

**Town of Provincetown  
Recreation Commission Meeting  
Veterans Memorial Community Center  
2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown  
Minutes of Tuesday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**

**Members Present:** David Oliver, Heather Rogers Kristin Hatch, Bobby Enos, Cathy Nagorski

**Members Absent:** Tim Downey, Brandon Quesnell

**Also in attendance:** Recreation Director, Brandon Motta; Peter Grosso, Lee White, Michael Janoplis

**Old Business:**

- A) Discussion on Lions Club application to us Motta field for their Charity parking events- Brandon- Per your request, members from the lions club are present tonight to address any concerns that the commission might have for their use of Motta field. Commission questioned the specifics on the application, specifically the liability insurance. Lions club members provided an overview of what the organization does, and how they give back to the community. Also listed the amount of donations that the recreation Department has revived over the past few years, and that ever in need of something the lions club will always be willing to help. Lions club is fully insured, assured the commission that the Lions always wait until the last car on the field is gone before they leave, and make sure all trash is picked up. David- Motion to accept the Lions club request Heather-second Voted 5-0
- B) Motta Field title- Discussion about whether the "Town" or the School Committee is on the deed at the field. School committee had always had control over it until; the high school closed and was handed over to the recreation Department. Brandon- Motta Field was acquired by the town in four adjacent parcels in different periods of time. The only language that I can find the school committee on is Parcel three, which is the most northeast corner of the field, next to seashore point. There was a town meeting article in 2007 to give authority of the approx. 3,600 sq foot parcel to the school committee. The other three transactions were given or sold to the "town of Provincetown." Brandon will confirm, and if necessary will set up a meeting with school committee.

**New Business:**

- A) Facility use fees- Brandon explains that the recreation commission can recommend fee changes to the Select board, but the resting authority is the select board. Fees were discussed and compared to town hall auditorium rental fees. Brandon expresses hi opinion that fees should stay at current level, we are trying to encourage people to use the Recreation facilities, and a hike in the fees certainly will send the wrong message. Discussion on the need for more revenue, to be able to purchase more items and use the funding for the upcoming upgrades to Motta field. Discussion was also has about the creation of a Friends of Recreation. Brandon- Rec fees are deposited to the town, and cannot be deposited into a Friends of Recreation account, now if there was interested in doing fundraisers for Recreation, I think friends of recreation would be appropriate. Commission decides to keep the current slate of fees, and directs Brandon to look into what it would entail to set up a friends of Recreation.

**Director's Report:**

- A) Assistant Directors Position- Job description is being reviewed by town Manager and will be submitted to the Union for a late January Posting.
- B) CPR class- The town is now an American Red Cross Training center, and has a instructor that can teach CPR to staff and volunteers. This cuts the cost of our seasonal training in half, due to the availability of a trainer being on site, and the only cost is the learning materials. Anyone interested from the public should talk to Brandon or Morgan Clark.
- C) Holiday Breakfast-PTA and rec sponsored event, in which the PTA fundraised enough money for every child enrolled in Provincetown schools to receive a \$20 gift card to Ace, regardless if they attend the breakfast. PTA is only charged if the card is used, so there in no wasted

money. Rec staff was on hand helping supervise children and providing some light activities in our game room.

- D) Adult Dodgeball- Will start February 5<sup>th</sup>, and be played every Tuesdays from 6-8pm in VMCC gym. The teams will be coed and there must be at least two of each sex on every team.
- E) Sports program- Struggle to find volunteer coaches gets harder each year. We have really been blessed with the great coaches in the past, but now we are finding that parents and community members are not as willing to coach because they are not familiar with the sport. This is extremely important at the younger age level, we need to be building skills and learning basic fundamentals, and that not happening. Brandon suggests looking into a company that can run an instructional program to teach kids fundamentals, and have volunteer coaches there to assist them. Brandon will look into cost of setting up a fall soccer program.

Other:

- A) Cathy- what's the status on the Police first responder event and Panmass applications? They are both requesting the same date, and we need a decision made. Brandon-Panmass is a longstanding event here in Provincetown, and gathers about 8,000 people to Provincetown. I think there needs to be some give and take by both sides. Suggests that we invite the organizers to a meeting.

Kristin makes a motion to adjourn.

Bobby seconds.

Meeting adjourned at 7:24 PM.