

# TOWN OF BARNSTABLE BARNSTABLE RECREATION DIVISION



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## RECREATION COMMISSION MINUTES

7 February 2011

**Commission Members Present:** Joe O'Brien – Chairman, Andy Gauthier, Rene King, Kathy Pina, Dan Proto and Kevin Turner

**Commission Members Absent:** Clyde Takala – Vice Chairman

The meeting was called to order at 5:27 pm, roll call was taken. Kevin Turner made a motion to accept the minutes from January 3<sup>rd</sup>, seconded by Dan Proto, the Commission voted and it was passed unanimously.

**Steve Francis – Athletic Director of Barnstable Schools** told Commission members the Hyannis Youth and Community Center exceeded his expectations; it is a beautiful facility. **Steve Francis** said the new turf field at the High School is excellent and now needs to make a schedule to accommodate the different sports. Boys / Girls Lacrosse and track and field will be scheduled this spring on the new turf field. There will be field hockey, soccer, and football scheduled in the fall. He said gymnastics, ice hockey, girl's basketball, and wrestling were doing exceptionally well. **Andy Gauthier** asked how has hockey assimilated to HYCC? **Steve** said that it has been great, very smooth, because of the multi surface facility. **Joe O'Brien** said he knew at the old Kennedy Rink that it was difficult to find practice ice especially for the girls. **Steve** said that there is no problem getting the ice time they need for practice. He went on to say that the building, the architecture, is first class all the way. It is a beautiful place and the use of space is great. **Kevin Turner** asked if there was a high school hockey camp or clinic for the youth in the summer for the kids to meet the team. **Steve** said they do not have one. The Commission members thanked Steve Francis for coming.

**New Business** **David Curley** asked the Commission members to vote on a logo contest that was being held by the HYCC. He said it was another way of branding the HYCC. This logo will be used for special events and for the HYCC. The community was involved and it is in the final stage before it goes to the Town Manager and a small group for a decision. **Rene King** asked if they could see the background information on the artist. **David** said they have that information; they worked on this project with art teacher Mr. Lopes, and hope to work with him in the future for the walls and corridors of HYCC. **Dan** asked how many entries were submitted. **David** informed the Commission about 50 entries and they were still looking to move forward with the donor wall.

**Joe O'Brien** gave the Commission members an update on the meeting of the chairs. He said they listened to the Town Manager regarding the budget and also Fred Chirigotis, Town Council President,

informed the Commissions and Committees about their liaisons. Debra Dagwon is our liaison and if we want her to be at any of our meetings we just need to request her to be there.

**Old Business Used Sports Equipment Needs Assessment Survey** **David** said they talked about the proposed program for used sports equipment. He said he checked with a local vendor, Play it Again Sports, and they are on board. We will be moving forward with this program. **Rene** made a motion to move forward with the needs assessment, seconded by **Kevin**, the Commission voted and it was passed unanimously.

**Nate Nickerson Naming Right** **Kathy Pina** asked David about a plaque for Nate Nickerson on the scorers building. **David** said Nate did a great deal for Lombard field and the community and is looking to moving forward with a naming recognition. He said that they were looking into a bronze plaque to be placed on the scorers building with strong language to recognize Nate. **Kevin Turner** asked if something could be done like Nickerson Park at Lombard Field or vice versa. **Dan Proto** asked if there could be a tournament named after Nate and have the money raised be donated back to the field for maintenance. **Kathy** said she was hoping to have something like a stone with Nate's name on it with flowers around it; Nate was a big man and she wants him to be recognized in a large way. **David** said he would open a dialogue and bring the information back to the board.

**Public Comment** **None**

**Director's Report** **David Curley** gave his Director's Report. See Attached. The next meeting is scheduled for March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at 5:30 at Town Hall. March's agenda items are as follows: Aaron Webb, Centerville Playground. Nate Nickerson, Naming Right.

**Kevin Turner** made a motion to adjourn, seconded by **Andy Gauthier**, the Commission voted and it was passed unanimously at 6:08 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Samantha Garfield, Principal Division Assistant, Recreation Division.