



**TOWN OF BARNSTABLE
BARNSTABLE RECREATION DIVISION**

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RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

1 July 2019

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).

Commission Members Present: Joseph O'Brien, Chair, James Tenaglia, Vice-Chair, Renée Dowling, Brendan Burke

Absent: Kathy Pina, Rene King, and Tanya Dawson

Also Present: Patti Machado, Recreation Division Director

The meeting was called to order at 5:30, all commissioners present introduced themselves.

Motion was made by James Tenaglia to accept the minutes from the May 6th meeting as submitted, seconded by Renée Dowling. **VOTE – All In Favor.**

A. Recognition of Employees of the Year

- a. Kayla Albury, Leisure Program Councilor - Presentation by Micelle Davies, Program Coordinator
- b. Cayleigh Malone, Beach Attendant - Presentation by John Gleason, Assistant Recreation Director
- c. Morgan Michael, HYCC Recreation Assistant - Presentation by John Gleason for Mark Boardley, Youth Center Manager
- d. Irene Aylmer, Gate Attendant - Presentation by John Gleason, Assistant Recreation Director
- e. Kate Elletson, Recreation Program Assistant - Presentation by John Gleason, Assistant Recreation Director
- f. Thomas Miskiv, Lifeguard - Presentation by Tim McGrath, Aquatic Program Coordinator

B. Election of Recreation Commission Chairman and Vice Chairman

- a. Motion made by James Tenaglia to elect Joseph O'Brien as Chairman, seconded by Renée Dowling. **VOTE – All in Favor.**
- b. Motion made by Renée Dowling to elect James Tenaglia as Vice Chairman, seconded by Brendan Burke. **VOTE – All in Favor.**

C. Staff Report – Patti Machado (Handout Exhibit A)

a. Administration

1. Veterans Playground – there was a mishap which has been repaired and all is ready for the 4th of July.
2. John Gleason is the new Cape & Island Representative for Mass Recreation and Parks Association.

3. John Gleason has been accepted into the Certificate in Local Government Leadership and Management program sponsored by MMA and Suffolk University, which starts in September.
4. Patti Machado has been appointed to the National Parks and Recreation Association Substance Misuse Community of Practice. She attended the Zoom Meeting.

b. Aquatics

1. Beaches all opened on Saturday, June 22nd and are fully staffed. The total number of lifeguards is 105.
2. A Water Safety Instructor Course was held at Craigville Beach the week before we opened. All swimming programs are taught by certified instructors.
3. All Lifeguards have been trained in Stop the Bleed by Barnstable Fire Department's trained staff.
4. The Fire Department provided the upgraded first aid kits so the beaches in their districts can administer Stop The Bleed procedures.
5. Tim McGrath has attended two shark meetings in Eastham to discuss shark concerns and share information. Sharks are not staying offshore due to the seals coming in closer to the shore and there is no good way to track this.
6. Volleyball stands have been replaced at Veterans, Kalmus, Sea St. and Covells beaches with a quality set up. Volleyball stands have been added at Craigville, Dowses, and Sandy Neck beaches.
7. Beach shirts are being sold at the HYCC. Money that is made from these sales goes back to the beaches to help purchase beach safety equipment as needed.
8. Tim McGrath attended the United States Lifeguard Association Open Water Lifeguard Management Academy at Mass Maritime on June 12th.
9. Cape Cod Lifesaving Competition is Friday, August 2nd at Harding's Beach in Chatham.

c. HYCC

1. Cape Cod Chowdah Classic Hockey Tournament, which is an annual event, was this past weekend.
2. Father Daughter Dance was June 14th and was attended by 101 couples.
3. Bike Rodeo was held on June 22nd with the Hyannis/Yarmouth Kiwanis. There were 30 participants.
4. High School Basketball and Volleyball Leagues started last week. 171 are playing volleyball, 185 are playing boys basketball, and 72 are playing girls basketball.
5. High school hockey is being played at HYCC.
6. Youth Police Academy is going well. Officer Joe Cairns has taken the place of Officer Reid Hall who has retired.
7. The Baking Program was so popular a 2nd class was added.
8. Two blood drives have been held at the HYCC by Cape Cod Health Care and have been successful.
9. Free lunches are being served Monday-Friday in conjunction with St. Mary's Church. It is posted for anyone who is interested. **(Handout Exhibit B)**
10. The After School Programs finished strong with Councilor Levesque's group Cape Cod Community Business Group providing the children with a wonderful cookout.
11. Children's Cove came in to do a program on ways to discuss child/sexual abuse, children being safe, and what to do if they are in need of help. They invited parents in to discuss signs and also spoke to our Leisure Program personnel.

