

Mount Kisco Recreation Commission
ZOOM Meeting Minutes – February 10, 2021

Attendance: {check all present}

Linda Cindrich _x_ Kathy Feeney _x_ Christy McGinn _ab_
Eileen Polese _ab_ Kim Terlizzi _x_ Gallo Trujillo _x_ Bob Byrns _x_
George Price _ex_
Leonard Park Committee: None
Other:None
Meeting called to order @ 7:01pm

Minutes of Meeting: Review minutes of January 13, 2021(enclosed)

Motion to accept minutes by: Linda Cindrich.

Seconded by: Bob Byrns.

All in favor.

Superintendent's Report:

⇒ **Review of Income and Expenses (enclosed):**

Kyle reported that there is some revenue because of the upcoming basketball clinic. Expenses continue as there are necessary bills and purchases.

Camp Update

Kyle sent the commission the camp info with dates, and fees, etc. The Village Manager wanted to look over the camp proposal. The Village Manager thought that the fee might be too high. The price for camp would be for 7 weeks from 8:30-3:30. Waiting to hear back from the Village Manager. Registration for Spring/Summer including Camp Iroquois is to begin on March 9th. Camp registration is to be done in person only as there are a lot of paperwork that needs to be filled out and completed before we can accept the registration and campers according to Board of Health requirements. George Price is working on completing all camp forms. Kyle wants to make this camp successful and not run as a deficient. Kyle has experienced camps running not at a loss and it can be done. With Kyle and George keeping a watchful eye on all expenditures he is hopeful that this will be done. Kyle explained that the proper ratios of staff per camper will be met. He is relaying on George to manage this issue. No Tot Camp and Teen Travel Camp. This is not possible because of social distancing and all the necessary safety precautions. Kyle is offering Camp Iroquois for 7th graders and possibly to 8th graders. At registration time, March 9th, he will take campers up to 7th grade. If there is still room in the program he will then open up camp to 8th graders at the "Early Bird" Registration fee of \$925. Linda asked if camp would look the same as it did in 2020. Kyle stated that he wants camp to feel like a regular camp, with specials, and entertainers, etc. He wants camp not to look like a babysitting service. Linda was very much in agreement. Linda questioned about the early drop off and the late pick-up.

Superintendent's Report cont....:

Kyle stated that it is possible but because of the children being placed in a “pod” one of the counselors from the full day camp group would have to stay which would be an added staff expense. He is looking into some programs to run after camp to extend the day for parents who need that option. Linda stated that she thinks that there is a need for the after camp care. Kyle stated that on Rain Days camp will be canceled. He would like to alert parents the day before camp so parents can make other arrangements. Linda asked what happens if it rains during camp. He stated that it would depend on the number of campers how it will be handled.

Pool Update

Kyle reported that he has about 90% of lifeguards returning and about 60% of the receptionists returning. He stated that no one had any questions about the pool fees, dates or times. He also states that the times can always be increased as we get closer to the pool season opening. He is concerned about the 8 hour max. number of hours a staff member can work, as not to pay overtime or have any Department of Labor issues. Linda asked who will be responsible for opening the pool. He stated that there has not been a resolution on how this will be handled budgetary, but he has contacted a local pool company and requested a proposal. Kyle would like to train someone in DPW to do this and maintain the chemicals etc. He also stated that the pools are over 35 years old and there continues to be issue regarding leaks in the pools. He is speaking with a pool specialist who the village has worked with in the past, who has not been to the facility in a few years to bring him back to assess the leaks. Kyle has gotten suggestions on some possible resolutions to some issues. Kathy asked about which pool was fixed in the last year - dive pool. He explained that the gutter systems would alleviate the water loss issues and that he is looking into that.

⇒ Parks Update

Kyle stated the maintenance full time staff are trying to keep up with the snow. Linda stated that she has spoken with Ken Famulare, Assistant Village Manager, about the amount of ice on the pond, which is about 5-6 inches, so as to have ice skating. Kyle stated that there is a problem with removing the snow from the pond without having a safety issue. Linda stated that in years past the fire department would flood the pond so we could have ice skating. Kyle said that he would contact them to see if this is possible.

⇒ Program Update

George Price, is running basketball programs for multi grades next week. Kyle reported that the numbers are “ok” . Bob Byrns through MKLL ran a Winter Baseball Clinic, which had a max. of 15 and the program was very successful.

Superintendent's Report cont....:

⇒ Brochure Update

Kyle reported that the brochure is almost done just making the final edits. He is hopeful to have it online by Tuesday. Registration for spring/summer programs will begin on March 9th.

⇒ Registration

Kyle stated that all registration will be done through Community Pass.

Old/Unfinished Business:

⇒ Grant Money Playground Update

Kyle stated that he spoke with administration and the money from the grant for the Tennis Courts/Playground had to be used at one time so that is why all the grant money was used for the Tennis Courts. The reason for that is because at that time that was the only project that was moving forward. Kyle stated that there is about \$13,000 in a T account at this time. Mostly from the Food Truck Event in 2019. Linda asked about the Recreation Account, which is an account set up so anyone/business building in Mount Kisco that they would have to contribute to Mount Kisco Recreation Department. Linda suggested to ask the Village Manager about that revenue that was ere marked for Recreation. Kim questioned if we ever spent any of that money. Linda questioned if there is any grant money that recreation would be entitled to. Bob Byrns said he would look into it for Rec. Linda said that she will reach out to politicians to see if they could help Mount Kisco Recreation achieve grants or donations.

⇒ ***New Business:***

Proposed Budget Fiscal Year 2021-2022(see attached)

Kyle has met with the Village Manager about the Rec. budget and everything is similar to last year's budget. Kyle is pleased on how the meeting went.

Recreation Assistant Positon

Linda stated that in order for rec. to move forward the department needs to have another staff member. Kyle would like to have a programmer/night person/building manager. He needs someone to help facilitate with programs. A Part time, Spanish speaking liaison that could reach the Spanish speaking population along with programming experience and supervise the Complex at night. Kyle wants a rec. professional to do the later hours 2:00-10:00pm for instance.

⇒ *New Business cont...:*

Kyle thinks that the department needs a programmer and change the image of the rec. department to be all inclusive for all. Kim stated that it is important to make sure that recreation is the priority. Bob stated that in the past we did have programs that were held at night. Bob suggested to Kyle to come up with a job description of what is really needed for recreation.

Linda stated the most importantly is that we need a rec. assistant that can help all the different communities. A person who has a background on programs, building and possible knowledge in pools. Linda stated that the Commission is here to support the Superintendent of Recreation and they are here to help the department in any type of support that is needed.

Kyle stated that he is experiencing the same issues as with his predecessors. His issue at this time is to replace the gym floor at a cost of \$75,000 to \$80,000 because in some areas of the gym the floor is faulty. Kathy asked about the type of flooring. Kyle would like to have a wood floor. Bob suggested also replacing the basketball backboards with fiberglass.

⇒ *Open Discussion:*

None

Good and Welfare: None

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by: Kim Terlizzi.

Seconded by: Bob.

All in favor.

Respectively submitted by: Gail Hall

Date: 2/10/2021

Time: 7:45pm

Next scheduled ZOOM Meeting: Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION