

## Select Board Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2024, Meeting (Hybrid via Zoom)

Via Zoom Platform

Select Board Members Present: Susan Areson-Chair, Robert Weinstein-Vice Chair; Nancy Medoff-Clerk; Susan Girard-Irwin

Select Board Members Absent: Stephanie Rein-Member

Others Present: Darrin Tangeman-Town Manager; Kelly Clark-Assistant Town Manager; Jamie Calise-Police Chief; Jarrod Cabral-DPW Director; Emily Beebe-Health and Conservation Agent; Damion Clements-Community Services Director and Alternate Representative to the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA); John Marksbury (Truro Voter); Amy Rogers (Truro Voter); Susan Packard (Truro Resident); Hannah King (Truro Voter); James Goshen (Truro Voter); Cemetery Commission Chair Holly Ballard-Gardner; Cemetery Commission Treasurer Robert Masson; John Dundas (Truro Voter and Applicant to Serve); Jonathan Sperber (Truro Voter and Applicant to Serve); Jonathan Winder (Truro Voter and Applicant to Serve); Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA) Administrator Tom Cahir; CCRTA General Manager John Kennedy; CCRTA Assistant Manager Fred Valdivia; Jack Riemer (Truro Voter)

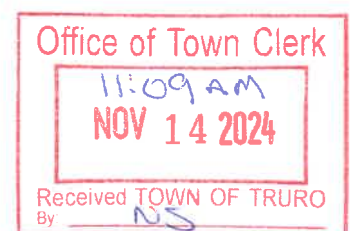
Chair Areson opened the meeting at 5:01 pm and announced that this meeting was being held at the Community Center due to air conditioning issues at Town Hall. Chair Areson read aloud the information for members of the public to join the meeting. Chair Areson also read aloud the rules for the public to follow when making public comments.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chair Areson recognized the following individuals who made public comments: Mr. Marksbury commented on Agenda Item 7B – Review and Possible Revision of Open Space Committee Charge, the proper role of the committee, the reason for the revision of the 2010 charge, and provided his marked-up copy of the charge with his suggestions; Ms. Rogers commented on the importance of the Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA) shuttle to her family member and year-round residents who rely on the shuttle; Ms. Packard commented on the importance of the CCRTA shuttle to her family member and seasonal workers who reside in her neighborhood; Ms. Beebe who announced that longtime Truro committee volunteer (previous Climate Action Committee Chair and Community Emergency Response Team member) Carol Harris had passed away on Thursday, July 18, 2024 and had a green burial on Friday, July 19, 2024 and reminded the public that box turtles are very active right now and please be aware of them on the roadways; Ms. King advocated for not changing the bus route on South Highland Road since it benefits young adults in the neighborhood who have cognitive difficulties and rely on the bus; and Mr. Goshen commented on the importance of the bus route along South Highland Road for three of his family members.

### **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None



## **INTRODUCTION TO NEW EMPLOYEES**

- A. Introduction to Fire Department New Employees: Sarah Rayner, Firefighter/Paramedic, and Shane Sargent, Firefighter/Paramedic  
Presenter: Timothy Collins, Fire Chief

Town Manager Tangeman noted that Chief Collins and the new Fire Department employees were unable to attend this evening due to work obligations and would be introduced at another meeting.

## **BOARD/COMMITTEE/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

- A. Interview and Possible Appointment of Cemetery Commission Member (1): John Dundas, Jonathan Sperber

Chair Areson noted that Cemetery Commission Chair Holly Ballard-Gardner and Treasurer Robert Masson were present for the joint meeting.

Cemetery Commission Chair Ballard-Gardner called to order a special meeting of the Cemetery Commission in a joint meeting with the Select Board and announced the purpose of the joint meeting was to interview two candidates for the vacancy on the Cemetery Commission.

Chair Areson noted that this was a joint appointment as there had been a resignation from the Cemetery Commission that resulted in the vacancy. Chair Areson then read aloud the Select Board's appointment policy and standardized questions for the candidates to answer.

Chair Areson recognized the first candidate, Mr. Dundas, who expressed his interest in joining the commission. Members of the Select Board and Cemetery Commission members had no additional questions for Mr. Dundas.

Chair Areson recognized the final candidate, Mr. Sperber, who expressed his interest in joining the commission. Members of the Select Board and Cemetery Commission members had no additional questions for Mr. Sperber.

