

**Mount Kisco Recreation Commission**  
**ZOOM Meeting Minutes – November 18, 2020**

**Attendance: {check all present}**

Linda Cindrich \_x\_    Kathy Feeney \_x\_    Christy McGinn \_ab\_  
Eileen Polese \_x\_    Kim Terlizzi \_x\_    Gallo Trujillo \_x\_    Bob Byrns \_x\_  
George Price \_ab\_  
Leonard Park Committee: None  
Other: Ken Famulare, Assistant Village Manager  
Meeting called to order @7:05pm

**Minutes of Meeting: Review minutes of October 14, 2020(enclosed)**

Motion to accept minutes by Kim Terlizzi.

Seconded by Bob Byrns.

All in favor.

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

Not discussed.

**Superintendent's Report:**

⇒ Leonard Park Update

Ken reported that the East of Hudson project is 90% complete and that the driveway leading into the park has improved greatly compared to before. Most of the digging is completed and no other major work is scheduled to be done. Completion in a couple of weeks. About a week ago, there was an abandoned car on the grass. Police were called and the car was towed. Linda questioned if any charges were filed with the police department and Ken said that he would follow up with the officer in charge of that situation. Ken reported that there is a part time employee who has been working with Wayne and Nick and his parent tested positive for Covid-19 so that person is quarantining for 14 days . Wayne and Nick have been quarantining and they were tested on Monday and should have the results back between 3 to 5 days. Joe Luppino has sent DPW workers to the park to pick up the trash and they would take care of any major issues at that time. The workers out quarantining will not be charged because FMLA gives workers 80 hours of Covid related circumstances. Just waiting on the test results

***Superintendent's Report cont....:***

⇒ Recreation Events-Pumpkin Decorating, Scarecrow Contest-Drive-In  
South Moger Avenue was shut down to give the kids some candy and pumpkin carving all while maintaining social distancing. This event was co-sponsored with the Chamber. All feedback was positive. Ken is hopeful that the new Superintendent, Kyle Thornton, will be handling activities like this for the residents of Mt. Kisco. Socially distinct, Covid friendly events for our residents. The events that were offered filled up quickly. There were 2 Drive-In movies on Halloween, Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>. 1 for a younger crowd and 1 for an older crowd. Ken is speaking with the Chamber about doing Christmas related activities that will keep everyone safe during this pandemic time. Bob stated that he received an email about the Combined Children's Holiday Party at the Legion on December 12. Ken stated that there are a lot of concerns regarding this event.

Kathy asked who sent the information regarding the event. Bob said that he thought it was sent by recreation, but the rec. office did not send out this information. Linda stated that the seniors have a number of activities that Liz is trying to do. Activities must be more than 6 feet apart with a max number of 10. As of now they are offering in person and virtual programs. Ken reported that the Fox Center plumbing has been redone to make the bathrooms hands free so as to limit contact. The air filters at the center have been upgraded for better air quality. Ken stated that the Village plans to make these changes to the library and also to the Memorial Complex and in that order.

⇒ Participation Report  
Not discussed

***Old/Unfinished Business:***

Pool

Linda questioned about the status of the work that was to be completed at the pool. Ken reported no problems reported with the Norburto's' job at the dive pool. Pool management reported that the Main Pool seemed to be having the same issued that the dive pool did.

***New Business:***

⇒ Recreation Superintendent Position

Ken stated that Kyle Thornton, has accepted the roll as Superintendent of Recreation. He has given his notice to Yorktown that he has accepted the job with Mt. Kisco. He will be starting before the new year, 2021. Ken stated that he has spoken to Gail, Liz, and George about him starting. Linda stated that he has experience in all areas of recreation. He has experience with social media which is extremely needed. Linda wants programs taught in-house instead of being outsourced. Linda is scheduling a meeting with the Commission to meet Kyle on December 9 via zoom.

***New Business cont...***

⇒ Camp Iroquois/Dates/Weeks etc.

Ken stated that the camp is more challenging than the pool. Westchester County posts the guidelines for camps. Moving forward the camp would enforce social distancing, and the ratio of campers to staff, just to name a few guidelines for grades K-8<sup>th</sup>. Hopefully Kyle can work with George Price to get this done. It is a challenge to get 6<sup>th</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> graders in some type of camp. Recreation should be able to come up with something for this group of children. Ken suggested, outdoors activities, sports, virtual games, etc. for this group. The staff have to be more in tuned with this age group and their issues. Linda suggested a committee of kids for their input and what they would like to do or what they want. Linda questioned whether there was going to be a breakfast club and extended day offered for the 2021 summer camp session. Ken suggested to speak with George. Early drop off and extended day are both things that the residents have signed up for in the past.

⇒ Memorial Pool Opening Dates/Fees

Linda suggested to leave the fees the same as last year. Ken reported that the pool 2020 season was 73 days long. Ken would like to open the pool for The Memorial Day weekend, and if so, the pool would be open for 99 days instead of the 73 days that it was open because of Covid and a late start. Keep in mind that no staff member should work more than a 7 to 8 hour shift, and if shifts were split staff may not want to work if they can't make the money. Whatever is worked out the Village must be compliant with Labor Law Act. Ken wants the commission to think about extending hours from 12:00pm-6:00pm to 12:00pm-7:00pm. Bob suggested opening the pool at 1:00pm instead 12:00pm. Ken is going to look at the data to see if the people coming to the pool came at 12:00pm or more came at 1:00pm.

⇒ ***Open Discussion:***

***Good and Welfare:*** Happy Thanksgiving

***Adjournment:*** Motion to adjourn by: Kathy.

Seconded by: Kim .

All in favor.

Respectively submitted by: Gail Hall

Date: 11/18/2020

Next scheduled ZOOM Meeting: Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 7:00 pm