

**Town of Provincetown
Recreation Commission Meeting
Veterans Memorial Community Center
2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown
Minutes of Tuesday, January 8th, 2019**

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

Members Absent: Tim Downey, Cathy, Brandon

Also in attendance: Recreation Director, Brandon Motta;

New Business:

- A) Friends of Recreation- is a 501c3 non-profit organization which primary purpose would be to fundraise for the recreation department and host fundraising events. Cannot collect any fees associated with Recreation Department programs or events. Recreation director cannot serve on the board or be involved in fundraising.
Heather-Asks weather rec commission can serve on both Recreation commission and friends of recreation if they wanted?
Brandon-Not certain, but would find out, but asked whether anyone on the commission was interested in serving or organizing the friends of Recreation?
Heather- if it is possible to serve on both I would volunteer.
Brandon will follow up for next meeting
- B) Toddler Activities- As part of an effort to reach more people in the community the recreation department will offer two toddler programs this winter. The first will be a tumbling class, and the second will be a basketball program. We feel we should start engaging families at a earlier developmental stage. We currently only offer sports for ages 5-12, and we miss this target age group. Now with ever more increasing risk of obesity, and screen time, we are trying to get kids active in group play earlier.

Old Business:

- A) Motta field update- Meet with town manager about title to the different parcels on Motta field and directed me to check the acceptance around the title transfer date. The acceptance of the land should have been done at a town meeting or at board of selectmen's meeting. After all information is gathered Brandon recommended a discussion on the field with the school committee.
Brandon- As far as the skate park, I know this commission wants to wait until the LCP is finished this spring so we have a guideline on what the community wants at the field, but if the police station proceeds with the additional money needed, they will be looking to break ground in July, per Public Works Director. It is a good idea to start discussing a plan to have in place so that if the police station is to move forward we a direction.
Bobby- I know we have said that the logical place would be Motta field, but I am not ready just to stick in in a corner there that might impede our future plans to upgrade the facility. I mean we have said we are going to wait until the LCP is done before we choose the direction of Motta field, but if we put a skate park there before we know what the community wants seems illogical to me.
Heather- What about temporary storage or setup in another place while we are in the planning process for the field? I believe the town planner said that the VFW could be a potential temporary relocation spot, could we move it there?
Brandon- I think that's what Mr. Ribeiro mentioned, but I will have to double check with him and Public works director. But from what I gather that the commission agrees that one time or another most logical place for the skate park would be Motta field?
Commission agreed, and directed Brandon to check about the possible temporary location of the VFW.

Director's Report:

- A) Scheduled time off— At the end of the month Brandon will be missing 7 days of work, from January 24th-February 3rd. Normally we would have the assistant director in charge, but since

we still don't have one in place yet, I need to explain the coverage. I am having a most senior afterschool staff member, Chelsea Roderick take charge of all the afterschool program needs, in terms of scheduling and contacting parents. She has showed good judgment in the time here and I trust that her experience here and working at the school system will be adequate in my absence. I also have other staff in the office during the days answering phone calls and emails in my absence, so there should not be any gaps while I am away

- B) Movie night- Started movie night last Friday night, January 4th, and the first night brought 25 attendees, it's a drop off program where parents can choose from two movies being played, and parents get 2 ½ hours to themselves on a Friday night;

Kristin makes a motion to adjourn.

Bobby seconds.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 PM.