Chair Areson invited the Cemetery Commission members to comment on the candidates and Cemetery Commission Chair Ballard-Gardner stated that she and Cemetery Commission Treasurer Masson preferred Mr. Dundas to fill the vacancy.

**Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to appoint John Dundas to the Cemetery Commission, filling an unexpired term until the Annual Town Election of 2025.**

**Member Girard-Irwin seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Cemetery Commission Chair Ballard-Gardner – Aye**

**Cemetery Commission Treasurer Masson - Aye**

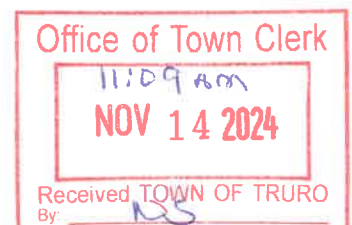
**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 6-0-0, motion carries.**



Cemetery Commission Chair Ballard-Gardner closed the joint meeting at 5:35 pm.

- B. Interview and Possible Appointments of Ad Hoc Walsh Property Advisory Members (5 Full-Member Seats and 1 Alternate Member Seat): David Bannard, Eileen Breslin, Lisbeth Chapman, Morgan Clark, Breon Dunigan, Anne (Alexa) Elam, Jeffrey Fischer, Mark Gebhardt, Anne Greenbaum, Cass Johnson, Todd Schwebel, Jonathon Winder

Chair Areson announced that the Members had interviewed 12 candidates at the last meeting and noted that one candidate (a 13<sup>th</sup> applicant) had withdrawn at the last meeting. Chair Areson said that the Members had one final candidate to interview, Mr. Winder, this evening.

Mr. Winder answered the questions previously announced this evening, answered additional questions asked by several Members, and expressed his interest to serve.

Chair Areson asked the Members to announce their top 6 candidates and noted that Member Rein had provided her top 6 candidates to Town Manager Tangeman ahead of tonight's meeting. Chair Areson read aloud Member Rein's top 6 candidates and the Members then announced their top 6 candidates. Chair Areson kept track of the tally and read aloud the results.

**Clerk Medoff made a motion to appoint Morgan Clark to the Ad Hoc Walsh Property Committee for a two-year term expiring June 30, 2026.**

**Member Girard-Irwin seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

**Chair Areson made a motion to appoint Todd Schwebel to the Ad Hoc Walsh Property Committee for a two-year term expiring June 30, 2026.**

**Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

**Chair Areson made a motion to appoint Breon Dunigan to the Ad Hoc Walsh Property Committee for a two-year term expiring June 30, 2026.**

**Clerk Medoff seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

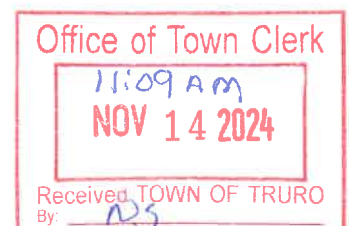
**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**



Chair Areson and the Members further deliberated regarding the following candidates who had were tied on the Members' top 6 candidates list with three votes each for the two remaining Member positions and the one Alternate position: David Bannard, Lisabeth Chapman, Jeffrey Fischer, Anne Greenbaum, and Jon Winder.

Prior to any additional motions being made, Town Manager Tangeman voiced his support for Mr. Bannard as his abilities and familiarity with the RFP process would be valuable to Town Manager Tangeman who also serves as the Town's Chief Procurement Officer.

**Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to appoint Lisabeth Chapman to the Ad Hoc Walsh Property Committee for a two-year term expiring June 30, 2026.**

**Clerk Medoff seconded the motion.**

**Discussion: Vice Chair Weinstein highlighted Ms. Chapman's experience and reviewed her responses during her interview.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

**Member Girard-Irwin made a motion to appoint Jeffrey Fischer to the Ad Hoc Walsh Property Committee for a two-year term expiring June 30, 2026.**

**Chair Areson seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

After the last vote, Clerk Medoff advocated for the appointment of two alternates and Town Manager Tangeman noted that this was not in accordance with the committee's charge. The charge could be changed but not this evening. The Members further deliberated and Town Manager Tangeman noted that Clerk Medoff's suggestion had merit as this committee could last three years and there could be attrition during that period. Vice Chair Weinstein suggested postponing the discussion on the two alternates until the next meeting when Member Rein will be present. There were no objections and this will be added to the next meeting's agenda.

