

Town of Provincetown
Recreation Commission Meeting
REMOTE PARTICIPATION MEETING
Minutes of Wednesday, May 26th , 2021

Members Present, Robert Enos, Cathy Nagorski and Kristin Hatch

Members Absent: Heather Rogers, Michael Miller, Brandon Quesnell and David Oliver

Also in attendance: Brandon Motta, Recreation Director; Assistant Recreation Director Caroline Thompson; Heidi Bolinder from Provincetown Film Society, Glynn Hawley and Susan from PAN MASS Challenge, Diane Beruldsen from Women's International Flag Football Association and Jay Critchley from Swim for Life.

Call to order: Cathy calls meeting to order at 5:30 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- No Statement

Kristin Hatch- Wish Robert and everyone else a good memorial day weekend! Good luck to everybody.

Michael Miller- Not Present

David Oliver- Not Present

Heather Rogers- Not Present

Brandon Quesnell- Not Present

Cathy Nagorski- Gratitude for everyone attending this meeting !

3) New Business

A) PAN MASS Challenge- Glynn Hawley starts with a brief overview. 2019 was a full event, 2020 was all virtual. Looking to get back up the 50 million dollar event with a live event and extra precautions. Reduce the number of riders and decrease density. Finish at one location- Motta Field. Parties and gatherings will be eliminated. Grab n Go lunch. No busses. Encourage social distancing and hand hygiene throughout the duration of the event. With the change in the Mask Mandate- we are looking for clarity from Provincetown about Mask wearing. Did follow up with the state about our safety plan and now that state has removed covid precautions the plan is not applicable with the state at this time.

Brandon Motta speaks to the questions. The Town of Provincetown will be following Governor Baker's guidelines where masks will not be required as of May 28th. Masks will be recommended/encouraged.

Kristin Hatch asks about mask wearing inside and outdoors.

Roberts thanks Glynn and Susan for their hard work. Went through everything and really liked how they incorporated protocols such as staggered rides, less people etc. Everything looks great!

Kristin Hatch has never seen a better run event than PAN MASS. Great work for a great cause!

Cathy full disclosure has participated in the challenge and wants to make sure there is no conflict voting on the motion to approve the event. Reiterates Kristin's point about being such a great event. Asks Brandon what the fee is for the event? \$4200 impact fee.

Kristin motions to approve the PAN MASS Facility Request Form for Motta Field Event. In the event of Governor Baker's guidelines and requirements change the event will follow as well.

Robert Seconds

3-0-0

B) International Women's Flag Football Tournament-

Diane Beruldsen gives a description of the Flag Football Tournament for two days at Motta Field. Back in January they held a tournament and were able to adhere to all the guidelines at that time. With the relaxation of COVID taking place we will still be precautious and encourage masks. Masks will be provided for spectators. Temperature checks of the players will also take place. Will monitor for any updates.

Robert asks Diane a couple of questions. Are you going to be allowing people to watch the games? Is there an outlined area? Diane says yes, they encourage social distancing but did not think about the location of the spectators. Robert suggests/shares what he has seen being done. One game taking place at a time.

Kristin asks how many years- 15 years Diane says. Kristin asks if she needs to go before licensing? Diane says no it is for players not so much spectators.

Cathy suggests staggering the game times so teams are not crossing paths as often and as crowded. Cathay asks Brandon who is responsible for putting lines on the field. Brandon says to the Recreation Department. \$500 is the amount that has been going rate for the previous years.

Kristin makes a motion to approve the application

Robert Seconds

3-0-0

C) Provincetown Film Festival-

Heidi shares with the Recreation Commission about the changes the festival has made to their pop-up movie night on Motta Field.

Robert asks Heidi where they anticipate people to park their cars. Heidi shares that they have been working with the Family Equality Council and do not expect cars to be an issue. Robert suggests maybe plan ahead and anticipate more cars than they are expectating. Robert also asks about the sounds. Heidi explains there will be some amplification and FM radios.

Kristin asks about the anticipated attendance. Heidi shares that she thinks it is looking at around 200. Heidi also shares that they are planning on going before the licensing board on June 8th.

Cathy asks Brandon what the fee structure is for this event. Brandon Motta shares it is \$500 per day.

Robert motions to approve the Film Festival Application

Kristin Seconds

3-0-0

D)Swim For Life-

Jay Critchley shares his excitement for the Waterfront Park in town. Last year was difficult with COVID but they were able to do a virtual event. Hoping this year they can be more successful and bring the event back into the town. Want to swim parallel to the shore from the Harbor Hotel to the Waterfront Park. Anticipating low numbers with this specific swim. Looking to set up a tent as well at the park for the finish line and awards. Want to create a stairway to the beach or possibly rent a staircase.

Robert knows in regards to the stairway we have been working on getting something into place.

Brandon Motta shares that he is confident there will be a set of stairs by September.

