



Town of Barnstable
BARNSTABLE RECREATION



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RECREATION COMMISSION

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I PRELIMINARIES

1. **Call To Order** by Joseph O'Brien (Chairman) at 5:30 PM.
 - a. **Notice of Recording:** Please note that this meeting is being recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and in accordance with MCL Chapter 30A20. The chair must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known.
 - b. Patti Machado noted that Sandra Merritt is taking minutes.
2. **Roll Call**
 - a. **Commissioners Present:**
Joseph O'Brien (Chairman)
James Tenaglia (Vice-Chairman)
Rene King
Renee Dowling
Brendan Burke
Nikolas Atsalis
Tim Lus
 - b. **Also Present:** Patti Machado (Director of Recreation), Madeline Noonan (Community Services Director), Lily Beal (Youth Commission Liaison)
3. **Act On Minutes** – Joseph O'Brien entertains a motion be made on the minutes from the July 6, 2020 meeting.
 - a. Rene King moved that the minutes be accepted. James Tenaglia seconded.
 - b. **VOTE – All In Favor.**
4. **MOMENT OF SILENCE** requested by Joseph O'Brien.
 - a. Richard Sawyer, former Recreation Commission Member and Representative to the CPC passed away.
 - b. Bill Dooley, who was active in Barnstable Little League, Barnstable Youth Hockey and a number of other recreation endeavors in the town passed away.

II OLD BUSINESS - None

III STAFF REPORT – PATTI MACHADO (Handout A)

1. **Administration**
 - a. Staff has been working hard to pull together the operational plans for future programming.

- b. Field and tennis court permits were more challenging this year.
 - 1. Groups had to have operational plans to operate as well.
 - 2. More signage is going up so the public has information regarding the use of the facilities.
 - c. All staff received their CPR/FA certifications and drills were completed.
2. **HYCC**
- a. Facility reopening
 - 1. Butler rink will be up and ready for the start of programs on 9/28.
 - 2. Remote Learning Center will be held at the HYCC.
 - i. A special exemption is required to run this program- this is being worked on by Michelle Davies.
 - ii. Plan is to start the program on October 13th.
 - iii. It's for 6th & 7th graders and will accommodate a maximum of 39 students.
 - iv. CDBG money is available to qualified applicants.
 - v. Cost is \$26 per day.
 - 3. Mark Boardley is working with Tom Turco and other coaches on the Cape to run a High School Volleyball League Program.
 - 4. Cape Cod Family Table Collaborative has offered to do an after school program with the students who are enrolled in the remote after school program.
3. **Aquatics (Handout B)**
- a. Parking Permits
 - 1. Daily sales are higher than last year but about 1100 less beach permits were sold.
 - 2. Less permits opened more spots on the beach for the pay per day cars.
 - 3. More people walked in/were dropped off this year.
 - b. Covell's, Craigville, Dowses, and Sandy Neck will have staff through September 20th to ensure we don't go over capacity.
 - 1. Bathrooms at these sites will stay open during the day through that date.
 - 2. Portables will be available in the evening.
 - c. Other sites will have portable toilets through September 20th.
 - d. Hathaway's Pond was closed after hours on August 9th due to a drowning.
4. **Programs**
- a. All Day Summer Fun Club
 - 1. Was a tremendous success.
 - i. Madeline Noonan (Community Services Director) confirmed the success of the program, stating the staff did a phenomenal job providing a fun, educational program while keeping everyone safe. There was quite a lot of risk involved but the staff was extremely attentive and carefully followed all the safety protocols every morning and throughout the day. They used creative ways to ensure social distancing. Not one case of Covid-19 was reported. She praised the commitment and dedication of all the staff including Mickie Davies, Patti Machado, and John Gleason for the outstanding job they did to make this happen.

Joseph O'Brien asked Madeline Noonan to let Nikolas Atsalis back into the Zoom meeting as he was bumped off.

- 2. Each child received a back pack on the last day, donated by the Hyannis Kiwanis Club and Toys for Tots. This was organized by Brian Morrison.



