

Truro Finance Committee 1/31/2025

Meeting called to order at 8:30 am.

In attendance

Trudi Brazil

Robert Panessiti-committee chair

Jared Cabral

Raphael Richter

Alex Lessin

Michael Fee

Darrin Tangemann

Barbara Carbone

Sue Areson

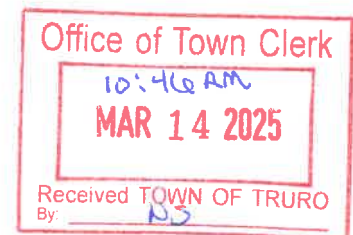
Kristen Roberts

There were no minutes to approve. Bob will look at what minutes are outstanding from past meetings and make sure they get submitted by the secretary (Kristen Roberts) before the next meeting of the Committee.

Jared Cabral, in advance of a reserve fund request that is forthcoming, presented information regarding the results of an environmental study at Truro Town Hall. PFAS were discovered by the DPW and subsequently at 3 houses near the site. Town counsel has advised Truro to supply drinking and cooking water to the affected homes (4 total as another was discovered by the Transfer Station). Ultimately the town will be responsible for new filtration systems for all the homes affected.

While costs for the remediation are unclear, a rough estimate of \$6000 per household and up to \$2,000,000 to mitigate the PFAS plume from spreading. Jared will present more information with a reserve fund request at the next meeting. No vote was taken at this time.

Request 1 was for sand to replenish the jetty, which has eroded more significantly than in years past. Bob inquired if there was anything that town members could do to help with this depletion. Jared said other than walking on it, no. Raphael asked where the sand had come from in the past, as this is the first time we have had to purchase it in a while. Jared explained that we had always had extra at the beaches to pull from but that is not the case anymore.



The request for \$54,000 was approved in a motion from Bob Panissetti and seconded by Kristen Roberts. The vote was 3-0 in favor (Michael Fee had left the call by this time.)

Request 2 was to continue the work that the hired consultant had done with the zoning task force in an effort to have plans for the Walsh property to bring to the next town meeting. Barbara Carbone presented the information about this request and said the consultant had been doing very good work with a lot of progress that she would like to see continue. Raphael inquired about how much had been spent for far, which Barbara said was roughly \$21,000, all of which had come from a grant she had applied for. Another grant to cover this request has been completed as well. Barbara has not heard back regarding these funds, thus the reserve transfer request. Bob read a letter from Nancy Medoff in support of the consultant and her work. The request for \$41,122 was approved in a motion by Raphael and seconded by Kristen. The vote was 3-0 in favor.

At the chair's request, Alex updated the board on the progress of the budget task force meetings. He projects we will see a budget surplus that, while smaller than years past, will still provide the town with what it needs for future unforeseen requests.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Raphael and seconded by Kristen. The vote was 3-0 in favor and the meeting was adjourned at 9:21 am.

Respectfull submitted

Kristen Roberts

Secretary-Truro Finance Committee