Robert asks Jay how late they plan on being at 387 Commercial Street? Jay says all the swimmers would be in by 3:30 pm and over by 6pm. Last question, for the tent, what is the height? Jay does not have a height restriction.

Kristin if we have a drawing of the layout. I Think this spot is a perfect location for this event. Also asks about how many people he plans on attending and worries about an overflow to Commercial Street.

David Oliver joins the meeting at 6:25pm

David Oliver shares that he is very excited to see Jay use this facility. Agree with Kristin.

Cathy asks if the tent company has come out to do a site survey for the event? Jay says to his knowledge they have not. Cathy suggests strongly encouraging them to take a look because it is a weird surface. Cathy revisits the stairs and shares that we really want to get something in place and shares that he stays in touch with the commission to share his input when gathering future plans.

Brandon shares the Fee Schedule as \$300 per day, but with the tent being up it would be considered two days.

The Recreation Commission decides the final fee.

Kristin is convinced to do whatever Brandon Motta feels is best.

David shares that it is such a tradition and thinks they may be able to lower that fee.

Kristin makes a motion to approve the Swim for Life application for 387 Commercial Street at a one day rate of \$300.

Robert Seconds

4-0-0

E) Reorganization of Recreation Commission-

The Town Charter requires a reorganization of boards after the Annual Town Meeting.

Robert is comfortable with the way the board is set up.

Kristin motions to have Cathy as chair and Robert as Vice Chair.

David Oliver seconds

4-0-0

4) Sub Committee Reports: Votes May be Taken

- A) 387 Commercial Street Working Group Update:** First meeting with the firm that will be initiating the Community Process. Weston and Sampson will be meeting with Brandon on a weekly basis and with the Working Group every other week. Community Engagement events will take place in July and August. According to their timeline it should be done by October.

Kristin asks if any discussion has taken place about the name of the park.

Cathy says discussion has definitely taken place and is currently being addressed as the East End Waterfront Park. Looking to have the public's input when it comes to renaming it.

5) Old Business:

A) Motta Field Subcommittee Discussion-

Back to the Grant Request acknowledging having a sub-committee. Cathy wants to open up some discussion on this .

Robert recommends keeping it to eight people to make it as easy as possible because it is going to be a long process. Agrees with Brandon Q. recommendation of having two members of recreation commission on it.

The board discusses the importance of abutter's on the subcommittee since the East End Waterfront Park does not include an abutter's and there was some negative feedback from the public. Kristin feels strongly that the abutter's should be considered for the sub-committee.

Cathy asks how you choose what abutter would be on the sub-committee.

Kristin says maybe someone from Seashore Pointe could serve as both.

David Oliver agrees that Winslow St. abutter's should be included that way no one can come in and say we did not include anyone from the neighborhood.

Cathy shares the list the commission has come up with that the board agrees with

2 Recreation Commission Members
School Committee
Board of Health (per request of Brandon Motta)
Select Board
Abutter
Seashore Pointe

The board agrees that they do not need a fitness instructor/professional on the subcommittee.

Brandon Motta voices his support to have the Board of Health on the committee because this project is to increase physical and social health he would like to have them on the board.

Cathy suggests getting on the select board's agenda. Brandon M. says that a report goes to the Town Manager biweekly so an email draft would be a great start and if they need a joint meeting we can go from there.

Cathy says she has no problem drafting that email and will put this on the next agenda.

B) Review of DPW Maintenance Checklist- .

Acknowledging that this is the beginning of the season, we thought it was a good time to revisit the checklist that has been put into place for the maintenance plan.

Brandon Motta shares the schedules for the properties (irrigation, grass etc.) trying to accomplish the maintenance needs of all the facilities. DPW has done a good job keeping up with the spring tasks. Seasonal employment is a struggle for the town at the moment so the DPW is short staffed. DPW has been doing everything as asked thus far.

Robert shares that the checklists cover a lot of maintenance. Not so much an issue with any of the inspections but more the accountability of it getting done during the busy summer months. Has no problem with the form.

Cathy asks Bobby if he prefers a checklist vs a list.

Brandon Motta says it is more of a checklist and what they go by. Robert suggests maybe a daily/weekly checklist for accountability in the future.

Kristin loves the list.

David thinks it's great especially if the DPW is doing the maintenance. Down the road he echoes Kristin's thought of adding a person to maintain the facilities directly through Recreation.

Cathy shares in the event that the space is being rented out we make sure the DPW takes care of it. Like Robert said, she would like some accountability whether it be a checkmark or initials. She asks Brandon M. how he feels?

Brandon M. shares that accountability is definitely important but the DPW is not his staff. He can only assume the work is getting done and if not he goes to the operations director.

Kristin suggests other ways of being able to get maintenance help within the Recreation Department.

7) Other: none

**Cathy suggests scheduling meetings for the upcoming months.
June 16th, July 14th and August 11th.**

8) Voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of the May 19th, 2021 Recreation Commission meeting with Kristin's corrections.

Motion to adjourn, 7:25pm