



BARNSTABLE RECREATION DIVISION

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RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

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

Commission Members Absent: Rene King and Kevin Turner

The meeting was called to order at 5:32PM, roll call was taken. **Joe O'Brien stated** that **Clyde Takala** had resigned from the Commission and wished to thank **Clyde** for all his hard work and many years on the Commission; serving as Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson along with getting the building of the HYCC accomplished. Now have an opening on the Commission anyone interested may download the application from the Town's website under Town Council, if anyone would like to serve.

Public Comment – NONE

Proposed Swimming Pool, **Diane Klaiber** – Submitted following proposal and gave highlights to the Commission.

BARNSTABLE SWIMMING POOL PROPOSAL

PURPOSE:

To provide recreational water activities for **ALL** ages from babies to the elderly which is currently NOT offered in Barnstable, Sandwich, Yarmouth and Falmouth.

NEED:

- YMCA is the only 25-meter pool between the towns of Yarmouth, Barnstable, Sandwich and Falmouth whose total focus is families.
- Over 1/3 of Cape residents are retired without families. This number is growing!
- Residents are going off Cape to swim at the Wareham YMCA or Maritime Academy.
- Local schools cannot have a swim team as no place to practice. (Sturgis for one)
- YMCA is overcrowded and overused.
- Water at the YMCA is too cold for elderly unless you want the small pool but available times extremely limited due to swim lessons, parties, and family times.
- At times, only 1-2 lap lanes available for members at YMCA with 3-4 in a lane trying to swim.
- For a town and/or area this large, incomprehensible that we have 2 ice-skating rinks and no in-door pool.
- Water aerobics is an exercise for all ages.

- Everyone living on the Cape needs to know how to swim
- Ocean swimming warm enough for only 2-3 months at most during a year.

PROGRAMS in Order of Importance:

- Water aerobics during the day taught by certified instructors using the entire pool
- Lap swimming for ADULTS
- Programs for handicapped such as Parkinson's (currently there is no program specializing in this in spite of the number of people on the Cape with it)
- Swim team practice at night which might include dive team, lifeguard instruction, scuba diving etc.
- Use by summer residents (rainy days and seniors)

COST:

Using preservation funds for piecemeal programs and for a limited population.

- Packet includes cost by Amer. Association Swimming Association. Annual cost of \$200,000.
- Talk to Sandwich and see if Barnstable could not share the cost of making the pool there useable again.
- Potential for a shared community resource for Falmouth, Barnstable and Sandwich.
- Need to build locker room and parking lot and fix the current pool in Sandwich.

LOCATION:

- Sandwich High School allows for minimal cost for all towns but would need to be managed by town governance NOT school.
- Marstons Mills school where discussing Little League fields.
- Barnstable High School
- Hyannis Recreational Center?
- Senior Center
- Pavilion (For Sale on 28)

My brother lives in Franklin, TN, and a town of 8000. There is a 25-meter pool open 7 days a week used for lap swimming and water aerobics and the swim team. He pays \$40 a year for unlimited swimming.

Diane Klaiber stated she would like the Commission to contact Sandwich to see if any towns on the Cape could share the cost of getting the pool up and running. **Kathy Pina** asked if the Sandwich pool under state guidelines. **Diane** not sure. **Richard Sawyer** stated isn't there hotels that supply swimming to the public. **Patti Machado** said three on the Cape. **Joe O'Brien** stated Falmouth has started a committee for a pool. **Diane Klaiber** stated if they are putting in fields at Marstons Mills school why not a pool. **Patti Machado** stated CPC being used for fields, outdoor use only for those funds. Discussion followed. The Commission recommended that **Diane** put a committee together, do further research, and contact Sandwich. **Kathy Pina** suggested talking to Mashpee also. Commission requested **Diane Klaiber** return for June agenda, if ready, if not then July's agenda.

Staff Report, Joe Izzo -handouts given (see attached) **Joe Izzo** stated planning a Father Daughter dance the Friday before Father's day, will hand out flowers to the daughters. June is showing to be a very busy month here, having an amateur boxing event, will have more information next month. Have Bikes on Ice for second year on Father's Day. Following weekend Gymport's spring/summer event, they are growing so big;

