

**Town of Provincetown
Recreation Commission Meeting
Veterans Memorial Community Center
2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown
Minutes of Tuesday, August 19th, 2015**

Members Present: David Oliver, Carrie Notaro, Heather Rogers, Timothy Downey

Members Absent: Lori Arnott

Also in attendance: Recreation Director, Brandon Motta;

Call to order: 5:30 pm

Public comments:

A) None

New business:

A) CPA Grant Round FY 17- The department needs to explore options for the next fiscal year cpa grant round. Brandon Suggests Shade structures for vmcc, playground, there is no shade cover at this playground. Brandon will get the representative the playground from Obrien and sons to see what options there are. Another possible project would be to make a new softball diamond where the current baseball diamond is located. The baseball diamond is not used at all, and softball diamond would be better utilized where it would be closer to Winslow street. It would be used by both children and adults, where the current softball diamond does not suit adults, as the tennis courts fence are to close. All agree that shade is number one priority followed by the possible softball diamond project

Old Business:

A) VMCC Gym Roof- Contractors where on site two weeks ago to look at the repairs needed for the phase two of the replacement of VMCC roof, which includes VMCC gym. Bids will be coming in, and work is slated to begin this fall.

Director's Report:

- A) 4th of July – Parade had 23 entrants, not including fire apparatuses. Great feedback from the community, everyone was impressed with the wide variety of floats that participated. Brandon Thanks Provincetown Tourism office, Chamber of Commerce, and business guild for their assistance encouraging people to join. We look to build on this momentum and keep gaining in size for future parades.
- B) Summer Program- The department is in its 9th week of 11 week summer program. The program is seeing an average of 65 children per day, and has seen numbers in the eighties on a few days in July. We are looking to add one more special needs counselor this budget cycle, because we have a few participants in our program that require it. It has been difficult this year trying to juggle staff around to handle these children, while still maintaining the children to counselor ratio the state requires.

- C) Skate Tournament – 10th annual Provincetown Skate tournament will be on Saturday September 5th, 2015 at 11:30am, Skate park on Jerome Smith road. It will be co-sponsored with the knights of Columbus, and Board stiff will be graciously donating prizes. Please help spread the word by handing out fliers.

Assistant Director's Report:

- A) Portuguese Festival- The recreation department provided the same activities as last year, Fishing derby, Lobster crate races, and children's field games. All events were greatly attended and we got nothing but positive feedback from the festival team and community members.
- B) Afterschool Program- The recreation department will be joining forces with the school to offer more afterschool choices this fall. Along with our normal activities, afterschool program, and soccer the department will also offer art class, cooking, computer class, and open gym classes. This should offer a wide variety of activities for children afterschool.

Other: Other matters that may legally come before the board not known at the time of posting - votes may be taken. None

Tim motion to adjourn.
Second Heather
Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.