

Mount Kisco Recreation Commission
ZOOM Meeting Minutes – June 9, 2021

Attendance: {check all present}

Linda Cindrich ab Kathy Feeney ab Christy McGinn x
Eileen Polese x Kim Terlizzi x Gallo Trujillo x Bob Byrns x
Kyle Thornton x

Leonard Park Committee:

Other: None

Meeting called to order @ 7:05pm

Minutes of Meeting: Review minutes of May 12, 2021(enclosed)

Motion to accept minutes by Christy McGinn.

Seconded by Bob Byrns.

All in favor.

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

Kyle reported that we just started the new budget year 2021-2022. All of the budget was not spent for the 2020-2021 budget year. Kyle stated that he wants to use all the money allocated to Recreation for the 2021-2022 Fiscal Year.

Superintendent's Report:

⇒ Pool Update

The pool is opened weather permitting. The pool hours currently are Thursday and Friday, 3:00-7:00 and on Saturday and Sunday 12:00-7:00. Kyle reported that the past weekend the pool was busy. There was an emergency over the weekend where someone fainted and EMS was called. On Sunday, the Fire Department showed up because of a silent Fire Alarm that was set off from the Snack Bar. Kim asked if Kyle was there when both of the alarms went off. Kyle stated that he was there on Sunday earlier in the day because a burglar alarm went off at the Fox Center. Kyle reported that not sure why the Snack Bar Alarm went off, nothing was beeping or flashing. Kyle reported that we are still not selling many Pool Permits. People are going to the pool paying the Walk-in fee.

To date Resident Pool Permits:

Youth- 19 Adult -5 Sr. -23 Family-30

Kyle stated that he opened up sales to Bedford Central School District for Youth and Family only because the children in Mt. Kisco want to go to camp and join the Swim/Dive Team with their friends. You cannot join the Swim Team if you don't have a pool permit. Swim and Dive Team starts tomorrow, there is 21 swimmers and divers registered at this date. Kyle is hopeful to have 40-50 enrolled. The Swim Coach Kristen Mannion, has been sending out emails and trying to get more people interested in the program.

Superintendent's Report:

⇒ Camp Update

Kyle reported that there are 150 campers enrolled in Camp Iroquois to date. This camp is a 7 week only camp. He compared enrollments from recent previous years. In past years, we had enrollment for Session I, Session II and for both sessions. Kyle thinks keeping the fees down has a lot to do with the number of camp registrations. Kyle's goal is to grow the camp and have a max number of 250.

2021 Camp Iroquois to date will have 7 pods. The Kindergarten Group is the only mixed gender group. No pod as of this date has more than 24 campers, which means 3 counselors per group. Eileen wanted to know if we still need counselors, because she received the email blast about needing counselors. The question was raised if we don't have the necessary counselors, what will happen.

Kyle stated that we still need more help and that we could discuss in a closed session. Kyle encouraged the Commission that if they know of anyone to let them know that we are hiring. Christy suggested to contact the local high school guidance department. Kyle stated that George did contact them just today. Christy wanted to know the hours of camp and Kyle stated that he extended camp from 9:00-3:00 to 8:30am -3:30pm this year with no Early Morning Club, Extended Day or ½ Day Camp.

⇒ Parks Update

Kyle stated that the Rec. Department has hired a 2nd part time park grounds man. There is a lot of work that needs to be done on a regular basis to maintain the fields, and all the grassy areas in the park including the pool area. The softball sump pump that was fixed broke again. Kyle stated that there is a back order of sump pumps. He ordered the pump almost a month ago. Kyle stated that he and Bob have gotten a lot of complaints on the conditions of the baseball fields.

At times the fields have to be hand raked before equipment can be used on the field. Kyle stated that finally after speaking with DPW, Assistant Village Manager, Village Manager, Village Engineer etc. they are in agreement for the need to put in some sidewalks in the park to make it safer for everyone. Christy suggested to make a lap walkway.

⇒ Open Rec. Position Update

Kyle was happy to announce that Jose, the new Rec. Attendant is starting on Monday, June 14th. His hours to start are 12:00-8:00pm to help pick up anything after the pool closes at 7:00pm and to make sure the building is secure.

Superintendent's Report cont....:

⇒ Brochure

Kyle has directed his staff to start working on the Fall/Winter 2021 Brochure. He has a tentative date of August 30th to start registration and the deadline to have the brochure online is August 12th. Kyle stated that he is not sure if there will be a paper brochure. Looking into sending a postcard mailer to every house to let everyone know where to find the information online in English and Spanish and also a quick link, would be helpful.

Old/Unfinished Business:

⇒ Concerts

All 3 concerts are booked. The information about the concerts has been posted on Facebook and will be e-blasted on CommunityPass.net

Concerts

July 8 – Jordelli Entertainments

July 22 - Brace for Impact

August 5- First Class Band

Kyle is also looking into hosting an event at 333 N. Bedford Road in the fall. It was suggested by Christy to have a 50/50 Raffle at the concerts to help raise money.

Kyle stated that he reached out to the Leonard Park Committee and they don't want to meet until everyone feels safe. Christy asked if they were willing to meet online/zoom. Kim stated that if they didn't want to meet that a return deadline should be set and if they are not ready to meet by that date then the Committee must get new people.

New Business:

⇒ In person meetings

Kyle reported that the Village is leaving it up to the Commission whether they want to go back to in person meetings or continue with zoom meetings. Kim suggested waiting for the July meeting to make a decision to meet in person.

⇒ Pool Guest Passes

Kyle stated that he has been getting a lot of questions regarding guest passes. Kyle is concerned about the social distancing and keeping everyone safe. So he is waiting on the governing bodies to make a decision in the near future. Kyle will put together some language/wordage for bringing in guests to the pool and email it out to the commission for comments and approval.

New Business cont.....:

Open Discussion:

Christy suggested to look to Lewisboro for ideas on what they are doing to fundraise for the park. Kim stated that we would be able to have food trucks at the park and the reason that the Food Truck Festival was not the park was by choice. Christy asked the question about having a food truck and a conflict with the concession stand. Would that be a problem with the concessionaire agreement? Kyle stated that the concession cannot be open during swim meets. Christy will reach out to the food trucks that she has been working with a local school. Bob suggested to advertise about the upcoming concerts along with the information that there will be food trucks there. Bob questioned about the fee associated with booking the food trucks. He suggested a percentage of the amount that they sell. Christy will contact the vendors to get ideas. Kyle is concerned about the Village Board approval for the food trucks. Christy would like to revisit hosting the Food Truck Festival. Kyle will put it on the agenda for July.

Good and Welfare: None

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by: Kim

Seconded by : Bob

All in favor.

Respectively submitted by: Gail Hall

Date: 6/9/2021

Time: 7:45pm

Next scheduled ZOOM meeting: Wednesday, July14, 2021 at 7:00 pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION