

Town of Provincetown
Recreation Commission Meeting
REMOTE PARTICIPATION MEETING
Minutes of Wednesday, April 14th , 2021

Members Present, Robert Enos, Cathy Nagorski, Brandon Quesnell, Michael Miller, Kristin Hatch and Heather Rogers

Members Absent: David Oliver

Also in attendance: Assistant Recreation Director Caroline Thompson; Ali Waldo; Provincetown Bootcamp Instructor.

Also Absent: Brandon Motta, Recreation Director

Call to order: Cathy calls meeting to order at 5:31 pm

Public comment: Members of the public will be allowed to speak in the order they have called in. All public comments will be limited to 3 minutes, and this is the only section that the public will be allowed to comment.

Board Member statements: Board members will be taken by alphabetical order by last name followed by the chair being last:

Robert Enos II- No Comment

Kristin Hatch- Happy Spring

Michael Miller- No Comment

David Oliver- Not Present

Heather Rogers- No Comment

Brandon Quesnell- . No Comment

Cathy Nagorski- No Comment

New Business:

A) Lions Club Facility Use Request- Votes May be Taken

Caroline shares the Facility Use Request the department has received from the Lions Club. They are looking to park cars at Motta Field again during Memorial Day Weekend, Fourth of July, Carnival and Labor Day Weekend based on the Town's decision to have large events take place this summer.

Robert has no questions, they have been applying for a while.

Kristin thinks it's a great fundraiser.

Mike is in full support of the Lions club and what they have done in the past.

Heather no comment

Brandon Q. echoes what Mike Miller has said.

Kristin Hatch motions to approve the Lions Club application and proceed forward with the same stipulations that historically had taken place.

Brandon Q. seconds

5-0-0

B) Provincetown Bootcamp Facility Use Request- Votes May be Taken

Ali Waldo shares the information about her Bootcamp Class that she has filled out a Facility Use Request form for. She has been working with the Recreation Department and Brandon Motta for a very long time and is in full support of the Recreation Department and what they do.. She has offered the class at the West End Basketball Court in the past and has developed a strong following. With Covid and limited space she has requested to use Jerome Smith Field and hopes this is something the board will continue to consider.

Cathy opens up to the board for discussion.

Robert- Asks Ali how in the past did you figure out a payment with Brandon? Ali responds by saying it depends on how many people attended each class and paid at the end of the month. Robert thinks the bootcamp is a great thing and does not want to hold up this application because of the payment method.

Kristin- Do we have a fee schedule for this property? Caroline shares that it does not have a separate fee schedule like all the other properties. Kristin thinks it is great and is in full support.

Mike- Full support and keeping whatever structure has been done in the past for this year and looking forward to maybe adjusting.

Heather- Full support of Ali and her class and thinks Jerome Smith would be a great location.

Brandon Q.- Thumbs up for outdoor boot camp.

Cathy asks Ali about the fee percentage that was agreed upon with Brandon in the past? Ali says she thinks it was 20% of the attendees.

Heather motions to approve Ali's bootcamp class at Jerome Smith Field
Kristin Seconds

Cathy then asks if we want to add anything about the fee structure into the motion
Heather says she doesn't want to, wants to keep it done how it was done in the past with Brandon.

Mike suggests getting the fee structure for this application in writing

Kristin motions to approve Ali's Boot Camp Facility Use Request Application and move forward with it how it has been handled in the past.

Mike Miller Seconds

5-0-0

Memorial Day weekend is the anticipated start date!

C) Vote on Town Meeting Articles- Votes May be Taken

- Article 9 Part 3 Section E Open Space/Recreation \$100,000 for a Master Plan for Motta Field

Brandon Q. is in full support and the planning board is in full support of this Article as well.

Robert motions to recommend Article 9 Part 3 Section E Open Space/Recreation \$100,000 for a Master Plan for Motta Field to Town Meeting.

