

Truro Housing Authority Minutes: June 13, 2024 at 5:00 pm -- In-Person Meeting at Truro Town Hall in the Historic Meeting Room.

Committee Members attending: Kevin Grunwald, Chair; Betty Gallo, Vice Chair; Mara Glatzel, Paul Wisotzky, and Melissa Wheeler, members.

I. Roll Call

II. Vote to Approve the Minutes of April 10 and May 2.

Paul moved to approve the minutes from April 10, 2024 as printed. Mara seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

Paul moved to approve the minutes from May 2, 2024 as printed. Mara seconded the motion. Minutes were approved unanimously by a roll call vote.

THA voted to take number 5 out of order.

V. Recap of the Special and Regular Town Meetings.

STM:

- Fabulously moderated by our very own Paul Wisotzky
- Walsh passed handily, with an overarching sense of support
- Walsh Follow up committee passed, deadline to join committee has come and gone

ATM:

- CPC funding passed
- Truro Motor Inn Passed
- Short term rental reforms passed
- Attainable housing on undersized lots passed
- Duplex bylaw passed
- Noons failed

While reviewing STM and ATM, THA members expressed interest in advocating for and supporting developers of Truro projects in potentially pursuing CPC funding in neighboring towns, particularly Cloverleaf.

Chair Kevin Grunwald arrived and we returned to the posted agenda progression.

III. Public Comment.

- Kevin Grunwald reported about the Cape Cod Commission's work to find grant funding for pre-approved building plans for small housing developments (ADU and smaller housing developments) and potential plot plans for small/undersized lots. These plans would meet general requirements and would need to be tweaked for each individual town.
- Jack Reimer asked if the public would be able to ask questions throughout the agenda and Kevin said yes, but that it would depend on the topic and time.

VI. Discussion Around a Possible Truro Municipal Housing Trust Fund, a Plan for Additional Research on Such Trusts, and Public Input Around Such a Trust Fund. (Fact Sheet on Municipal Trust Funds on the Lower and Outer Cape.)

- Municipal housing trust passed at town meeting two years ago, interest from the select board to solidify the new trust
- Betty developed a fact sheet on how other towns are managing their trusts (including trust make-up and power of the trust)
- THA to continue to do research, in particular speaking to people who are on the trust to see how it is working (thoughts, what they might do differently)
- Discussion about potentially hiring Michele Jarusiewicz as a consultant on the project
- THA to put together a document about our options and recommendations
- Presentation to the Select Board for comment
- Forum for public input and education (Fall)
- Ultimately return it to the Select Board with revisions for their deliberation

Next steps:

- Kevin to talk to town staff and Michelle and invite her to our next meeting.
- Betty to talk to CDP and potentially Mass Housing
- Mara to talk to Julian or Julian's chief of staff

VII. Vote to Adjourn. Betty made a motion to adjourn. Mara seconded the motion. Motion to adjourn passed with a unanimous vote.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:23 pm.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 11 at 5 pm at the Truro Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Mara Glatzel, Secretary