**Chair Areson made a motion to table the appointment of two alternates to the Ad Hoc Walsh Property Committee until the next meeting.**

**Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.**

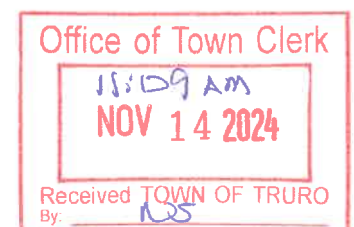
**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**



**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

- C. Nomination of Two (2) Select Board Members to serve on the Selection Committee for the Owner's Project Manager (OPM) for Final Design, Engineering, and Construction Administration of the new Department of Public Works Facility

DPW Director Cabral presented this agenda item (Agenda Item 4C).

Member Girard-Irwin and Vice Chair Weinstein expressed interest in serving on the committee.

**Clerk Medoff made a motion to appoint Susan Girard-Irwin and Robert Weinstein to the Selection Committee for the Owner's Project Manager (OPM) for Final Design, Engineering, and Construction Administration of the new Department of Public Works Facility.**

**Chair Areson seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

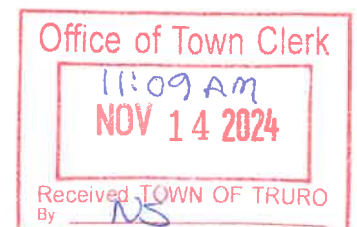
#### **STAFF/ COMMITTEE UPDATES**

- A. South Highland Road Safety and Traffic Measures Update  
Presenter: Town Staff and Cape Cod Regional Transit Authority (CCRTA) Administrator Thomas Cahir, CCRTA General Manager John Kennedy, CCRTA Assistant Manager Fred Valdivia and Town Staff

Town Manager Tangeman provided background information on this issue and then introduced Administrator Cahir.

Administrator Cahir provided an overview of the CCRTA, acknowledged that Ms. Gail Wickstrom, a Truro resident, had called him a year ago about her concerns about South Highland Road; introduced his operations management team present at tonight's meeting; the importance to serve South Highland Road with a data and analytics handout; reported 6,000 boardings along South Highland Road during a 10-week period; read aloud a note from Steven Tupper (Deputy Director of the Cape Cod Commission) supporting the use of South Highland Road as part of the CCRTA route in Truro; and his hope that the Members recognized the importance of the route utilized along South Highland Road.

The Members, Administrator Cahir, Town Manager Tangeman, Police Chief Calise, DPW Director Cabral, and Community Services Director Clements discussed or commented on the following highlighted topics: Ms. Wickstrom's specific concerns; a reassurance of the quality essential service that the CCRTA provides to Barnstable County's residents and visitors; the 8 actions taken by the Town to address Ms. Wickstrom's concerns; the police department's specific actions taken in response to the complaint in the location of concern to include increased speed enforcement and no violations by the CCRTA shuttle; 5 new homes constructed along South Highland Road within the last several years resulting in no increased speeding based upon last year's Speed Study; and a complainant's feedback to DPW Director Cabral is that none of the measures deployed by the Town have worked at all.



After the discussion, Chair Areson stated that this item was added to the agenda after several South Highland Road residents complained to the Members and noted that a similar discussion had occurred last year. Chair Areson said that she felt badly that certain residents did not feel that the Town has not responded in an acceptable fashion to their concerns.

Chair Areson thanked the CCRTA representatives and the department heads for their appearances this evening to provide an update to the community on this matter.

Town Manager Tangeman noted that there were individuals present who wished to comment and Chair Areson invited the following individuals to speak: CCRTA Administrator Cahir who thanked the Town staff and appreciated the opportunity to appear this evening; and Vice Chair Weinstein who thanked Chief of Police Calise and noted that none of the CCRTA buses have been cited for speeding on South Highland Road so the services should not be interrupted.

**B. Barnstable County Updates**

Presenter: Sally Tighe, Assembly of Delegates (Truro Delegate), and Beth Albert, Barnstable County Administrator

Chair Areson recognized Truro Delegate Tighe who introduced Barnstable County Administrator Albert.