d. Recreation Programs

1. Spring Programming increased. Program participant numbers and comparisons is included – **(Handout Exhibit C)**
2. All Leisure Programs were filled. Today was Christians Law so all the children were tested for swimming. If they don't pass they have to wear a life jacket.

e. Youth Commission

1. Lucas McCauley was elected the new Chairman and Connor Levesque was elected Vice Chairman for the up and coming year. They do not meet during the summer.

2. The Youth Commission will be the Grand Marshalls for the 4th of July parade.

D. Recreation Facility Tours – Discussion

- a. All agreed the tours are going well.
- b. Everyone is happy the community has been going and providing their input.
- c. The wide disparity between the facilities has been eye opening.
- d. Seeing the properties being used has been interesting, especially the number of people using them such as at Hathaway's Pond. Details have been assigned to Hathaways and gates will be closed on the 4th of July due to the large numbers.
- e. Slowly but surely the state of the facilities is being turned around.
- f. It is a good tool to use every two or three years to make sure the facilities are kept up to date.

E. Liaison's Reports

- a. CPC – James Tenaglia
 1. Patti Machado and Chris from the DPW attended the last meeting discussing the Barnstable Hollow Field. CPC approved them to go from the intent phase to the application phase. It is the beginning of the pilot program for the DPW to do a lot of the field construction in house. Hopefully the Hollow will get through the application phase this month and they can continue on with those projects.
- b. Barnstable High School Athletics – Renée Dowling
 1. Have not met again but the Barnstable High School Climate Study is out and can be found on the Barnstable High School website.
- c. Little League – Joseph O'Brien
 1. Completed their regular season on Father's Day with their championship game between the Barnstable Police and East Coast Trophy which went well and was well attended.
 2. They are now in their All-Star mode. They have eight teams this year which have children between the ages of 9 and 12 participating. They are having a good season so far.
 3. They are still moving forward on the concession stand/bathroom project. They are working with the engineer on feasibility studies.

F. Matters Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair

- a. Joseph O'Brien testified before the Town Council on June 20th. The courses are run by the golf committee and the Recreation Division doesn't have any oversight but with their discussion of pesticide use, it is of interest and pertinent to the Recreation Division and what is put on the fields. The pesticide issue is something that has been in the works for several years with concerns about what is going into our drinking water. More recently the issue of going green has come up. Some golfers are concerned about the high risk involved if it is done all at once/cold turkey and the negative impact this would have to the courses. Joe feels the town has a good handle on it and says they are working on putting forth a program to slowly introduce the green pesticides they will be using. Joe is happy that Barnstable is taking the lead on this and taking care of our drinking water.

G. NEW BUSINESS – Next Month's Agenda Items

- a. Upcoming Facility Tours on July 22nd and August 5th.
- b. No formal meeting until September.
- c. Renée Dowling asked that the Friends Of The Dog Park be invited to the September meeting. She would like to see what they may need, what they saw that has worked this summer and what may not have worked.

H. Public Comment - None

Next Meeting – September 9, 2019 as September 2nd is Labor Day.

- a. Facility Tour July 22, 2019
- b. Facility Tour August 5, 2019
- c. Facility Tour August 26, 2019

Motion made to adjourn by James Tenaglia, 2nd by Renée Dowling. **VOTE – All in favor.** Meeting adjourned at 6:25PM.

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

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

Board, Committee, or Commission Name			RECREATION COMMISSION			
Date Rec'd	Material Dated	Meet Date	From	To	Subject	Exhibit
7/1/2019	7/1/2019	7/1/2019	Patti Machado	RC	Staff Report	A
7/1/2019	7/1/2019	7/1/2019	Patti Machado	RC	Free Lunch Notice	B
7/1/2019	7/1/2019	7/1/2019	Patti Machado	RC	Summer Program Numbers	C