



Town of Barnstable  
**BARNSTABLE RECREATION**



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**RECREATION COMMISSION**

**April 4, 2022**

**I. PRELIMINARIES**

A. **Call To Order** by Joseph O'Brien (Chairman) at 5:31 PM

1. **Notice of Recording:** Please note that this meeting is being recorded and broadcast on Channel 18 and in accordance with MCL Chapter 30A20. The chair must inquire whether anyone is taping this meeting and to please make their presence known.

a. Sandra Merritt is recording for the purpose of writing the minutes.

B. **Roll Call**

1. **Commissioners Present:**

- Joseph O'Brien (Chairman)
- James Tenaglia (Vice-Chairman)
- Tim Lus
- Rene King
- Brendan Burke

2. **Commissioners Absent:**

- Nicholas Avery
- George Bent Jr.

3. **Also Present:** John Gleason (Director of Recreation), Lucas McCauley (Youth Commission Liaison) Nikolas Atsalis (Town Council Liaison), Terry Moran (Cotuit Kettleers)

C. **Act On Minutes** – Joseph O'Brien entertains a motion be made on the minutes from the March 7, 2022 meeting

1. Rene King made a motion that the minutes from the March 7, 2022 meeting be accepted. Jim Tenaglia seconded the motion. **VOTE – All In Favor**

**II. OLD BUSINESS** – None

**III. NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Cotuit Kettleers – Terry Moran, President**

1. New scoreboard will be going in

2. Will be replacing pavers in home plate area with engraved pavers in the walkway
3. Attempting to house all their players as well as their interns
  - a. A dozen more homes still needed
4. Season begins June 12<sup>th</sup> with the opening day at Lowell Park on June 14<sup>th</sup>

**B. Discussion on Continuing Meeting Via Zoom or In Person**

1. After discussion, Brendan Burke made a motion that meetings, other than the July Award Presentation meeting, continue to be held via Zoom. Jim Tenaglia seconded the motion. **VOTE – All In Favor**

Congratulations offered to John Gleason by Joseph O’Brien as the new Recreation Director

**IV. STAFF REPORT – JOHN GLEASON (Handout A)**

**A. Administration**

1. Attended Massachusetts Recreation and Parks Association Conference
  - a. Received the Community Impact Award for Cape & Islands region
2. Appointed Recreation Director on March 22nd
3. Met with Centerville Playground Committee to begin the process of designing the playground
4. Met with Barnstable Youth Lacrosse and DPW to go over the use of McBarron Field for the season
5. Received funding on March 23 from the JFK Memorial Trust Fund Committee for various funding needs
6. The Street Soccer Cage that was purchased arrived
  - a. Will be in the Hyannis Youth and Community Center parking lot until hockey season starts back up
  - b. Open play (first come first served) available as well as organized play in partnership with UKSD
7. Staff is tracking Clear Company for new applicants
  - a. Staff are setting up interviews on Clear Company
  - b. Staff are sending out re-hire packets to the returning staff

**B. Aquatics**

1. Parking Permits (Beach Stickers) are available online or by mail
2. Applications are available online for all Aquatic Positions
3. Lifeguard Tryouts: April 16, May 7, & May 14

**C. HYCC**

1. Children’s Cove met with the After School Program (S.O.A.R) participants giving a presentation on Cyber awareness and safety



2. Finished up high school athletics in the facility: Barnstable High School Hockey and Sturgis Basketball
3. Lobster Pot Tournament was the weekend March 18-March 20
  - a. Backside Bakes sold packaged food and beverages out of the concession stand during the tournament
4. Staff continues to meet and discuss snack bar options
5. Host of Brazilian Job Fair
  - a. The Recreation Division had a table there to recruit potential staff
6. Spring maintenance during April 16-April 24 will close down pockets of space at the Hyannis Youth and Community Center
  - a. Floor Plates will be installed to allow for additional Volleyball poles

**B. Recreation Programs**

1. All winter activities have ended
2. Spring and summer program planning has begun
3. Staff is meeting with potential new vendors
4. Summer Leisure Program planning is in process with registration to begin on April 12<sup>th</sup>

**C. Youth Services**

1. Moriah Becal is working on establishing support groups for the youth
  - a. HIPPA Release Disclaimer and Waiver form was needed and had to be created
  - b. Working on finding space to meet in spaces the youth will feel comfortable and safe in

**E. Youth Commission – Lucas McCauley (Chairman)**

1. Youth Summit
  - a. Held in mid-March at the Barnstable Intermediate School and Barnstable Adult Community Center
  - b. Entire 7<sup>th</sup> grade class attended – 369 students
  - c. A day of learning about making good choices when entering high school
2. One Love
  - a. Preparing for the April 5<sup>th</sup> event at St. John Paul for the junior class
  - b. April 13<sup>th</sup> will be at Barnstable High School for their junior class

**VI. LIAISON'S REPORTS**

**A. James Tenaglia – CPC**



1. \$200,000 was passed for allocation to Little League and will go in front of the Town Council
- B. **Rene King – Pickleball** – Nothing new to report
- C. **Tim Lus**
  1. Basketball tournaments were held the previous weekend
  2. Flag football has grown a travel program
- D. **Brendan Burke – Little League**
  1. He met the President
  2. Umpire training for the bases has begun
  3. Practice has begun
  4. Opening day is in April with an opening day celebration on Saturday, April 30<sup>th</sup>
  5. First game April 27<sup>th</sup>
  6. Comment by Joe O'Brien thanking Nikolas Atsalis for sending the pictures of the graffiti
    - i. Clean-up day is planned
- E. **Joseph O'Brien – Sandy Neck**
  1. Preparations are in full swing for upcoming summer season
  2. Funding has been received to bring in sand lost due to erosion

**VII. MATTERS NOT REASONABLY ANTICIPATED BY THE CHAIR**

- A. Joe Izzo's resignation and John Gleason's movement to Director has opened two new positions to be filled

**VIII. NEXT MONTH'S NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Hyannis Harbor Hawks – Dan Johnson
- B. Best Buddies

**IX. PUBLIC COMMENT** – None

Joseph O'Brien entertained a motion be made to adjourn the meeting. Brendan Burke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Rene King seconded the motion. **VOTE – All In Favor.** Meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM.

**NEXT MEETING May 2, 2022**