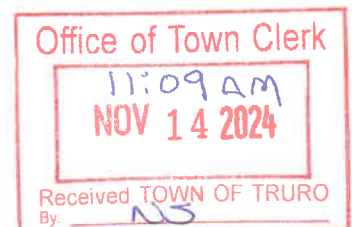
Barnstable County Administrator Albert briefed the Members with a PowerPoint presentation that reviewed the following highlighted topics: an overview of Barnstable County government (Assembly of Delegates and Board of Regional Commissioners); budgets; the role of Barnstable County; services (environmental, education & training, health & wellness, and regional services); Aquifund (low interest loans to residents); Barnstable County Dredge Program (maintaining the changing coastal landscape); Barnstable County IT Services; update on PFAS (PFAS clean up at a former municipal training site); and an introduction to the new county website is [www.capecod.gov](http://www.capecod.gov).

Following the presentation, the discussion included comments and questions regarding: year-round and seasonal residents' eligibility criteria and access to the Aquifund; access to potential grants or monies through other sources to assist Truro as it explores new locations for water sources; the upgrading of dredging equipment and the inclusion in the county's Capital Improvement Program; the county's outsourcing of PFAS testing and its associated costs; and more frequent updates from Truro Delegate Tighe and Barnstable County Dredge Program Director Ken Cirillo at Select Board meetings.

**C. Longnook Beach Closure and Phase II Environmental Site Assessment for the DPW Facility on Town Hall Hill Updates**

Presenter: Jarrod Cabral, DPW Director

DPW Director Cabral provided updates on the Longnook Beach closure and Phase II Environmental Site Assessment for the DPW Facility on Town Hall Hill. The updates included: Truro has contracted with the Center for Coastal Studies and the Woods Hole Group regarding Longnook Beach to conduct surveys and assessments to resolve the issue; the discovery of a buried old oil tank and drums located Town Hall Hill which have been now removed and the removal of the 4-5 yards of contaminated soil; awaiting the results of additional soil sampling tests after the discovery of the oil tank and drums which could take up to 4-5 weeks; water sampling tests will take longer than 5 weeks for the results; the installation of monitoring wells; and a final environmental report of Town Hall Hill should be received in the next 8 weeks.





The Members and DPW Director Cabral commented or discussed the following highlighted topics: Truro has contracted \$151,000 to date in associated costs so far on the removal of the oil tank and drums, the removal of the contaminated soil, testing and monitoring, and the installation of the monitoring wells; soil testing results will take 4-5 weeks and water testing will take longer.

**D. Bi-Annual Community Satisfaction Survey Briefing and Questions**

Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Chair Areson introduced this agenda item and noted that Clerk Medoff had requested this topic be put on the agenda so the Select Board could discuss the potential addition of questions regarding the Town Manager being added to the survey as she felt that this was a missed opportunity for the community to provide feedback.

Town Manager Tangeman provided an update on the survey and highlighted the following topics: launched on July 5, 2024 and the Town will accept responses through September 30, 2024; purpose of the survey is to collect community feedback to the Town's department heads so services and infrastructure can be improved; since the survey was launched, there have been 297 responses so far; the survey has become a tool that has widely expanded across the nation to assist municipal managers engage with the public and creates an opportunity for staffs to apply improvements over time; a review of the questions; online responses are IP address restricted so multiple survey submissions will not occur; survey submissions are anonymous; and the reason why the Town Manager was not included in the survey as well as other non-front facing staff.

The Members, Town Manager Tangeman, and Assistant Town Manager Clark discussed the following highlighted topics: what will happen with the data; who will compile the information; there will not be a report but an executive summary may be provided to the public after department heads receive the results of the survey and have an opportunity to take action; the potential to immediately add additional questions on the survey about the Town Manager so the public can provide feedback on Town Manager office hours and coffees; the role of the consultant in this process and examining the data; public requests for the survey results before the deadline for survey submissions; the impact if the 297 previous respondents now want to respond to the additional questions regarding the Town Manager but electronic responses are IP address restricted so multiple submission will not occur; and the consideration of additional questions on the survey regarding the Town Manager is divisive and would be unfair to add or change the nature of the questions of the survey now that it has been launched.

Clerk Medoff reiterated that this discussion was never about the public evaluating the Town Manager and she is ready to move on now that the Members have concluded the discussion on this matter.

