



**TOWN OF BARNSTABLE
BARNSTABLE RECREATION DIVISION**

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RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

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Scrivener's note: The following minutes are general in nature. For those wanting specific detail on matters heard on this agenda, additional resources are available to you: video-on-demand (free on the Town website at town.barnstable.ma.us, on the Recreation Commission's web page).

A. Preliminaries

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.
2. All commissioners present introduced themselves.
 - I. **Commission Members Present: Joseph O'Brien, Chair, James Tenaglia, Vice-Chair, Brendan Burke, Rene King, Renee Dowling, Rene King**
 - II. **Absent: None**
 - III. **Also Present: Patti Machado - Director of Recreation Division, Brenden Dowling, Youth Commission Liaison**
 - IV. Chairman Joseph O'Brien welcomed Brenden Dowling to his first meeting as one of the Youth Commission Liaisons.
3. Act on Minutes from meeting of December 2nd, 2019
 - I. Motion was made by James Tenaglia to accept the minutes from the December 2nd, 2019 meeting as submitted, seconded by Brendan Burke. **VOTE – All In Favor.**
 - a. **Nikolas Atsalis** was told he had to wait for a 2nd vote before attending his first meeting. He will attend the February meeting.

B. BHS Football Coach – Ross Jatkola

1. Congratulations given by Joseph O'Brien, Chairman, on being nominated as the Patriots coach of the week.
2. The most important part of developing the program at the varsity level is starting at the youth level. He meets with the coaches from that level regularly, passing along schemes, drills, techniques, and skills and they've seen an improvement in their development over the past 2 years.
3. Anything they can do to get kids to take care of their bodies they are open to. The youth have worked with the high schoolers in the weight room to help develop their strength and conditioning.
4. Anything they can do in the community to help the young people, to get more young people involved, and to get the message out to them would be great.
5. The parade and pep rally was a great event that the kids will remember forever.
6. He is willing to help get more girls involved in basketball and he's open to any ideas anyone has. There has been a huge hit in the number of girls participating. Ross will work with the HYCC setting up clinics in an effort to pull more in. The specialization in one sport keeps the children from playing multiple sports and which impacts the numbers as well.
7. Football is making an effort to be safer and he takes this very seriously. They work on getting the head out of the tackle and doing it the safe and proper way. Also with the strength training and body

conditioning the kids are better able to take a hit. They have had hardly any head injuries and the ones they've had are mild due to the training they implement daily.

C. Ashley Bishop not able to attend

D. BHS Girls Volleyball Coach – Tom Turco – miscommunication so he was not at the meeting.

E. Vote on Community Award for Cathy Demanche

1. She is a member of the Barnstable Quarterback Club. She put in an amazing amount of work and did everything needed beginning in May/June of 2019 to make the parade/pep rally happen. She ran the show.
2. It brought back community. It brought everyone together. She galvanized the community and brought them on board which is what a community award is about. This demonstrated what the Recreation Commission is looking for and what the youth need.
3. Rene Dowling Proposed made a motion to have Cathy Demanche receive a community award. 2nd by Rene King. **VOTE – all in favor.**

F. Staff Report – Patti Machado (Handout A)

1. Administration
 - a. Winter Registration is ongoing and programs still have openings
 - b. Tennis/Pickleball Public Court Rules and Regulations were read, and discussed. **(Handout B)**
 - i. Motion made by James Tenaglia to approve the Rules and Regulations as presented. 2nd by Rene Dowling. **VOTE – all approved.** The town manager has the final say.
 - c. Fee Hearing Increases. Reviewed and discussed proposed increases. **(Handout C)**
 - i. Motion made to approve fee increases as proposed by James Tenaglia. 2nd by Rene Dowling. **VOTE – all in favor.**
 - d. Toys for Tots – served 478 children
 - e. All Mobile Concessions except for Kalmus Park Beach and soon the HYCC concession are up for renewal so these are currently being worked on.
2. Aquatics
 - a. Lifeguard tryouts are coming up
3. HYCC
 - a. E.J. Jaxtimer donated 50 Christmas trees for the National Guard and for those who are on Program Scholarships.
 - b. Coat, mitten, scarf and hat drive – Donations will be delivered to the Independence House.
 - c. Free membership for students who are Barnstable residents under 18 took effect January 1st.
 - d. All Hockey & Basketball programs are in full swing
4. Recreation Programs
 - a. All winter programs are in full swing
 - b. Cancellation of Grade 6/7 basketball program
 - i. Due to a lack of registration
 - ii. The children who did not make the team at the school could have participated in the Recreation basketball program. It is important to speak with them immediately when they learn they haven't made the team in order to give them another activity to participate in. This did not happen and 100 children lost out because of this.
 - iii. Rene Dowling has a meeting with the Barnstable Athletic Advisory Council and will bring this to their attention.
 - c. John Gleason has set up the score board so that it can be used for any group with a cell phone for 2020 users
5. Youth Commission – Brenden Dowling

