



TOWN OF BARNSTABLE
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RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

4 March 2013

Commission Members Present: Joe O'Brien, Chairperson, Richard Sawyer, Steve Mele, Rene King, Kathy Pina and Kevin Turner

Commission Members Absent: Clyde Takala, Co-Chairperson

The meeting was called to order at 5:30PM, roll call was taken. **Joe O'Brien** stated that **Anthony Beverly** tragically passed away this past week. **Patti Machado** stated **Anthony** was an active member of the Youth Commission, his strength and soul is living through a lot of young people being there for each other. He will be sorely missed. **Joe O'Brien** requested a moment of silence in **Anthony Beverly's** memory. Silence observed.

Staff Report, Joe Izzo -handouts given (see attached) **Joe Izzo** stated very busy at the HYCC. Three youth hockey tournaments are coming up. Women's Hockey East is this weekend and tickets are on sale now. The game will be shown time delayed on NESN. **Kathy Pina** suggested sharing the information on Facebook. **Joe Izzo** stated this event is a feather in our cap. Lobster Pot and Barnstable High School Hoops Tournament are the same weekend March 15-17, the building will be crazy. **Rene King** asked enough staff to keep the building up? **Joe Izzo** stated yes. Saturday after Easter is HYCC Skating School's Spring Show; April 11-13 is the US Coast Guard Commandant's Cup. April – June slow months. **Joe Izzo** stated other rinks close during slow period, HYCC does not and we melt Butler to try to capture additional revenue. **Joe O'Brien** suggested tapping into NHL players that summer on the Cape to offer a program at the HYCC. **Kathy Pina** asked about Butler dry surface activities. **Joe Izzo** stated roller derby, wiffleball, flag football and always looking for additional activities. **Rene King** stated keep on the horizon proper floor for roller skating, look at five year plan, knows the floor is expensive. **Richard Sawyer** asked about garden shows. **Joe Izzo** stated focusing on the Live Nature Expo for this year, working on a timeline and that it is on our radar. Discussion followed. **Richard Sawyer** asked what the break even point for revenue is. **Joe Izzo** replied 72-75%. **Richard** replied we still have some work to do. **Joe Izzo** responded yes. **Richard Sawyer** stated utilization listed was just rinks. **Joe Izzo** replied yes, gym doesn't generate the income the rinks do. **Rene** stated look to do better than break even, have you looked at survey websites like Monkey.com, capture the candid remarks? **Joe Izzo** stated no, maybe look into for next year. Discussion followed. **Joe O'Brien** asked where Lobster Pot flags can be purchased. **Joe Izzo** stated at the HYCC and online. Discussion followed. **Patti Machado** stated one of her dreams is to have a mascot, a seal (the animal). But they are very expensive. Some towns do have mascots that show up at all town functions. Discussion followed. **Joe O'Brien** stated that in early February a comment was directed to him regarding the lack of cleanliness in the locker rooms, when checking them out all he found wrong was the shower curtains the rest looked very nice. Also, was at the HYCC for my nephew's birthday, the staff turned a

negative into a positive. The people who planned the party made the time error not the HYCC, but the staff thought on their feet and made everyone happy.

Staff Report, Patti Machado – handouts given (see attached).

- A. Administration
 - a. Training - Emergency Action Plans for all programs, including intruder plans
 - b. Training – Open Meeting Procedures and Laws
- B. Recreation Programs
 - i. Spring Program Brochure (attached)
Registration began February 14th
 - b. Summer Leisure Program Registration
 - i. Information included in Spring Brochure
 - 1. Registration begins March 23rd
 - c. Winter Programs will be finishing up the next two weeks
- C. Aquatics
 - a. Applications and Information is on Website
 - i. Recreation Summer Employment and Sign-ups for Tryouts began March 1st.
- D. Ball Fields
 - a. Osterville Bay Facility CPC Design
 - i. First reading Town Council -February 7, 2013
 - ii. Second reading Town Council - February 28, 2013 Approval
 - b. Marstons Mills Baseball Fields (Sub Committee will explain more)
- E. Mass Recreation and Parks Association Conference
 - a. March 11, 12, 13th @ Hyannis Resort and Conference Center-Hosting, Debra Dagwan doing the welcoming speech.
- F. Ragnar Relay Cape Cod, suggested moving location to Melody Tent, have not heard back from them.
 - a. See Attached
- G. Osterville Community Building
 - a. See Attached
- H. Youth Summit – CCCC – March 15th – Barnstable Recreation Workshop, everyone is welcome.

Best Buddies was given a bill for this year' race, will be at April's meeting.

