance, resulting in 7 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.
- Fire Chief Collins continues to work on policy development for the Department.
- The Department would like to remind residents as the cooler weather approaches we most likely will start using our heating systems, it is important that you have your system checked by a qualified technician to reduce the risk of Carbon Monoxide, below is a link.
<https://pilot.mass.gov/files/2017-07/2015%20CO%20Safety%20general.pdf>
- As Halloween approaches it is important that we be safety conscious while also having fun. Below is a link with some helpful Trick or Treating safety tips.
<http://www.mass.gov/eopss/docs/dfs/osfm/pubed/flyers/2016-halloween.pdf>

Department of Public Works

- DPW Director Cabral has prepared an invitation for bids in collaboration with the Town Accountant for a new septic system to be installed for the Beach Office. The bid opening is scheduled for November 3, 2017.
- Cleanup and reorganization of the DPW grounds has been completed.
- Beach break down will continue up until the third week of October with the removal of all signs, and mutt mitt containers.
- The retaining wall project at the Transfer Station is nearing completion. The DPW anticipates backfilling early next week.
- 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.

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Recreation/Beach

- Recreation
 - The department is preparing for Trunk or Treat in Wellfleet and the TEEA Hay Ride scheduled for Friday, October 27th, 2017.
 - Community Volleyball – Wednesdays 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - The Pamet After-School program is open for new registrations for the 2017 – 2018 season.
 - Community Pickleball – Saturdays, 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - Director Clements attended an Inclusive Playground Symposium hosted by Little Tikes.
 - Youth soccer teams continue to practice and play the neighboring towns' teams.
- Beach
 - Truro Beach Clean Up is scheduled for Saturday, October 28th, 2017.
 - The Truro Beach Office is currently closed and will reopen Saturday, June 9th, 2018. Beach stickers 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.

Harbormaster

- It was a busy weekend for boating as the parking lot was full and brought the close to the commercial tuna as the quota was filled for the season. Still, many boats continue to fish because of the good weather and the abundance of blues, bass and mackerel.
- Beginning this week Harbor Master Jackett began hauling some of the floats in the basin, anticipating less pressure on the parking lot.
- Water samples were taken from the Pamet Harbor in preparation of the shellfish season. The Harbor Master will follow up by taking shellfish samples to the New Bedford lab on a day next week depending on scheduling. The Pamet area could open for shell-fishing November 5th.

Assessing

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

Library

- 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.
- The Truro Library Trustees' monthly meeting will take place on Friday, October 20th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Cobb meeting room at the Library.

Administration

- The office is ready to start selling the 2017-2018 season shell fishing permits. Annual resident permits are \$25.00, annual non-resident permits are \$100.00, a seven-day pass is \$25.00, and the senior pass (62 years of age, or older) for residents is still free. All permits have been printed in-house and are ready. The first day of sales will be Monday, October 16th, 2017. Annual permits, regardless of when they are sold, will expire on October 30, 2018.

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Attachments

Oysters at Pamet Harbor

