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## RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES 3 AUGUST 2009

**Commission Members Present:** Clyde Takala – Chairman, Joe O'Brien – Vice Chairman, Rene King, Andy Gauthier, and Kevin Turner

## Commission Members Absent: Dan Proto, Kathy Pina

The meeting was called to order at 5:40 p.m., roll call was taken. Kevin Turner made a motion to accept the minutes from June 1<sup>st</sup> meeting, seconded by Andy Gauthier, the Commission voted and it was passed unanimously.

**Public Comment: Dave Chase** thanked the Recreation Commission for their recommendation to the Town Manager in naming Rink 2 the Patrick M. Butler Skating Rink. Also, he informed the Commission that he has begun fundraising and is currently at 42.5% total funds raised. **Kevin Turner** asked if a design has been drafted for Patrick M. Butler Skating Rink. **David Curley** said yes and that something has been drafted and that the name will be on the building, as well as in center ice. He said that Cape Cod Times is looking to get involved in Rink 2 as well. **Clyde Takala** said to Dave Chase, on behalf of the Recreation Commission, thank you for all you have done for the Hyannis Youth and Community Center.

**Employee of the Year Awards for 2008** The Recreation Commission acknowledged the following employees: Nicole Ferrara, Lifeguard of the Year 2008, Meaghan Delaney, Gate Attendant of the Year 2008, and Caroline Murray, Beach Attendant of the Year 2008. David Curley, Patti Machado, and John Gleason presented the awards. Along with a plaque, recipients also get passes to Hi-Line for a trip over to Nantucket or Martha's Vineyard.

**New Business: Clyde Takala** informed the Commission that Wednesday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, in the Selectman's Conference Room, there is a meeting on the Grand Opening of HYCC and 1 more member from the Recreation Commission is needed. Clyde is able to make the meeting and will be on the HYCC Grand Opening Committee. **Andy Gauthier** asked David about the Smoking Ban and wanted to know if receptacles were purchased and if a designated area for smoking was assigned. **David** said that it was the intention of the Recreation Division to set up smoking areas with receptacles, but they did not receive money to do so. He went on to say that the smoking ban has been working well without designated areas. Jack McGonigle, Head Lifeguard and Lifeguard Instructor at Craigville said that patrons have been very respectable of the smoking ban. Jen Hudock, Beach Supervisor at Dowses Beach, said that so far the smoking ban has not been any trouble at all and patrons thank her for a smoke free beach. **Andy Gauthier** said that Craigville

Beach Association had a difficult time trying to determining where to put the smoking area so they decided to ban smoking on the entire property. **Andy** suggested that receptacles be placed on the Town Beaches and be able to be taken in and out everyday. **Clyde** asked if a "no smoking" sign could be placed at Ropes Beach. **Clyde** also asked if the Conservation Commission met with Rob Anderson. **David** said that Conservation Commission refuses to give Rob Anderson a meeting. **Clyde** asked for an update on the property by the Hyannis Golf Course. **David** said that VHB is almost done with their study and they will know more when it is done. **Andy** asked about the property by the two schools near Horace Mann in Marstons Mills. **David** said that Little League is moving forward with the land. He also said that Little League has put \$60,000 into Centerville fields.

**Old Business:** Clyde said that last September, the Town Council was putting together a comprehensive handbook for Commissions and Committees and he wanted to know if it was ever printed. David said that he would find out and get back to Clyde. Clyde also asked David if the rumor was true that the Town of Barnstable is trying to sell the Hyannis Golf Course. David said that it was just a rumor and the Hyannis Golf Course made enough money to cover costs. He went on to say that Olde Barnstable Fairgrounds Golf Course is done paying off the land and the construction note. Rene asked David about the Airport and if he knew if the terminal was still scheduled to be constructed. David said he did not know that information. Rene asked if the Marketing Manager, Amy Harwood, would be involved in merchandizing. **David** said that Amy would be working with the youth and Barnstable High School for the possibly of a business course in merchandizing. Rene said similar to UMASS. Andy asked about bids and the pro shop. David said that the only bid they got did not sign off on it. Also, David said that the snack bar is held by Ardeo's. Joe O'Brien said that he was nervous about BYHA's commitment for ice this upcoming year. David said that BYHA has signed a contract and the amount of ice is what they requested for their program. He did say that are raising money for the program and they are good at working with us. Clyde asked how the Barnstable High School is going to pay for their ice. David said that the Superintendent and the Athletic Director know they have to pay, it shouldn't be an issue.

**Public Comment: Clyde** read into the minutes two letters. Cape Cod Conservation District thanked David Curley for his support with River Day. And C-O-MM Fire recognized Kelly Ostrander for a job well done after she pulled a victim from the water on June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Craigville Beach.

**Director's Report:** See Attached. Rene King suggested a new survey be drafted for the 2010 parking permit mail-in program with new questions geared to the Smoking ban. Also, she said that the Recreation Division should consider extending the beach season through the 4 weeks of September. David said that the Town Manager is the one to approve that time frame for next year.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at the **NEW HYANNIS YOUTH AND COMMUNITY CENTER** at 5:30pm in the conference room near the administrative suite. **Kevin Turner** made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by **Rene King**; the motion was passed at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Samantha Garfield, Principal Division Assistant, Recreation Division