Barnstable Youth Soccer Association, Tod Drew, President- handout given (see attached) went over Board of Directors, have twelve presently on the board in the past we had 20-25. Believe our programs are the most comprehensive on and off the Cape. Our programs are: Fall Travel; Fall Instructional: Harvest Cup; Spring Travel; and Spring Instructional. We are holding our own regarding the number of players. Many more choices for sports as the youth get older. **Joe O'Brien** asked if McBarron is up to snuff, previous issues addressed. **Tod** stated new fence is in place, there is a tree down. **Joe** asked about irrigation. **Patti Machado** stated she believes **Bruce McIntyre**, Golf Department, has repaired it and it was very expensive. We shared in the expensive and BYS goes above and beyond to help maintain that facility. They take care of everything. **Richard Sawyer** asked what is your wish list. **Tod Drew** stated more field space. **Tod** informed the Recreation Commission they will be moving the shed at McBarron to the fields at Cape Cod Community College. **Joe O'Brien** stated that Barnstable Soccer is doing a great job and thank you.

Richard Sawyer motioned that the January 7th, 2013 minutes be accepted, second by **Steve Mele**, all in favor with **Rene King** and **Kevin Turner** abstaining.

Rene King requested that **Jaime Linnell's** presentation Celebration of our Smoke Free Beaches and **Bob Lister's** Building to Teach Bevins Skiff Program be tabled till next months meeting. **Rene** stated she would have Jamie and Bob email the Commission a brief outline of their ideas, so that the Commission would be better prepared to vote.

CPC Report, Richard Sawyer – stated CPC forwarded their report on Osterville Bay thing to Town Council, they approved it. Also during Town Council, **Tom Lynch** stated CIP nearly complete and thinks when he visits Recreation in April, they will be very pleased and we may be able to fund everything. Discussion followed. **Kathy Pina** thanked **Richard** for a fine job on his CPC work.

Marstons Mills Fields Subcommittee Report, Joe O'Brien - **Joe** stated we were presented with a schematic (see attached) by Costal Engineering showing how the fields could fit. The schematic which cost \$1,500 was paid for by Barnstable Little League. At the Marstons Mills Village Association meeting we did a presentation showing the Little League schematic. We believe it went favorably. Questions regarding lighting, PA system, traffic flow etc, were brought up. Would like to see a walking track. We let them know this is just the initial stage and as we go forward would have a public hearing. **Kevin Turner** stated all comments were mostly positive. **Joe O'Brien** read a thank you note into the minutes from Joyce Abbey, (see attached). Would have liked to have been informed that the Town Manager was sending someone to get additional ideas from Marstons Mills Village Association, regarding the school, felt a little blindsided. **Joe** stated that at his March 15th meeting with **Tom Lynch** find out where the town stands on the usage of the school property. Discussion followed. **Rene King** thanked the subcommittee for their work.

New Business – **Richard Sawyer** asked if there is a limit on absents from committee meetings. **Kevin Turner** stated no, we have looked at this before and voted, but we can certainly investigate it again. **Kevin** stated you can not have three unexcused absents from meetings. **Joe O'Brien** stated he would be having a face to face meeting with Clyde when he returns to discuss issues about the emailing, he wants hard copies, and we can no longer do that. It is a monetary issue. **Patti Machado** stated trying to be consistent with how the whole town operates. **Richard Sawyer** asked do we know when everyone's term ends. Informed he can find this information on the town website.

Old Business – **Richard Sawyer** asked if there is any information on the dog park. **Patti Machado** stated that the dog park people are waiting to hear back from the Town Manager.

Joe O'Brien stated next meeting is April 8th, 2013 with Tom Lynch, Best Buddies, Jamie Linnell and Bob Lister on the agenda.

Kevin Turner made motion to adjourn **Richard Sawyer** second, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:20PM.

Board, Committee, or Commission Name		RECREATION COMMISSION				
Date Rec'd	Materials Dated	Meeting Date	From	To	Subject	Exhibit #
3/4/13		3/4/13	JOE IZZO	RECREATION COMMISSION	HYCC CALENDARS	1
3/4/13		3/4/13	PATTI MACHADO	“ “	STAFF REPORT	2
3/4/13		3/4/13	BARNSTABLE SOCCER	“ “	BOD ,Programs, Expenses	3
3/4/13	2/5/13	3/4/13	Coastal Engineering	Barnstable Little League	Illustrative Plan for Fields at Marstons Mills School	4
3/4/13		3/4/13	Joyce Abbey	MMF Subcommittee	Thank you note	5

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<http://www.town.barnstable.ma.us>

Respectfully submitted by **Michele Arigo**, Recreation Division.