- b. Skate Park
 - 1. Is open Tuesday – Sunday from 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM
 - 2. Staff is there to help anyone who wants to learn.
 - c. Tennis, Dance, Archery, Running, Stand up and Paddle, and Yoga all had successful programs.
 - d. Fall program brochure has gone out. Registration will begin Friday, September 18th. **(Handout C)**
 - 1. BIS gym is closed so programs cannot be held there.
 - 2. Operational plans have been developed for all the programs that will be run.
5. **Youth Commission Report – Lily Beal (Vice Chair)**
- a. An Informational Gathering was held in August at Kalmus Beach. Last Tuesday was the first formal meeting.
 - b. Items are needed for the Hidden In Plain Site trailer: furniture and typical teenage room decorations.
 - c. No Place For Hate
 - 1. Rene King added information about the No Place For Hate Organization doing a youth listening session to hear about racism from the perspective of young people.
 - 2. Instagram has a 3 question survey.
 - 3. A number of politicians will be part of the listening session, including Will Crocker who has sent a representative from his youth group, and Senator Cyr.
 - 4. Adults are to sit back and listen to the voice of the young people.
 - 5. Piper Hunt is representing the Youth Commission and Cesar Almeida will be representing the Hyannis Youth and Community Center.
 - d. The Community Substance Abuse Forum is presenting challenges due to Covid-19. They may do a virtual program but as of now they are going slow as they see how things go with the start of school.

Joseph O'Brien took a minute to mention the new Recreation Division's new logo, how it stands out, looks so great, and he wanted to thank John Gleason for the great job he did with it. Rene King asked if tee shirts will have the new logo. Patti Machado said any program that gives out a tee shirt will have the logo but it may not be in color as the color print is more expensive. Madeline Noonan agreed that the color really makes the brochure stand out.

IV LIAISON'S REPORTS

- 1. **James Tenaglia – CPC**
 - a. Pickleball
 - 1. \$522,000 was approved to finish funding the renovations for the Pickleball/Tennis courts at the West Villages Elementary School.
 - 2. There will be ten dedicated pickleball courts in addition to the tennis courts with fences all around.
 - 3. The design uses materials that will last a lot longer than typical courts.
 - 4. 40-60 pickleball representatives were involved in the process, showing it had much support.
 - 5. The hearing for the pickleball courts is at the next CPC meeting.
 - b. Facility Tour Evaluation
 - 1. The recommendations made by the Recreation Commission based on their Facility Tours and Evaluations were well received. The committee members recognize the time and effort spent and the due diligence that was done. They value the opinions of the Recreation Commission members and this helped them see where money needs to be spent.



2. Renee Dowling – Barnstable Athletic Advisory Council

- a. A challenging and disappointing time for many student athletes who want to play
- b. No football or volleyball until the 2nd phase of the fall which will be in February
- c. Patti Machado let her know that if there are any student football or volleyball players that want to coach during this time, the Recreation Division needs help with programs such as flag football and tee ball.
- d. Tim Lus will be looking for staff as well to help with Flag Football

3. Nikolas Atsalis – Barnstable Little League

- a. Will have an update at the next meeting after touching base with Mike Clark.
- b. Joseph O'Brien says the project for the concession stand/bathroom building is still ongoing.

3. Joseph O'Brien – Sandy Neck Board

- a. He has been approved and sworn in on the Sandy Neck Board.
- b. He'll be attending his first meeting later this evening.
- c. Park Manager, Nina Coleman, on a trial basis, opened up some of the trails at the park to campfires shortly before Labor Day week-end. This did not go well.
 1. People were disregarding the rules: starting fires early, gathering in large groups without social distancing, not abiding by curfews, and leaving fires burning at the end of the night.
 2. Unfortunately, this ruined it for the other campers.

4. Rene King - Pickleball

- a. The group members are very happy with how the town has addressed their concerns.

Madeline Noonan, Community Services Director, took a moment to applaud Patti Machado and all the staff for all they've done during this difficult time. It's been a real learning experience for her, being so new to the job, and it's been truly inspiring to see the work, the commitment, and the dedication with the time, effort, and planning that's gone in to all the successes the Division has had this summer.

V MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR - None

VI NEW BUSINESS - NEXT MONTH'S AGENDA TO BE DETERMINED

VII PUBLIC COMMENT – None

Joseph O'Brien entertained a motion be made to adjourn the meeting. Motion made by Rene Dowling, seconded by James Tenaglia. **VOTE – all In Favor.** Meeting adjourned at 6:32 PM.

NEXT MEETING – October 5, 2020