holding the event at HYCC. It is a great partnership, we send children to them and they send to us. **Joe O'Brien** asked who is doing the maintenance at the HYCC. **Joe Izzo** stated Steve Maderios is the facility manager and under him are three full time employees Scott, Josh and Blake. They are tasked with driving the Zamboni along with all maintenance of the building; they all do a great job. **Richard Sawyer** stated you have regularly scheduled staff meetings. **Joe Izzo** replied yes, 1PM on Thursdays. Discussion followed. **Joe O'Brien** stated the coaches should be responsible for locker room cleanup. **Joe Izzo** stated right now the focus is on making sure our staff is accountable and that our seasonal staff is doing what they should be doing. **Richard Sawyer** asked what the worse problem is. **Joe Izzo** stated regarding this situation, staffing. Discussion followed. **Joe Izzo** stated car keys are given for the locker room key but when busy there is no time to check the locker room before the locker room key is turned in, so we have no way of knowing who may have done any damage to the locker rooms. **Kathy Pina** stated maybe have the user groups let you know if the locker room is a mess when they come in after a messy group. **Steve Mele** asked is there a lot of damage in the shower area? **Joels Izzo** stated no. **Joe O'Brien** stated we meet with the BYHA at the start of every season; believe this issue should be brought then for discussion and solutions. Discussion followed. **Joe O'Brien** stated develop a very easy one page check list for each user group. Put BYHA on agenda for July or August, a representative from the board and also a representative for the coaches to discuss the issue.

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

A. Administration

a. Disabilities Commission - \$1500 Assistance – communications, *generous donation and are beyond ecstatic with the Commissions tour, and why they are listening, very happy and want to get together with you as Commissioners to make sure their needs are meet.*

b. Masonic Fraternity (Centerville)

i. Centerville Playground - \$779.00 donation, *towards the audit of the playground, Nancy White will be the auditor. Discussion followed.*

B. Spring Recreation Programs

a. Summer Leisure Program Registration – Centerville Elm. & Intermediate Age Grade 5th-8th are full. *Other programs close to full.*

b. Patriot' Run – Hathaway's April 15th – 86 kids participated. *At High School this year.*

c. Spring Program #'s – See flyer, *went over numbers of participants.*

d. Road Races –

1. Glenn Kohl – Piggy Trot - Dowses Beach 10am – May 19th we had *over 49 Recreation staffers involved in this race. One of our lifeguards actually won the race.*

2. Viva Palooza – June 2nd at BHS – 10am our Race last year, *Emerald Physicians is running this health fair, our kids will be running the race/walk, John Gleason is overseeing it. The race is \$20 now \$25 the day of, everything else is free.*

C. Summer Program Brochure – See Flyer *Registration for sailing was this weekend, over 100 people registered. Three to four classes are full, still plenty of room. We have some new programs this year.*

D. Aquatics

a. Administration – Supervisors, Gate Attendant & Beach Aid Positions Full Lifeguards – Last tryouts were Saturday, May 5th – tally everything up

i. Orientations & Pre-Season)

- b. Beach Opening Dates – *Open weekends only, open June 22nd for the season.*
 - i. Memorial Day weekend – Vets/Kal/Keys/Covells/Craig/Dowses (Sandy Neck – not under Recreation) FIGAWI – Fri/Sat - Vets
 - ii. Pre-Season Craigville/Covell’s – Open weekdays (No Lifeguards)
 - iii. June 22nd – All other beach sites open (Not funded Lovell’s & Hamblin’s)
- c. Concessions
 - i. Mobile Sites
 - a. Vets & Covell’s – Winterbottom – Perry’s Last Stand
 - b. Loop/Lovell/Hamblins/Joshuas - Winterbottom – Perry’s Last Stand
 - c. Weq/Hath/Mill/- Winterbottoms – Perry’s Last Stand
 - d. Keyes Beach– Hyannis Ice Cream
 - ii. Kalmus Beach – Andy Milk and the Family
- c. Parking Permits (Beach Stickers) *Sold at HYCC, bring your tax bill with you and your registration, can maybe avoid the long line.*
- d. JFK Memorial – Open; *Hats have gone up to \$20, we were fearful they would not sell as well, but they are.*
- e. Hyannis Yacht Club Scholarships for Sailing

New Business – Joe O’Brien stated he would like to table the liaisons discussion till Junes meeting. **Kathy Pina** is all ready the Osterville Bay liaison, **Kathy** stated tomorrow is the first meeting. Still need people for Lombard Field, Veterans Park, three tennis courts, and Craigville. **Joe** asked about the skate park. **Patti Machado** stated CPC has agreed to some funding but would like to see the town come up with half. Also waiting for a report from the kids who use it as to what they would like to see in the park. **Joe O’Brien** would like everyone to think about what project they would like to be on.

CPC Report, Richard Sawyer – Nothing before the CPC, but I have been following the Town Council and they have funded all Recreation requests. Also the town manager emphasized his focus on Recreation for the next few of years. A good sign for us. Discussion followed.

Old Business – Joe O’Brien stated postpone the vote for new officers till July, if we have a new member. **Kathy Pina** stated she would like to do the vote with the current six members. **Joe O’Brien** stated officer vote will be on the July agenda. **Richard Sawyer** stated second or fourth Monday for rescheduled meetings would work best; also would like to encourage the members to attend meetings.

Kathy Pina made motion to adjourn **Richard Sawyer** second, all in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:55PM.

Public files are available for viewing during normal business hours

**Further detail may be obtained by viewing the video via Channel 18 On-Demand at

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

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

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