**TABLED ITEMS**

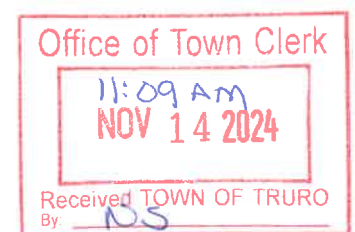
None

**SELECT BOARD ACTION**

**A. Discussion on Senior Perks Program**

Presenter: Darrin Tangeman, Town Manager

Town Manager Tangeman, Assistant Town Manager Clark, and the Members reviewed and discussed the three articles (Special Town Meeting – Article 8, Special Town Meeting – Article 15, and Annual



Town Meeting – Article 41) and determined next steps. Members agreed with Assistant Town Manager Clark's recommendation to execute what is contained in STM Article 8 and to conduct research and create a pilot program in accordance with the criteria established in ATM Article 41 proposed by Anne Greenbaum. There was unanimous agreement among the Members with Assistant Town Manager Clark's recommendation and Assistant Town Manager Clark noted that a formal Select Board vote was not required.

**B. Review and Possible Revision of Open Space Committee Charge**

Presenter: Susan Areson, Chair

Chair Areson provided background information on this topic and noted it had not been revised since 2010. Chair Areson added that she appreciated Mr. Marksbury's input from earlier this evening but she did not agree with all of his suggestions. Chair Areson then reviewed the draft charge that she had prepared with the Members who provided their comments and supported the inclusion of several of Mr. Marksbury's suggestions.

*Note: A copy of Mr. Marksbury's written suggestions were not included in this meeting's agenda.*

**Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to approve the revised charge with the specified editing for the Open Space Committee and to sign electronically.**

**Member Girard-Irwin seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**A. Review/Approve and Authorize Signature:**

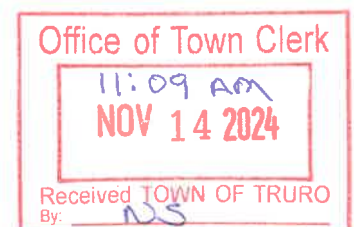
**1. One-Day Pouring License-Pamet Harbor Yacht Club**

**B. Review and Approve Appointment Renewals: Tom Bow-Truro Conservation Trust Representative to the Open Space Committee**

**C. Review and Approve 2024 Seasonal Business Licenses: None**

**D. Review and Approve Select Board Meeting Minutes: Select Board Minutes of 4.9.2024, 4.25.2024, Work Session and 4.24.2024, Regular Session**

In regard to the minutes of 4.9.2024, Chair Areson commented that she wanted to add on page 2, regarding the paddle craft, the following sentence: *"Vice Chair Areson stated that she would not approve the removal of the Hobie Cats from the beach area."* Chair Areson also wanted to change the incorrect the term "Ad Hoc Building Committee" and change it to the correct term "Ad Hoc DPW Building Committee." Finally, Chair Areson also wanted to add the specifics of State Senator Julian Cyr's proposal (Jack's Gas property and the directly adjacent property combined) regarding the proposed DPW Facility during Town Manager Tangeman's report. There were no objections to the recommended edits by Chair Areson.





In regard to the minutes of Work Session on 4.25.2024, Chair Areson recommended the addition of the sentence *"Vice Chair Areson said all Select Board members should receive information at approximately the same time."* There were no objections to the recommended edit by Chair Areson.

Assistant Town Manager Clark recommended that the minutes be pulled from the Consent Agenda as Member Rein was not present, the minutes can be corrected and voted upon at the next meeting. This was agreed upon by the Members.

**Chair Areson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as printed in the packet with the exclusion of the minutes so corrections can be made.**