- a. 7th Grade Youth Summit – March 13th 2020
 - i. Super Bowl Champion Cliff Crosby – Caron Treatment Centers Inc.
 - ii. Rob Hackenson Jr – Dynamic Influence
 - iii. Kevin Rosario – Gosnold of Cape Cod
 - iv. BHS Peer Leadership
 - v. Various Non-profits
 - vi. BHS – Sports/Clubs
- b. Youth Job Fair – March 4th
- c. Meet with all Cape Cod Superintendents and Head Masters January 14th
- d. Barnstable Vaping Council happened– Jenna Schmidt was the only youth that attended
- e. One Love Program - TBA

G. Liaison's Reports

1. CPC - James Tenaglia

- a. Annual meeting coming up on Jan 27th and they would like to see the Recreation Commission Meeting Project List so he will provide what was voted on at the meeting.
- b. Patti Machado asked James to inquire about CPC funding a change to the skate park.
- c. James will continue the conversation about a 2nd Recreation building in Osterville. He will ask about having the Osterville Town Councilor to come see what is happening at the HYCC and why it is so important for this to happen.
 - i. Joe O'Brien will follow up on the possibility of having another recreation complex at the old Marstons Mills Elementary School.

2. Barnstable Athletics at the High School - Renée Dowling

- a. The Barnstable Athletic Advisory Board's (BAAB) primary focus is the results from the Northeastern study which concluded the need to look at the whole child with regards to athletics and to focus on learning how to create a balance. The BAAB will look at how the athletic department can support the children with this, especially in academics.
- b. Participation overall in sports is lower than in the past. Transportation is an issue which they are looking into.
- c. A tri lingual soccer coach has been hired. Soccer numbers are up. Having the tri lingual coach helps to bridge gaps some students were facing.
- d. A two hour limit to practice has been put into use due to academic needs. In addition they are looking into having monitors used during study for supervised study to get their athletic needs met.
- e. They are working on an athletic mission statement.
- f. Rene will bring up the issue of the intermediate school basketball at the next meeting.
- g. Discussion on the possibility of future high school intramural sports, space availability at the high school for these programs, and how the Recreation Division can be utilized to serve the children who are not participating in competitive sports. Rene will bring this up at the next meeting.

3. Barnstable Little League – Joseph O'Brien

- a. Will be starting up indoor workouts soon.
- b. Joe will inquire about having a Liaison to Barnstable Little League.

H. Matters Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair - None

I. NEW BUSINESS – Next Month's Agenda Items

- a. Welcome to Nikolas Atsalis
- b. Presentation of Community Award to Cathy Demanche
- c. BHS Field Hockey Coach Ashley Bishop and HYCC Field Hockey Program Coordinator Melanie Mimmo
- d. Girls Volleyball Coach Tom Turco

J. Public Comment – None

K. Next Meeting – February 3, 2020

Rene King made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Brendan Burke. Meeting adjourned at 7:06 PM.

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Respectfully submitted by **Sandra Merritt**, Recreation Division

RECREATION COMMISSION						
Date Rec'd	Material Dated	Meet Date	From	To	Subject	Exhibit
1/6/2020	1/6/2020	1/6/2020	Patti Machado	RC	Staff Report	A
1/6/2020	1/6/2020	1/6/2020	Patti Machado	RC	Tennis/Pickleball Public Court Rules & Regulations	B
1/6/2020	1/6/2020	1/6/2020	Patti Machado	RC	Fee Increases	C