

**`TOWN OF BARNSTABLE** BARNSTABLE RECREATION DIVISION PATTI MACHADO Director of Recreation 141 Bassett Lane



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# **RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES**

# 3 February 2020

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 5:32 PM.
- 2. All commissioners present introduced themselves.
  - 1. Commission Members Present: Joseph O'Brien, Chair, James Tenaglia, Vice-Chair, Brendan Burke, Renee Dowling, Rene King, Nikolas Atsalis
  - II. Also Present: Patti Machado Director of Recreation, Morgan Contrino Youth Commission Liaison
- 3. Act on Minutes from meeting of January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020
  - I. Year to be changed from 2019 to 2020
  - II. Motion was made by James Tenaglia to accept the minutes, with the amendment, from the January 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020 meeting, seconded by Rene Dowling. **VOTE All In Favor.**

### B. Welcome of Nikolas Atsalis, new Commissioner

### C. BHS Girls Volleyball Coach – Tom Turco

- 1. Congratulations offered by Joe O'Brien for the plaque which was awarded to him by the American Volleyball Coaches Association on his 700<sup>th</sup> win.
- 2. Tom runs the Barnstable Summer Volleyball Program every summer which has an average of 140 participants.
- 3. Tom feels the recreation program presents a great opportunity for the high school coaches to get involved, for the younger children to see them and older players (both high school and college), and get excited to see what is ahead and to aspire to be like them.
- 4. Other coaches have approached him to ask him what his playbook for success is and he is always happy to work with them. Rene Dowling will mention this at her next Barnstable Athletic Association meeting.
- 5. They have not lost any participants to private schools.
- 6. In the sport of volleyball in the state of Massachusetts, the high level of play is at the high school level.
- 7. Barnstable is known as a volleyball powerhouse around the state and the commission members thanked him for the work he does.
- 8. He creates an avenue where the girls set their own goals with the girls believing they can be successful. The girls relate working hard with success.

### D. Public Comment (Taken Out of Order) – Steve Luciani

- a. Steve is starting a project which is a Memorial For War Dogs (Handout A)
- b. It is to commemorate the war dogs as well as their handlers. He showed a mock-up of what it will look like.

- c. Thursday night he will be presenting to the Town Council for approval so he can move forward in raising the money needed.
- d. Any extra money raised will be donated to the K9 units on Cape Cod.
- e. He would like the monument to be erected at the Barnstable Dog Park.
- f. The Recreation Commission will have to take this under advisement and will have to talk with the Members of the Dog Park.
- g. The hope is this will be completed by Memorial Day.

### E. Staff Report – Patti Machado (Handout B)

- A. Administration
  - a. RFPs have gone out for the Mobile Concessions at the beaches except for Kalmus (which is separate) and the HYCC concession which is being written.
  - b. Application for all Summer Employment went online.
  - c. ALICE Training
    - 1. All full time staff went to the training. Seasonal employees and night crew will go through this as well.
  - d. New Recreation Branding John Gleason will attend the next meeting to present the branding that is being worked on.
  - e. 2019 Recreation Commission Tour Draft Copy for the vote on priorities. (Handout C)
    - 1. The last page lists priorities
    - 2. Discussion was held
    - 3. Commissioners will take the handout home and send their priority list to Patti. This cannot be discussed among the commissioners due to open meeting laws.
  - f. Spring Program Registration will begin February 25th at 8:45am.
  - g. Meetings are held weekly with David Anthony to work on User Agreements for consistency.
- B. Aquatics
  - a. Lifeguard Tryouts April 4<sup>th</sup> & May 9th
- C. HYCC
  - a. BHS Pep Band & Chorus were at the BHS/Falmouth hockey game on 1/18.
  - b. Art Exhibit in the HYCC Multi-Cultural Room
    - 1. Grant received for \$1,500 which paid for the boards which hold the artwork.
    - 2. The artwork was done by high school seniors based on their visits to Sandy Neck.
  - c. A Blood Drive will be at the HYCC on Wednesday 2/5/20 from 9:00AM 4:00PM
  - d. Rock Night on January 24<sup>th</sup> saw 134 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students participating.
  - e. Cape & Island's All Star Basketball Game is scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup>.
- D. Recreation Programs
  - a. Saturday Sunshine program participants will be competing in the Special Olympics on Sunday, February 9<sup>th.</sup>
  - b. Group going to the UConn Huskies Women's Basketball Game on February 22<sup>nd</sup> to see Molly Bent play on Senior Night.
  - c. Leisure Program extended day
    - 1. A survey has been conducted to find out if it is feasible, which at this point it's not, but will continue to look at options for offering this in the future.
- E. Youth Commission Morgan Contrino
  - a. 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Youth Summit being held March 20<sup>th</sup> 2020 at Cape Cod Community College
    - 1. Program and Logistics are done.
    - 2. Cliff Crosby, a new speaker, will be there.
    - 3. Five Star Bus Company will be donating transportation to the event.
    - 4. They are actively reaching out to businesses for donations for prizes.