**Vice Chair Weinstein seconded the motion.**

**Roll Call Vote:**

**Vice Chair Weinstein - Aye**

**Clerk Medoff – Aye**

**Member Girard-Irwin - Aye**

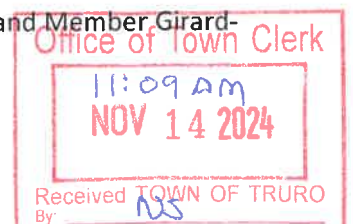
**Chair Areson – Aye**

**So voted, 4-0-0, motion carries.**

#### **SELECT BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS**

Vice Chair Weinstein reported that he had attended the recent Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) conference and he expressed that he was troubled by the public commentary. Vice Chair Weinstein noted that Richard Delaney, Executive Director at the Center for Coastal Studies, was heckled by members of the audience when he spoke. Mr. Delaney asked the appropriate question "What is the alternative to green energy?" Vice Chair Weinstein said that ocean-based wind turbines is an alternative and that the attendees of the conference heard a lot of anecdotal nonsense from the fishing community. Vice Chair Weinstein said that there was no worldwide evidence that these structures negatively impact whales despite those who operate charter fishing boats. Vice Chair Weinstein added that the nay sayers to these structures do not want to face the reality that we need to move away from fossil fuels. Vice Chair Weinstein noted that leases will move forward and the BOEM will note that voices were heard. As the liaison to the Library Trustees, Vice Chair Weinstein announced that Library Director Tricia Ford is retiring and he expressed hope that the Library Trustees were acknowledged by the Town to be the most qualified group to select a new library director. This is an especially important role to fill and the process has to honor the vote held at Town Meeting about including the Library Trustees.

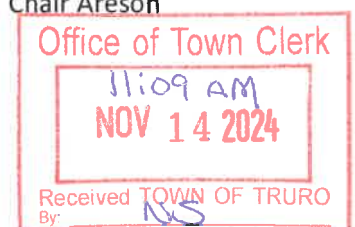
Member Girard-Irwin announced that she had attended the recent Council on Aging (CoA) meeting and there was a discussion about the Senior Needs Assessment. There was a board request that when there was a public discussion regarding the Senior Needs Assessment that a member of the CoA board have a seat at the table. Member Girard-Irwin asked that Town Manager Tangeman contact CoA Board Chair Dan Schreiner to coordinate. Member Girard-Irwin also met with Bike and Walkway Chair Susan Roderick who requested that the Massachusetts law had changed and that motorists must now pass pedestrians (and others) by 4' and no longer 3'. Member Girard-Irwin requested that this information be posted on either the Town website or Town newsletter or the Town electronic board. Member Girard-Irwin also announced that she would have office hours on Thursday, at the Community Center, from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm. Finally, the FY2025 Goals & Objectives have been approved and Member Girard-



Irwin read aloud and reiterated the Town of Truro's values which inform the community as to the Town of Truro's approach to government and municipal services. Understanding these values will be helpful to heal the divisiveness in the community.

Clerk Medoff suggested that the Members consider moving Select Board Reports/Comments prior to the Consent Agenda in future meetings as she felt that these are important items but since they are at the end they are often rushed. Clerk Medoff attended the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) information session in Eastham and publicly thanked Elena Rice for bringing the sense of urgency to her attention. Public comment for the environmental assessment is now closed and the environmental assessment should become public in late summer or early fall. Clerk Medoff attended the Provincetown Water & Sewer Board meeting, on July 11, 2024, and noted that these meetings are joint meetings with Truro and are open to the public. Clerk Medoff encouraged the public to attend. The Charter Review Committee will hold its next meeting on August 14, 2024, and there are still two open positions. Clerk Medoff and Chair Areson have been working and updating Policy 54 (Code of Conduct) and it is now ready for review. It will be combined with several other policy updates (Complaint Policy and Communications Policy) and those will be forthcoming. Clerk Medoff asked if there was a remote work policy for Town Hall and Town Manager Tangeman said that there was an internal HR remote work policy that is not a public document. Town Manager Tangeman added that there was a remote work policy that was part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. Clerk Medoff said that she will come back to that with Town Manager Tangeman. Clerk Medoff reported that she and Member Girard-Irwin recently met and discussed the Select Board's FY2025 Objective as to how to build a collaborative and supportive community culture and how to engage the public. There will be more information to follow. Clerk Medoff reported that she had held office hours and thanked everyone for attending. Clerk Medoff reiterated that her office hours are every Thursday from 9 am - 11 am at Town Hall and she will have office hours at the Community Center on August 8, 2024, from 12 pm -1:30 pm. Clerk Medoff as the fiscal year ends, she would like to have Town staff (Town Manager, Finance Director, Town Accountant, and/or Finance Committee member) meet with the Select Board to discuss specific aspects of the fiscal year closeout. The Zoning Task Force has three applicants and there are people who are interested. Clerk Medoff also said that the Members should review the charge for the Zoning Task Force and reduce the number of seats from 7 to 5. Chair Areson said that a change to the charge could be brought forward and expressed disappointment at the lack of applicants, especially since a grant for a consultant to assist the Zoning Task Force had to be used by the end of the year. Clerk Medoff will attend the public discussion tomorrow night at the Truro Library hosted by the Center for Coastal Studies.

