

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

November 2, 2018

Announcements:

- A Special Town Meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2018 at 6 PM at Truro Central School. Childcare and transportation will be available. Please come to hear about and vote on matters that affect the Town. The Warrant can be found in hard copy throughout town or online [here](#).
- Please note that effective November 1 to April 30, the Transfer Station is open Friday through Tuesday from 7:30 am- 3:30 pm.

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

- Staff participated in training on People Forms, a new software that will allow citizens to access maps and complete forms and applications online.
- DPW Director Jarrod Cabral, Health and Conservation Agent Emily Beebe, Mark Borelli from the Center for Coastal Studies and Tim Smith from the CCNS and I had a web/ conference call with the project team from the Army Corps of Engineers regarding the Pamet River project. During the conference call we reviewed the collected data and the timeline for modeling and recommendations. I had hoped to schedule a presentation in early November, but the Army Corps has additional data to review before they begin modelling. The additional data was collected after the tide gate was replaced.

Upcoming Meetings:

- November 5, 2018-Zoning Board of Appeals @ Truro Town Hall at 5:30 pm (to be opened at Town Hall and then moved to the Public Safety Facility).
- November 5, 2018-Conservation Commission @ Truro Town Hall at 6:00 pm.
- November 6, 2018- Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall at 4:30pm.
- November 7, 2018-Board of Selectmen @ Truro Town Hall at 5:00 pm.
- November 8, 2018-Herring Rover Restoration Committee @ CC National Seashore Headquarters at 9:30am.
- November 8, 2018-Local Comprehensive Plan Committee @ Truro Town Hall at 5:00 pm.
- November 9, 2018-Commission on Disabilities @ Truro Council on Aging at 3:30pm
- November 9, 2018-Community Preservation Committee @ Truro Town Hall at 4:15 pm.

Department News:

Police Department

- Dispatcher Heidi Dyer and Officer Sarah Lake participated in "Trunk or Treat" at the Wellfleet Drive-In on Halloween evening. There were many families in attendance and photographs of this fun event are posted on the Truro Police Department's Facebook page.
- Department members attended an in-service training on October 30th presented by Finest's Professional Development. The day long program included leadership training and professional development for law enforcement personnel, both sworn and civilian.
- The shaving cream is officially on vacation and we have begun "No Shave November". All proceeds will be donated to Home Base to assist our returning service members. Each participating officer will donate \$100.00 which the Truro Police Association will match. If you would like to personally donate, please visit <https://because.massgeneral.org/fundraiser/1708134>.

Department of Public Works

- The Swap Shop has been removed. Excavation for required DEP remediation of the area will begin next Wednesday. Next week's test pits will determine the final DEP permitting requirements for the new Swap Shop.
- The Transfer Station will be closed Wednesdays and Thursdays until May 1, 2019.
- A temporary realignment of the Transfer Station during remediation and construction will only impact the metal recycling drop off area. A container for depositing metal is accessible for all next to the clothing trailer.

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- The DPW Feasibility Study kick-off meeting and staff interviews have been rescheduled for November 21, 2018.
- Paving of Twine Field Road has been completed. Transfer Station asphalt repair work will be scheduled next.
- A team meeting regarding the Pamet River study was held this past Wednesday with the Army Corps of Engineers. Town Manager Palmer, Conservation Agent Beebe, DPW Director Cabral, and our partners from the Center for Coastal Studies and the National Park service were also in attendance for the update.
- The volunteer nonprofit group associated with the Friends of the COA, have retired from managing the bottle and can redemption area at the Transfer Station. The shed was evaluated for storage use, and overall condition. It was determined to be beyond economical repair, and recommended for removal by our Building Commissioner.

Harbor Master

- Shellfish Constable Jackett checked Dana Pazolt's grant and culling site, as he is preparing to over-winter his juvenile oysters on Dan Smith's deeper water site. Assisted in his request to amend his propagation permit with the State.
- Shellfish Constable Jackett collected log books from grant holders and the vibrio season has ended and sent in the data forms from onsite inspections.
- Harbor Master Jackett continues to haul floats out of the water and remove the moorings in the tidal basin.

Recreation/Beach

- Recreation-Ongoing Activities
 - Adult Indoor Soccer – Thursdays 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Truro Central School
 - Community Volleyball – Wednesdays evenings at the Truro Community Center.
 - Pamet After-School program: Monday – Friday 3:00pm – 5:30 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - Youth Soccer Practices
- Recreation-Activities this week
 - Youth Soccer games
 - Preparing for Open Gym for basketball at Truro Central School.
 - Director Clements and Asst. Director Nunes attended Provincetown's Greet N' Treat Halloween event.
- Beach
 - The Beach Office, located at 36 Shore Road is currently closed. Beach stickers are not required to park at town-owned beach parking lots.
 - To report a shark sighting please call the Truro Police Department at (508)487-8730.
 - To purchase ORV stickers visit the Licensing Desk at Town Hall, located at 24 Town Hall Road.
 - For inquiries about the beaches please call (508)487-1632.
 - Beach fire permits for September 5, 2018 or later are issued at the Truro Fire Department.
- *Warning – Recent shark sightings at ocean side beaches, practice shark safety.*
 - *Don't swim where seals are present.*
 - *Don't swim too far from shore.*
 - *Avoid swimming early and late in the day (when sharks tend to feed).*
 - *Swim in groups.*
 - *Avoid wearing shiny jewelry or other accessories (which look like fish scales to a shark).*
 - *Avoid surfing alone.*
 - *Avoid areas with signs of baitfish or fish feeding activity – watch for diving seabirds.*
 - *Be aware that sharks may be present between sandbars or near steep drop offs.*

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Council on Aging

- **Medicare Open Enrollment Presentation-** Tuesday, November 6th at 1:30 PM, Tracey Benson, SHINE Program Manager and Representative will outline and discuss the plans for 2019 Medicare Open Enrollment and their changes. Limited space available to attend this presentation. Call Kate at 508-487-2462 to sign up. 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.
- **COA CAFÉ November 6th, 12:30 PM-** Have lunch with us on Voting Day! **LUNCH MENU-**Beef and Broccoli Stir Fry over Rice Pilaf Pumpkin Caramel Bread Pudding. Soup To Go: White Bean and Escarole. Please call on Monday, November 5th by 12:00 to make a reservation.
- **Elders of Special Concern Program**
Upon returning home from the hospital or rehabilitation center, be sure to contact our Outreach Department for any support or resources you may need, such as medical equipment, meals on wheels or in-home supports. You can also be added to our Elders of Special Concern Program list so that in the case of a predicted storm, you will be contacted to determine if you have adequate supplies in preparing for possible power outages, etc. If you live alone, are disabled, use oxygen or other special medical equipment or feel you could benefit from this program, please call 508-413-9508 to sign up.

Library

- Library Director Ford and Galen Malicoat had a very instructive time at a day-long meeting in Chicago to participate in an orientation for a national study on broadband in libraries.
- The Children's Garden Group has ended its outdoor activity, and has transitioned to creating an art project, based upon what the members have learned. This year, the subject of the art project is mushrooms. The art will be displayed.
- Vareika Construction is hard at work replacing the library roof. Progress is being made at a very fast pace, and the workers have been very respectful of library operations.

Administration

- Just a reminder, Shell fishing permits for the new season are now on sale; Resident-annual is \$15.00, Non Resident-annual is \$100.00, Resident 62 and over is no charge, and a One Week permit is \$25.00. These permits will be effective starting November 1, 2018.

Attachments

Dana Pazolt culling oysters from his site