- b. They are looking at Non-Profits that offer youth outreach or programming as a possibility for engaging young people in a positive way.
- c. Youth Job Fair will be held March 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - 1. They are looking specifically for businesses that hire young adults 14 through 17 to attend.
- d. A Youth Council member stepped down so currently a new applicant is awaiting an interview.
- e. Barnstable Vaping Council Liaison is Jenna Schmidt. The Youth Council has received a grant to work on Public Service announcements for our youth.
- f. One Love Program will be held April 9<sup>th</sup>. They are working on expanding it to St. John Paul, Upper Cape Tech, and Sturgis East & West.

### F. Liaison's Reports

- 1. CPC James Tenaglia
  - a. Annual meeting was moved to March
    - 1. If the Recreation Commission votes on the facility priorities at the March meeting, it can be brought before the CPC at their annual meeting.
    - 2. David Houghton will be evaluating whether the bath houses can be included with the CPC.
- 2. Barnstable Athletics Advisory Council Renée Dowling
  - a. Practices have been put into place as a result of the Northeastern study.
  - b. They are in the exploratory stage for next year with track and Best Buddies and Special Olympics.
  - c. Patti has been invited to the March 5<sup>th</sup> meeting to speak to the issue pertaining to the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade recreation basketball program.
  - d. They are working on having a late athletic bus to help with transportation issues and are exploring options for this.
  - e. Beginning Phase II with the field revitalization. It is expected that the baseball stadium will be ready in March.
  - f. Discussed their standing in the Cape and Islands League.
  - g. The football stadium is going to be resurfaced.
  - h. They are working on their mission statement.
  - i. Renee will ask them about how they are managing the issue with dogs on the fields.
- 3. Barnstable Little League Joseph O'Brien
  - a. Plans for the concession stands and bathroom facilities are ramping up.
  - b. Plans are drawn up to be presented to CPC and once this is done they will come before the Recreation Commission to present what they have come up with.

# G. Matters Not Reasonably Anticipated by the Chair

1. All Commissioners must do the Conflict of Interest Law training online.

# H. NEW BUSINESS – Next Month's Agenda Items

- 1. Finalize Priorities from the facility tours
- 2. Presentation of Community Award to Cathy Demanche
- 3. BHS Field Hockey Coach Ashley Bishop and HYCC Field Hockey Program Coordinator Melanie Mimmo
- 4. Dave Fouracre BHS baseball coach
- 5. Discussion on proposed War Dogs Memorial
- 6. John Gleason Recreation branding
- I. Next Meeting March 2nd, 2020 in Selectmen's Conference Room

James Tenaglia made a motion to adjourn. 2<sup>nd</sup> by Renee Dowling. Meeting adjourned at 6:56 PM.

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

		RECREATION COMMISSION			
Material					Exhibit
Dated	Meet Date	From	To	Subject	EXHIBIT
2/3/2020	2/3/2020	Steve Luciano	RC	War Dogs Memorial	A
2/3/2020	2/3/2020	Patti Machado	RC	Staff Report	В
2/3/2020	2/3/2020	Patti Machado	RC	Facility Tour Priority List	C
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