Brandon Q. seconds

5-0-0

Sub Committee Reports: Votes May be Taken

A)387 Commercial Street Working Group Update:

Cathy shares the email from Elisabeth regarding the contract for the awarded firm. She is excited and reassures the board they selected a great firm.

B) Skate Park Subcommittee Update:

Kristin shares there has not been much of an update other than the interim work at the park has been completed by the DPW so nothing should pose a big safety risk there.

Old Business

A)Town Meeting Presentation for CPC Grant Request- Votes May be Taken

Cathy shares that she and Kristin had met and discussed some talking points for the Motta Field project that is going to come up at Town Meeting.

Strategy and talking points:

Establish and recount history of Motta Field including events and the benefit of events for Rec dept

Perception is the field is underutilized- focus on potential/future with a state of the art athletic facility to benefit all

Grant is for the community planning process where everyone can provide input for consideration

Re-iterate this request IS NOT tax dollars nor does it increase anyone's taxes. This is a grant of monies set aside for community planning purposes, exactly what we are requesting

Solicit speakers to speak in favor of this- influential community members including kids and young people, other boards, school affiliates

Cathy then shares a "draft" Timeline- establish a timeline of the process, something like this, maybe more, maybe less- we can discuss:

Town Meeting awards the CPA grant for community planning process

Establish Motta Field Working Group dedicated to leading the process of sourcing a firm for the planning project

Begin RFQ/RFP Preparation including site briefing and RFQ finalization and distribution

Review submissions and create short list

Interview finalists, establish ranking system

Contract negotiation and notice to proceed

Community planning and engagement process begins, includes funding options for field renovation

Plans submitted to Working Group for consideration

Cathy also shares that her and Mike Miller have talked about putting a “graphic” together to use. Kristin and Mike really like the idea of a “Field of Dreams” point of view.

B)Motta Field Sub-Committee Discussion- Votes May be Taken

Cathy suggests waiting until the grant is approved and then the board will preliminary discuss moving forward with a subcommittee. However, she reiterates to the board how helpful the subcommittee will be especially since they created one for the Waterfront Park. The board names a few organizations/boards that could be a part of the Motta Field one. Some of the ones named were:

- Open Space
- Select Board
- Ali Waldo
- Local Gyms
- Board of Health
- DPW
- PBG
- VSB
- Chamber of Commerce
- Abutters
- Seashore Pointe

C)Phase 3 Step 2 Outdoor Amateur Sports Update- Votes May be Taken

The board revisits the Phase 3 Step 3 Outdoor Amateur Sports Update for the state that was updated at the end of March. Currently the basketball courts and playgrounds in town are open to the public but are following the guidelines initially released in July of 2020. The board discusses if they want to update their guidelines and requirements to match the states, or keep them the same. The board unanimously agrees to keep the guidelines the same and will discuss again as more things evolve.

Directors Report:

A) West End Basketball Court Retrofit-

Brandon Motta is not present, Caroline updates the board on the West End Basketball Courts. The entire project should be completed by Memorial Day (May 31st). The fence company will be working and completed the week of April 19th and the courts do not need to be closed during the fencing. Pavement will take place mid May.

Assistant Recreation Directors Report-

A) Spring Sports Update-

Caroline shares that spring sports will be starting the week of April 26th. On Tuesdays basketball will be available for students in grades 5th-8th ! Fridays will be Soccer for grades k-6th Grade. The department and families are excited for Spring Sports.

B) Adult Programming-

Flier has been created and gone out looking for adults to help teach a class for the Recreation Department. Anyone who has a passion, skill and or hobby they are willing to share is encouraged to get intouch with the recreation department and fill out a brief application telling us a little bit about what you are looking to offer.

Other:

Approval of March 24th, 2021 Minutes
Brandon Q. motions to approve
Kristin Seconds
4-0-0

Next meeting will be May 19th

Kristin motions to adjourn meeting
Robert seconds.
4-0-0
Meeting adjourned at 7:00 PM.