

## Swampscott Recreation Commission

Tuesday, May 8th; Town Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor

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Danielle Strauss, Recreation Director  
Lyudmila Sutherland, Chair  
Katie Katzman, Secretary  
Janell Cameron  
Joan Ferraro  
Brian Sutherland (Interested member)

Meeting began and ran with a quorum.

### ● Recreation Commission Members

The commission has run without a quorum for many months. Janell asked if Brian could become a full member of the commission since the bylaw changed to allow multiple members from single precincts. Lyuda said she will follow up with selectmen as members must be appointed. Danielle may do an email blast to look for additional members as well. The commission can have 7 members.

### ● Harborfest

Scheduled for June 16. Rain led to reduced turnout last year so there will be a June 17 rain date if needed. There will be a meeting May 18 to organize. Why Not Fishing, BBQ, Pirate/ Mermaid Breakfast planned. The YMCA, Swampscott Yacht Club and Swampscott High School seniors will be involved. The Rotary will do a duct tape regatta and pirate bounce house.

### ● Town Events

Danielle shared that a new application is being used for people to participate in events such as the Strawberry Festival.

- Strawberry Festival & 4th of July Parade

Festival is scheduled for July 1 at 3 p.m.

Selectwoman Naomi Dreeben suggested shortening the parade route this year to begin at Blocksidge Field. Rec. members were concerned residents living between Shirat Hyam (the old starting point) to the field would need to be notified. Dreeben said the town can notify residents of the change prior to the parade via robocall.

- Summer Hiring

Danielle is hiring for a park supervisor position as well as an assistant for the summer. The person will help run events, coordinate, check in on lifeguards and help with movie nights and concerts.

- Summer Movie Nights and Concerts

Three Thursday movie nights are planned. Movies are TBD. There will be 5 concerts. The committee is looking to hire a country band to be included in schedule.

- Pickleball

One tennis court at the middle school will be turned into a pickle ball court this summer.

- Farmers' Market

The market will begin June 10 on Town Hall lawn.

Next Meeting will be Tuesday, June 5, 2018, at Town Hall at 7 pm.  
Meeting was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.  
Minutes by Katie Katzman