

**Town of Provincetown  
Recreation Commission Meeting  
Provincetown Community Center  
44 Bradford Street Provincetown MA 02657  
Minutes of Tuesday August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Members Present:** Treg Kaeselau, Cass Benson, Susan Cook

**Members Absent:** Bronwyn Malicoat, Carrie Notaro, Jill macara

**Also in attendance:** Recreation Director, Brandon Motta; part time assistant to the recreation Director, Elizabeth Jackett, Brian Carlson

**Call to order:** 5:30 pm

**Public Comment:** NONE

**Old Business:** None

**New Business :**

Brandon – Brian Carlson is here to talk to us about the grant the Town of Provincetown is applying for in order to purchase Suzanne’s garden.

Brian- Town meeting has approved the purchase of Suzanne’s garden, but the town is perusing a PARC grant that would provide the town with \$130,000 of the \$250,000 voters approved to purchase the land. The stipulation of the grant would be that if the town were to receive the grant, supervision and maintenance of the garden would be the recreation department responsibility.

Brandon – I have no problem with supervising the garden, but I need to ask you, who will pay for the maintenance of the garden? With all the finical struggles with the town, I do not want this taking away from other programs finically.

Brian – There is a land bank that would pay for maintenance of the garden, and Mr. Sinako has had a lot of supporters, and says that most will volunteer to help maintain the garden.

Brandon- But finically we are responsible for the garden even if there are is no money from land banks and other resources?

Brian – yes.

Treg – I feel that this is a great project to take on. I feel that it is another thing that we can say the recreation department takes on. I know that this is an finical risk, but if there is no money coming from the land banks, then we need to ask for more money during the budgeting process.

Cass – I agree with treg, I believe this would be good for the department.

Susan- Although I think it is a good Idea to take this on, I think that there is way too much unknowns in this. We can’t rely on a secure source of money for maintenance, and no structural maintenance plan. If there is no money, then were will it come from? I am just worried about the finical responsibilities that come with the garden.

Brandon- Well if you do agree to take responsibility, then I will make sure that there is a proper maintenance plan, and if there is no money left in land banks we will have to ask for more money to maintain the garden.

Voted 2-1 to accept the responsibility if the Town of Provincetown receives the grant for Suzanne's garden.

**Minutes:** Reviewed and accepted as written. Moved by Jill, Second by Cass

**Motion to adjourn:** Cass, Second by Susan. Unanimous.

**Meeting adjourned:** 6:00pm