

Town of Truro

Town Manager's Weekly Report

October 12, 2018

Announcements:

- *Special Town Meeting will be held on November 13th at 6 PM at Truro Central School. Please plan on attending to consider several zoning bylaws and other business.*
- *The State has closed all shell fishing due to the heavy rain. Check the Town website for reopening.*

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

- *Staff has completed work on setting the tax rate and preparing tax bills for mailing.*
- *Preparation of the Special Town Meeting warrant is underway; there will be two Planning Board Zoning Bylaws and two petitioned Zoning Bylaws as well as several articles moving funds from the Capital Trust fund.*

Upcoming Meetings:

- Tuesday, October 16, 2018-Board of Selectmen @ Public Safety Facility at 2:00pm
- Tuesday, October 16, 2018-Truro Cemetery Commission @ Truro Town Hall at 10:00am
- Tuesday, October 16, 2018-Truro Board of Health @ Truro Town Hall at 4:30pm
- Wednesday October 17, 2018-Bike and Walkways Committee @ Truro Community Center at 4:00pm

Department News:

Police Department

- The Justice System Training and Research Institute at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I., in partnership with the New England Associations of Chiefs of Police acknowledged Officer James Bragdon for his successful completion of the "Command Training Series: First Line Supervisor Course", a two-week comprehensive training program for police supervisory personnel. Graduates of the session represented police departments from throughout New England. Great job Officer Bragdon!

Department of Public Works

- The Swap Shop is scheduled to be closed for removal and replacement beginning October 30, 2018. Replacement will include remediation work required by DEP.
- Seasonal beach break down has been completed this week, along with season cleaning of all catch basins. Next week the department will begin roadside brush cutting and asphalt berm repair nearest to water ways. Brush cutting will last up until the second week of November.
- As part of winter preparation, all ocean facing snow fencing will be removed for the fall and winter season.
- The East Harbor seaward section repair has been posted for bid. There will be a mandatory jobsite walkthrough for bidders October 26, 2018. The bid opening will take place November 15, 2018 at 2:30pm.

Harbor Master

- The Harbor Master attended training classes in Chatham focusing on fast rescue craft operations.
- The Harbor Master deployed some of the remote set of oysters into the Pamet Harbor.
- Many boaters are hauling out their lobster traps for the season.
- With heavy rain predicted for the early part of the weekend the State has decided to close all shellfish areas effective sunset October 11, 2018.

Recreation/Beach

- Recreation-Ongoing Activities
 - Community Pickleball – Saturdays 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Truro Community Center.
 - Adult Indoor Soccer – Thursdays 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm at the Truro Central School
 - Zumba Fitness – Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays 9:00 am – 10:00 am at the Truro Community

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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
- Beach
 - All Oceanside beaches are currently open to swimming.
 - 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.*

Library

- The Truro Children's Playgroup, the Next Chapter Book Club, and Truro Central School visits have all reconvened after summer hiatuses.
- The Truro Library Lego club is hard at work constructing the new Hogwarts' Lego kit. The kids are excited about seeing the structure come into being. It is a large project and will be displayed in the library when it is finished.
- The Truro Board of Library Trustees will have their monthly meeting on Fri., Oct. 19, at 9:30 a.m.
- Tricia Ford and Galen Malicoat have been chosen to participate in a national study on measuring broadband in libraries. They will travel to Chicago for two days in order to attend the orientation.
- The Children's Halloween Party will take place on Sat., Oct. 27, 10:00 a.m. to noon. There will be an animal program, followed by a spooky party of frights, games, crafts, and treats.

Council on Aging

- October 16th is World Food Day
World Food Day is a time to reflect on those individuals in the world that often go hungry. At the COA lunch on October 16th, donations for our local Food Pantry will be collected. This valuable resource has made a difference to so many people in our community. This Food Pantry, operated by volunteers, is housed at the Truro Community Center. Any donation, no matter how small will be greatly appreciated. Chef Heather will be cooking a special plant-based, sustainable lunch that day.
- SEASONAL FLU CLINIC ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 15 between 1:00-3:30 pm Truro Community Center. The clinic is open to all town residents, employees, and uninsured and/or underinsured. *Please bring a photo I.D. and Insurance cards. For further information, about the flu clinic contact the Truro Health Department at 508-349-7004, x119 or email: ebeebe@truro-ma.gov