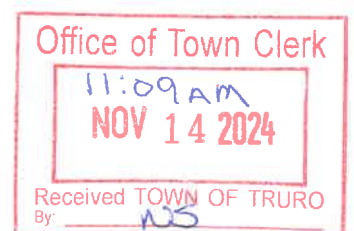
Chair Areson reported that the Cape Cod National Seashore Advisory Commission (CCNSAC) met on July 8, 2024, and the main topics discussed were water resources, dune shacks update by Cape Cod National Seashore Superintendent Jennifer Flynn, and off-shore wind turbine leases. Chair Areson said that with assistance from Town staff, she stressed the need for a new well site in Truro to the members of the CCNSAC. The Cape Cod National Seashore's water specialist, Sophia Fox, has offered to assist the Town in its efforts with MassDOT regarding stormwater and water runoff issues into Pilgrim Lake. Chair Areson reported that she had a productive meeting with Superintendent Flynn. The CCNSAC's next meeting will be on September 9, 2024, at 1 pm, at the Visitor's Center in Eastham, and the main topic is fire (fire roads and dealing with fires in the National Seashore). At Vice Chair Weinstein's previous request for Superintendent Flynn to appear and discuss with the Members this topic, Chair Areson



announced that Superintendent Flynn would appear at a Select Board meeting in late September or early October. The National Seashore has recently hired new staff and will examine fire equipment so Superintendent Flynn will have more current information to provide to the Members at that time. If residents have questions or concerns about specific fire roads, in Truro, please provide maps to the National Seashore as it would be extremely helpful to the National Seashore's staff. The Truro Fire Department may have the maps which include fire roads in Truro. Chair Areson also attended the BOEM session last week. The Truro Housing Authority (THA) met on July 11, 2024, and have elected officers. Betty Gallo is the new chair and Mara Glatzel is the vice chair. The THA discussed the Affordable Municipal Housing Trust (AMHT) and are hoping to bring in a representative from the Massachusetts Housing Partnership to provide a presentation to the THA and the Select Board. The THA would also like to have a public meeting to educate the public on the AMHT. The THA would also like to meet with the Select Board and Town staff to discuss smaller pieces of Town-owned land for smaller housing development as this is one strategy of the Housing Production Plan that the THA is reviewing. The Finance Committee met on July 12, 2024, and elected officers and transferred some money (unspecified by Chair Areson). Bob Panessiti will remain as chair and Raphael Richter will remain as vice chair. Chair Areson announced office hours at the Transfer Station at 11 am this Friday morning. Chair Areson and Town Manager Tangeman have met with the Part Time Resident Advisory Committee. The committee has met twice and scheduled a hybrid listening session for part time residents on August 19, 2024, from 4 pm to 5:30 pm at the Community Center. Paul Wisotzky has volunteered to facilitate that discussion. The Planning Board will hold an online forum regarding signs in Truro from 5:15 pm to 6 pm on August 7, 2024, and more information will be coming soon.

Chair Areson offered condolences to the families of Carol Harris and Steve Sollog who had recently passed away. At the suggestion of Chris Lucy, the DPW planted a tulip tree at the Council on Aging in the memory of Buddy and Marla Perkel. John Dundas then planted poppies near the tree in memory of Jane Peters. Chair Areson asked Town Manager Tangeman if meetings held by committees which meet in-person (Truro Housing Authority, Council on Aging, Recreation Committee, the Beach Committee, Pamet Harbor Commission, Shellfish Advisory Commission, etc.) could be recorded and made available to the public after the meetings. Assistant Town Manager Clark noted that prior to COVID-19, only the regulatory and several specialty boards' meetings were recorded. Town Manager Tangeman said that this could be discussed at another time and explore how this could be done.

Chair Areson recognized Vice Chair Weinstein who said that he had held office hours last Friday at the Transfer Station. Vice Chair Weinstein also attended the last Ad Hoc DPW Building Committee and he expressed concern that the committee was researching a building method (foam with a concrete skin) that had never been done in Massachusetts. Vice Chair Weinstein noted that this was unproductive and spent an inordinate amount of time on the topic. Vice Chair Weinstein also attended the last Planning Board meeting and there was a lengthy discussion about permanent signs and temporary signs in Truro. Vice Chair Weinstein thanked Chair Areson for creating a sense of urgency on the topic of fire and fire roads to Superintendent Flynn. Vice Chair Weinstein also noted that someone should volunteer to escort Superintendent Flynn on a walking tour of the National Seashore area in Truro so she becomes more familiar with Truro.



