

**Recreation Commission  
Minutes from March 17, 2015 meeting  
5:30pm Truro Community Center**

**Called to order:** 5:30pm

**In Attendance:** Kelly Sullivan-Clark, Rebecca Townsend, Michael Silva, Jackson Dutra and Jane Petterson

**Director's Report:** See attached

**Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting:** Approved

**CPC Project Update/Next Steps:** After research and additional mapping by Mike from Weston and Sampson, as well as field studies regarding the well area, MESA findings, endangered species and conservation easements, the consensus was made that the Community Center would not be a viable location for the placement of tennis courts and that the group will now focus our attention on Snow's Field. Mike from W&S provided us with plans for both one court and two courts at Snow's, as well as a plan for a walking path around the field and cost analysis for two different types of surfacing on the paths as well as a first draft of a cost breakdown. As of now, there seems to be no apparent issues with MESA, wells, endangered species, etc., at Snow's Field. Mike is also looking in to any set-backs that we need to allow for as well as creating additional parking, fencing, clearing, loaming and seeding of the field. We will go over this at the next meeting in detail with the anticipation of a public hearing possibly the first week in May.

**Fees for FY2016:** The BOS again mentioned a possibility of raising the summer rec fees for this summer. Kelly feels that it is definitely too late for this summer. Jane mentioned that she would speak with Paul Witsosky (the Rec Com BOS liaison) to come to our next meeting to discuss.

**New Business:** Jane Petterson was nominated by Rebecca Townsend to become the next Chairperson of the Recreation Commission. Michael Silva seconded the nomination. All approved. Rachel Harrington is now a new member and will be able to attend our next meeting on April 9, 2015 at 5:30.

**Meeting Adjourned:** 6:15



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## DEPARTMENT REPORT

**To:** Truro Recreation Commission  
**From:** Kelly Clark, Recreation & Beach Director  
**Date:** March 16, 2015  
**Subject:** Director's Report—March 2015

Dear Members of the Commission,

Below please find my report for the Truro Recreation Department:

### RECREATION

Youth Basketball and Cheer—Youth Basketball and cheer are wrapping up. The Billingsgate Tournament is being held this weekend and team sign up was optional. We continued to use Arbiter Sports to help us schedule referees so we were able to secure all patched referees for the entire season. The cheerleaders worked very hard under the leadership of Lisa Meads, who has done a great job taking over the team this year.

Pamet After-School—Pamet After-School is averaging just over 10 children per day. March's theme is "Lights, Camera, Action" and the children are writing, acting, directing, and filming their own movie. They have been practicing and working very hard and we are eager to see the final product. Music lessons with Austin have wrapped up for the year. Gardening will be picking up again in April.

Building Use—Attached please find the March building use schedule.

Summer Planning—Summer planning is ongoing. Letters were sent out to last year's staff inviting them back for the summer of 2015 and we have heard back from about a third of the staff so far. We are not anticipating a large turnover this year at this point. I met with Ruth Campbell from Summer Food For Kids and we will again be sponsored by the Church of the Holy Spirit in Orleans so that we can have the program at our Summer Youth Program. Additionally, summer calendars are beginning to be plotted out, t-shirt designs are being discussed and procedures are being reviewed. Planning will be kicking into high gear in the next couple of months.

Grants—I recently worked with Sustainable C.A.P.E. to submit a collaborative grant that would help to pay for our Truro Children's Community Garden and to add some fresh local produce to our Summer Food For Kids program. We should receive a response to our proposal in 6 weeks.

Walking/Hiking Club—Bob Lowe has continued walking March despite the colder weather and the snow. The Walking/ Hiking Club continues to run free of charge and no pre-registration is required.

Fitness Classes—Adult fitness and wellness classes continue this winter. Zumba continues to be popular and we have added Adult Pickleball to our lineup. Pickleball is free and operates on Monday evenings and Saturday mornings. We are also helping to host an open gym for the Coast Guard. We are currently seeking dance, Pilates, or other wellness/fitness instructors for the fall. Instructors are invited to contact the Truro Recreation Department. Additionally, we are considering the need and potential use of portable mirrors that may help us provide a wider variety of programming.

Town Meeting Childcare—We will again be offering childcare during Town Meeting. This year Town Meeting will be held at the Truro Central School so childcare will be in the cafeteria at Truro Central School.

Spring Youth Sports—We are currently accepting registrations for the Youth Softball and Tee Ball programs for the 2015 season. We are still looking for some coaches for the upcoming season. Volunteers are encouraged to contact the Recreation Department if interested. We will be ordering uniforms in the coming weeks. Enrollment is pretty low at this point and registration closes next week so we will be doing one last advertising push to remind participants to sign up.

April School Vacation Program—April School Vacation Week programming is being finalized and registration opened last Friday. We will have a pool party at Top Mast again this year and other activities will include Under the Sea

day, a Patriots Party, and Earth Day. We are eager to add teen programming this vacation so we have set up free Zumba for Teens on Thursday April 23 and we are working to schedule a "Glowga" event and floor hockey.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions, suggestions, concerns or feedback for the Department.

Sincerely,

Kelly Sullivan Clark