



**TOWN OF BARNSTABLE  
BARNSTABLE RECREATION DIVISION**

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**RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

**4 March 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: Joe O'Brien, Chair, James Tenaglia, Vice-Chair, Renée Dowling, Brendan Burke, and Tanya Dawson**

**Absent: Kathy Pina and Renee King**

**Also Present: Patti Machado, Director of Recreation, and Ethan Sirhal, Youth Commission Liaison**

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

Motion made by James Tenaglia to accept the minutes from February's meeting as submitted, seconded by Renée Dowling. Joseph O'Brien asked for an amendment to the spelling of the name of the Cotuit Kettleers.

**VOTE – All in Favor to accept.**

**Tod Drew Recognition by Joseph O'Brien**

- Tod was recognized for the 23 years of service to the Barnstable Youth Soccer Association.

**Barnstable Police Department – Officer Brian Morrison**

- Officer Morrison shared his experience with his work as the Community Liaison Officer at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center which he was appointed to two years ago. According to Patti Machado, his presence and interaction with the youth has had a very positive effect. Brian brings other police officers to the center as well as members of the fire department, and he interacts with the youth on a daily basis. He has seen how this interaction has turned things around in a very significant way. Working with the youth is the most important part of his job at HYCC. The children look at him and the other police officers now in a whole new light and come to tell him things they see going on in the street. He is a lifeline of help and has seen trust and respect being built.

**Staff Report – Patti Machado (Handout Exhibit A)**

**A. Administration**

- a. List of all our facilities is included. **(Handout Exhibit B)** We will be setting up times for the commission members to tour all of our locations and facilities.
- b. Lombard Field will be opening April 1<sup>st</sup>. Luke's Love will be opening around the same time.
- c. CIP hearings for the Town Council will have the first readings on Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. April 4<sup>th</sup> is when the Community Services will be addressed. Patti will send commission members the book.
- d. Summer Employment – Applications are being received.

- e. MRPA (Massachusetts Recreation & Parks Association) Conference is March 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup>. Patti will be presenting at the conference teaching a class on how to make a manual, what needs to be in a manual and how to run an orientation.

## B. Special Events

- a. Skate for Love –. The food donations received at this event were delivered to the First Baptist Church of Hyannis.

## C. Winter Programs

- a. Saturday Sunshine – Going to the State Special Olympics on March 9<sup>th</sup>. Pictures will be on Facebook

## D. Spring Programs

- a. Registration started February 26<sup>th</sup>. The Brochure went home with schools and all commission members have a copy. **(Handout Exhibit C)** Programs are already filling up.

## E. HYCC

- a. A new youth hockey program is coming to HYCC and the contract is close to being signed. Top Shelf is coming back and they will be called New England Thunder.
- b. Rock Night is on March 22<sup>nd</sup> for intermediate school students.

## F. Aquatics

- a. Lifeguard Training classes are filling up faster than anticipated. 105 lifeguards are needed. They will work with you if you need help with your swimming. You get trained for pools as well as the ponds and oceans.

## G. Youth Commission – Ethan Sirhal presented.

- a. One Love
  - i. Barnstable High School Juniors will be April 9<sup>th</sup>.
  - ii. Sturgis East & West Seniors will be May 24<sup>th</sup>. This is the first one they are doing at Sturgis.
  - iii. They are looking forward to expanding to St. John Paul and Cape Cod Tech.
- b. Job Fair – March 6<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 to 5:00.
  - i. This is an all-inclusive event for anyone who is looking for summer employment.
  - ii. Vendors will be there looking to hire teenagers.
  - iii. Students will have the opportunity to learn about the dos and don'ts when applying for a job.
  - iv. Two busses will be provided for transportation from BHS to HYCC at dismissal.
  - v. RTA will be at the job fair to provide information to the youth on how they can get to and from a job using this transportation. This is due to Mark Ells meeting with them.
  - vi. Senator Cyr will be there to participate and be a part of the Youth Summit.
  - vii. Representative Crocker has also said he would like to be there. He is working on getting money to help the Youth Commission.
  - viii. Ethan Sirhal, fellow Youth Commission member, George Cole, and John Gleason were invited to speak on Doug Verney's show Spectrum. This was a great opportunity to speak to the community about the programs they are working on.
- c. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Summit
  - i. March 15<sup>th</sup> at Cape Cod Community College for 7<sup>th</sup> graders.
  - ii. Presentations will be by Kevin Stevens of the Pittsburg Penguins, Kevin Rosario of Gosnold, Dynamic Influence, and the BHS Peer Leaders.
  - iii. Funding & Donations secured over the past month
    - 1. \$1000 - Kiwanis International. Officer Brian Morrison invited them to go to the meeting. They have said this will be an ongoing annual grant.
    - 2. \$3500 - JFK Memorial Trust Fund. The chairman of the Youth Commission went before them to present and secured the grant.
    - 3. \$2500 – Cape Cod Health Care.
    - 4. \$1000 – District Attorney Michael O'Keefe's Office.

5. \$250 – Barnstable Police Patrolman’s Unit.
6. \$230 – Barnstable Police Officer’s Unit.
7. \$100 – Barnstable Fireman’s Association.
8. Busses for transportation donated by Five Star Bus Company.
9. Prizes for incentives for the 7<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in the events. Donations by:
  - a) Advanced Embroidery
  - b) Butler’s Sporting Goods
  - c) Brazilian Grill
  - d) Palio Pizzeria
  - e) Hi-Line Cruises
  - f) Cape Cod Creamery
  - g) Steve & Sue’s Par-Tee Freeze
  - h) Four Seas Ice Cream

d. April will start work on the Suicide Prevention Youth Task Force for Barnstable.

**American Red Cross Honorable Mention Award Presentation** to Ethan Sirhal by Joe O’Brien. John Gleason nominated Ethan for the American Red Cross Cape and Islands and Southeastern Massachusetts Heroes of the Year Award for saving a 17 year old girl from drowning when Ethan was a lifeguard this past summer. The Red Cross presented him with an honorable mention *In Recognition Of Your Nomination As A Class of 2018 Red Cross Hero and With Gratitude Of Your Service To Our Community*.

### **Liaison’s Reports**

- a. Renée Dowling, Barnstable High School Athletics liaison. Meeting was postponed/canceled so they will meet in the next couple of weeks.
- b. James Tenaglia, CPC liaison – The CPC funded an open space project. The Orenda Wildlife Land Trust has purchased acreage off of Great Marsh in Centerville from the diocese so this will remain untouched land. It is not finalized yet but is in process now.
- c. Joseph O’Brien – Barnstable Little League
  - i. Currently they are using the field house at the high school where the players start limbering up in March before they are able to go outside.

**Matters Not Reasonably Anticipated By The Chair.** – Nothing to report.

### **NEW BUSINESS-Next Month’s Agenda Items**

1. DPW – Field Study Update
2. Total Athletics
3. Cotuit Kettleers
4. New England Thunder
5. Review of trips to visit facilities.

### **Public Comment – NONE**

James Tenaglia motioned to adjourn, Renée Dowling seconded. **VOTE – All in Favor**  
Meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM.

Public files are available for viewing during normal business hours

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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
3/4/2019	3/4/2019	3/4/2019	Patti Machado	RC	Staff Report	A
3/4/2019	3/4/2019	3/4/2019	Patti Machado	RC	2019 Recreation Facility Tour Proposal	B
3/4/2019	3/4/2019	3/4/2019	Patti Machado	RC	Spring Brochure	C