*Note: After Vice Chair Weinstein's additional comments, Chair Areson noted that Mr. Riemer had raised his hand to be recognized but due to the late hour Chair Areson asked Town Manager Tangeman to render his report.*

### **TOWN MANAGER REPORT**

Town Manager Tangeman reported that he had assisted the Part Time Resident Advisory Committee with its first two meetings. Town Manager Tangeman announced that he will attend the Senior Luncheon this Thursday as he does often each month. Town Manager Tangeman reported that recently, during one of his weekly Monday office hours, he and Assistant Town Manager Clark had the opportunity to engage with an individual regarding funding opportunities for the harbor. Regarding the announced retirement of Truro Library Director Tricia Ford, he and Assistant Town Manager Clark have discussed with the Chair of the Library Trustees as to how the recruitment process will work for Ms. Ford's replacement and how the Trustees will participate in the recruitment process resulting in a highly qualified hire. Town Manager Tangeman anticipated that the announcement for the post would occur around August 1, 2024, and be posted for 30 days with interviews commencing the first two weeks of September. Ms. Ford's official retirement date is October 8, 2024 and he hoped that the new library director would start employment on October 9, 2024. Town Manager Tangeman reiterated the Planning Board's public engagement online scheduled for August 7, 2024, from 5:15 pm to 6 pm regarding signage in Truro. This is an opportunity for the community to provide feedback to the Planning Board on the topic of permanent signs and temporary signs in Truro.

Town Manager Tangeman then reviewed the agenda for the next Select Board regular meeting on August 13, 2024.

Chair Areson said that due to the new Select Board the Members needed to review the Town Manager's critical communications plan due and discuss the process for the Town Manager's evaluation. Chair Areson said that this will not be a discussion on Town Manager Tangeman's performance and Town Manager Tangeman said that he agreed with the items which Chair Areson mentioned.

Chair Areson also requested a work session in August to review the updates on the policies on which she and Clerk Medoff have been working.

Town Manager Tangeman also noted that he and Assistant Town Manager Clark have been working on goals and objectives and would like to receive direction from the Members so they can develop a plan.

**Vice Chair Weinstein made a motion to adjourn at 8:54 pm.**

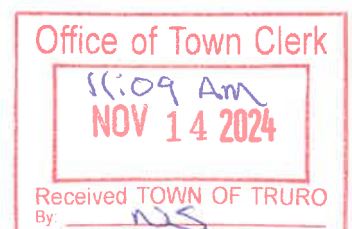
**Member Girard-Irwin seconded the motion.**

**By unanimous consent, the meeting was adjourned.**

Respectfully submitted,

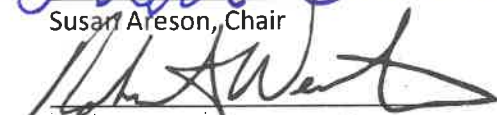


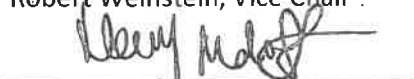
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Susan Areson, Chair

  
Robert Weinstein, Vice Chair

  
Nancy Medoff, Clerk

Stephanie Rein, Member

  
Susan Girard-Irwin, Member

**Public Records Material Attachments**

Legal Notice

Application to Serve-John Dundas

Application to Serve-Jonathan Sperber

Application to Serve-David Bannard

Application to Serve-Eileen Breslin

Application to Serve- Lisbeth Chapman

Application to Serve-Morgan Clark

Application to Serve-Breon Dunigan

Application to Serve-Anne (Alexa) Elam

Application to Serve-Jeffrey Fischer

Application to Serve-Mark Gebhardt

Application to Serve-Anne Greenbaum

Application to Serve-Cass Johnson

Application to Serve-Todd Schwebel

Application to Serve-Jonathon Winder

Longnook Press Release 7/13/24

Longnook Update 7/18/24

Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Press Release 7/12/24

Special Town Meeting – Article 8

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Current Open Space Committee Charge

Proposed, revised Open Space Committee Charge

Application for a One-Day Pouring License

Letter from Truro Conservation Trust Chair

