

Truro Board of Health Minutes
January 16, 2018
4:30 PM-Truro Town Hall

Members Present: Chair Tracey Rose, Member Peter Van Stratum, Vice-Chair Jason Silva, Member Tim Rose (arrived late), and Member Mark Peters
Others Present: Health Agent Emily Beebe

Chair Tracey Rose called the meeting to order at 4:30PM. There was no one in the audience.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one was in the audience.

LICENSING RENEWALS

1. Sunrise Cottages Condominiums, 497 Shore Rd
2. Seahaven Condominium Trust, 510 Shore Rd

Mr. Peters moved to approve Items 1-2.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 4-0-0, motion carries.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Discussion of Transfer Station Fees

Ms. Beebe informed that Board that a couple of local landscaping businesses has approached her and Jarrod Cabral, DPW Director, regarding the new fees for yard waste for was instituted on January 11, 2018. The business owners felt it was too much of a jump to go from no fee at all, to a \$50 tipping fee. They would like to come before the Board at the February 6, 2018 meeting to discuss the issue. Jarrod Cabral, DPW Director, approached the Board, as requested by Ms. Rose. She wanted to know the Town's expenses for removing yard waste. He responded that it was about \$14,000 per year, which including tipping fees, man power, and fuel. Mr. Cabral noted that the Town was not properly permitted through DEP for any other processes they do at the Transfer Station, other than the acceptance of solid waste. The Board and Mr. Cabral discussed the current status of the post-closure certificate, with Mr. Cabral mentioning that there were a few violations cited. The permit for the scale has been approved.

Mr. Peters moved to continue the discussion to the February 6, 2018 meeting.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 4-0-0, motion carries.

In between the motion and the second, Mr. Van Stratum started to discuss the issue of the transfer station not accepting toilets because they are classified as construction and demolition material. He felt that the removal and replacement of an existing toilet did not classify as "demo" and should be accepted at the transfer station. Mr. Cabral said they could look in to it after the issuance of the post-

closure certificate. Mr. Van Stratum asked where the toilets could be brought to. Mr. Cabral said the closest place that he was aware of, was DANIELS in Orleans.

2. Discussion on I/A system regulation

The Board discussed the process and investigative work for the creation of variance process specific to the Accessory Dwelling Unit.

Mr. Peters moved to continue the discussion to the February 6, 2018 meeting.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 4-0-0, motion carries.

(Mr. Rose arrived)

3. Discussion on Amendment to Tobacco Regulations

The amendments included the addition of wording for the nicotine delivery process, to address vaping in particular, and to change the legal age to purchase nicotine products to 21 years old. Mr. Peters questioned the wording on tobacco vending machines. He felt it was ok to have it defined, but to make sure that the wording was in place and that it was clear that they were banned in the Town of Truro. Mr. Van Stratum brought up banning tobacco sales all together. Mr. Peters felt that if the Board eliminated the sale of tobacco in the Town of Truro, that he would like it to be advertised so the public could have input.

Mr. Rose moved to approve the proposed amendments, including the addition to the tobacco vending machine definition.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 4-0-1, motion carries with Mr. Van Stratum voting against.

The Board discussed the process of changing regulations and how they wanted to proceed with the approved amendments and the future discussion of banning tobacco sales. Ms. Beebe said she would contact Town Counsel as far as proper procedure and their legal opinion on a tobacco sales ban.

Mr. Peter moved to continue the discussion to February 6, 2018 or February 20, 2018, depending on a timeline for counsel's legal opinion.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 5-0-0, motion carries.

4. Discussion on process for review of Regulations

Ms. Beebe discussed the idea of shared services with the Town of Provincetown and the Town of Wellfleet, which would include comparing local regulations and seeing what works and what doesn't within each Town. They discussed the best way to tackle the review of the regulations. Ms. Beebe informed the Board that she has been meeting with the surrounding Town's Health/Conservation Agents and hopes to continue to do so, so that group can look at ways to create commonalities between the Towns as far as regulation, process, and programming. Ms. Rose stated that Ms. Beebe could place any ideas on future agendas, either as an agenda item or under the Health Agent's report.

5. Board reorganization

Mr. Peters nominated Tracey Rose for Chair, Jason Silva for Vice-Chair, and Peter Van Stratum for Clerk. Mr. Rose seconded.

Ms. Rose, who currently serves as the Chair, accepted the nomination. Mr. Silva, current Vice-Chair, accepted his nomination as well. Mr. Van Stratum accepted the nomination as Clerk.

Mr. Rose moved to approve the nominations.

Mr. Van Stratum seconded.

Vote: 5-0-0, motion carries.

REPORTS

DPW Director

- As of December 11, 2017 any visiting contractors must sign in for access (this specifically targets contractors coming in to do work on the cell tower).
- All Cape Foundation has been awarded the contract to install the new H-20 platform. They hope to begin the last week in February.
- The installation of the commercial hauler scale has been delayed to the end of February.
- China is no longer accepting recyclable materials from the US, which creates a volatile market as far as tipping fees. Because of this, the focus should be educating citizens on proper recycling (what can and cannot be recycled). The Board discussed the issue as far as the politics of the situation.
- Discussion of transfer station fees as far as yard waste, which was also discussed within Agenda Item #1.
- Ms. Rose asked how the unregistered vehicles coming in to the Transfer Station are handled. Mr. Cabral said that the staff intervenes and that warnings have been sent.

Health Agent

- Longnook Beach public access has been temporarily closed due to storm damage. Jersey barriers and signs will be used to try and keep the public off.
- Barn book has now been completed.

BOH Chair

- The Board needs to work on filling the Alternate position.

REVIEW/APPROVE MINUTES

December 20, 2017

Mr. Rose moved to approve the minutes as submitted.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 4-0-1 motion carries with Mr. Peters abstaining.

Mr. Rose motioned to adjourn.

Mr. Silva seconded.

Vote: 5-0-0, motion carries.

Respectfully submitted,

Arozana Davis

Tracey Rose, Chair

Jason Silva, Vice-Chair

Mark Peters, Member

Peter Van Stratum, Clerk

Tim Rose, Member