

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

March 29, 2018

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

- *I attended the Truro Chamber of Commerce meeting on Monday evening to discuss ways that we could work together and to provide a brief update on the proposed budget and Town operations.*
- *The Police Chief Search Committee met in Executive Session on Wednesday to prepare candidate interviews to prescreen applicants for the Board of Selectmen. The Committee is comprised of two members of the Board of Selectmen, two members of the Police Department, four members of the public, and me.*
- *Outer Cape Health Services held a meeting for the Town Administrations from Truro, Wellfleet and Eastham to discuss the Community Resource Navigator program. This program is funded by the three towns and provides community members in need of services a connection to service providers.*
- *The Annual Town Meeting warrant was completed and sent to the printer.*
- *Please join us for Pre-Town Meeting, Candidates Night, and the Budget Hearing on April 10th at 5:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.*

Upcoming Meetings:

- Monday, April 2, 2018-Truro Conservation Commission @ Truro Town Hall at 6:00pm
- Tuesday, April 3, 2018-Truro Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall at 4:30pm
- Tuesday, April 3, 2018-Bike and Walkways @ Public Safety Facility at 6:00pm
- Wednesday, April 4, 2018-Truro Planning Board @ Truro Town Hall at 5:00pm

Department News:

Police Department

- Members of the Department volunteered and participated in a Truro Police Work Day at the Habitat for Humanity homes that are under construction on Route 6.
- Chief Danziger attended the Massachusetts Police Accreditation Conference in Falmouth this week.
- There is a Rabies Clinic, Saturday March 31st at 10 AM at the Herring Cove Animal Hospital.

Department of Public Works

- The Transfer Station will be closed Easter Sunday April 1, 2018.
- Scale assembly began on Monday the 19th and will continue through next week. The traffic pattern will temporarily be changed while under construction. Due to the extreme weather conditions last weekend, the completion date has been pushed back to April 16, 2018.
- To combat the undermining at the Longnook Beach landing area, DPW crews manually caved in the entrance to restore the dune to its natural state. The entrance will be monitored over the next few weeks, and will remain closed until further notice.
- Mapping and data collection has been completed by way of a drone flight from Ballston Beach over the Pamet River to the Harbor. We look forward to reviewing, and sharing, the data with our stakeholders by the end of next week.
- The culvert located on Old County Road just past Prince Valley Road has been repaired and water flow has been restored.
- The Dune directly in front of Coast Guard Beach has been replenished and beach grass is scheduled to be planted next week.

Harbor Master

- Shellfish harvesting closes in the Pamet Harbor area for the season on April 1, 2018.
- The Shellfish Warden will begin seeding shellfish areas throughout the spring beginning in early April.
- Staff met with representatives from Coastal Engineering and Meeco Sullivan at the harbor to check the floating docks for repairs, and to review plans for the new docks in preparation of their delivery.
- There were 35 people harvesting shellfish over the weekend on another raw and winter-like day.

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Recreation/Beach

- Recreation-Ongoing Activities
 - Community Volleyball – Wednesdays 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - The Pamet After-School program: Monday – Friday 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm at the Truro Recreation Lounge.
 - Community Pickleball – Saturdays 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - Zumba Fitness – Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community Center.
 - Over 40 Coed Indoor Soccer – Tuesdays, 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm at the Truro Central School.
- Activities this week
 - Planning for childcare at Truro Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 24, 2018.
 - Planning for April Vacation program.
 - Planning for Autism Awareness Day, Monday, April 2, 2018.
 - Planning for Summer Rec Youth Program.
- Beach
 - The Truro Beach Office is currently closed and will reopen Saturday, June 9, 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.

Council on Aging

- Annual Town Meeting – The Council on Aging will be offering transportation to Annual Town Meeting on Tuesday, April 24th. Please call Shawn Grunwald, the Transportation Coordinator at 508-487-2462 to schedule a ride.
- Read Across America – COA Director Travers read to the kindergarten class at Truro Central School during the 20th anniversary of "Read Across America" which is a celebration of reading.
- Transportation Survey – A survey was distributed through the February 2018 Truro COA newsletter to help provide some consumer guidance for the transportation program. Although the response rate was low (about 7%), some important information was obtained.
 - Most of the respondents do not believe that transportation services should only be for medical appointments (88%) or shopping (83%).
 - More than half of the respondents (58%) believe that it is reasonable to request that medical appointments be made between the hours of 10:00 am and 2:00 pm.
 - A clear majority of respondents (72%) feel that there should be designated days for shopping and errands. Also, a clear majority (75%) believe that the transportation services should be supported in part by voluntary donations. 13.8% stated that they disagree with voluntary donations.
 - Seventy-two (72) percent of respondents agreed that there should be occasional weekend and evening transportation provided for specific events. One of the respondents felt that this should not be offered. There was a clear preference for transportation to be provided for Hyannis shopping trips. Also, more than half the respondents would like day trips to local places of interest or destination trips to museums.

Health and Conservation

- Letters to property owners in the flood plain of the Upper Pamet Valley were posted Monday.
- Health and Conservation Agent Beebe participated in a site visit with Cape Cod National Seashore staff and Center for Coastal Studies Coastal Geologist Mark Borelli on Monday, March 26th.
- Both Health and Conservation Agent Beebe and Assistant Health and Conservation Agent Davis participated in a conference call with Barnstable County staff on Tuesday, March 27th to review beach

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sampling protocol, billing, and permitting.

- This week our office commenced review of procedures for the 2018 Farmers Market.
- Work on the emergency permitting for the compromised building at 135 South Pamet Road continued.
- Health and Conservation Agent Beebe and Town Planner Harper met at CCNS headquarters on March 28th to continue work with the Wellfleet Conservation & Health Agent and the CCNS Planner. Our group participated in a webinar series presented by the NPS in February-March. The webinar focused on Communication of Climate Change adaptation strategies. Our final product is a power-point presentation that we intent to use to kick-start discussion with our respective Boards about building climate change adaptation strategies into our local regulatory and planning framework. This power-point will be presented to the 3 Governmental participants: CCNS, Truro and Wellfleet. At this time, we anticipate presenting to the Truro Conservation Commission at their meeting of May 7, 2018.

Administration

- All mooring/kayak rack holders have been mailed out their 2018 application to secure a spot at Pamet Harbor.
- 134 Seasonal Rental Registration applications have been received and processed.