

**Mount Kisco Recreation Commission**  
**ZOOM Meeting Minutes – October 13, 2021**

***Attendance: {check all present}***

Linda Cindrich \_x\_   Kathy Feeney \_\_ab\_   Christy McGinn \_\_x\_  
Eileen Polese \_\_ab\_   Kim Terlizzi \_\_ab\_   Gallo Trujillo \_\_x\_   Bob Byrns \_\_x\_  
Kyle Thornton \_\_x\_  
Leonard Park Committee: None  
Other: None

Meeting called to order @ 7:01pm

***Minutes of Meeting: Review minutes of September 4, 2021(enclosed)***

Motion to accept minutes by Linda Cindrich.

Seconded by Gallo Trujillo.

All in favor.

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

Kyle reported that we have been saving a little bit of money because recreation has been getting some projects done thru the Capital Budget. Revenue has been trickling in thru Open Gyms that have started.

***Superintendent's Report:***

⇒ Camp

Kyle reported the revenue was just over \$152,000. with 161 campers registered. Salaries were on the low end because we lost a lot of staff the last 2 weeks of camp. We spent just over \$113,000. Had everyone been there salaries would have been around \$140,000. Some additional expenses, for example, refrigerator for the camp and entertainment for the camp for a total of about 4 to 5 thousand dollars. Kyle was pleased with how camp ended up. Kyle proposed the question on how the commission would like to have the camp run for the 2022 season. Suggestion: 7 week program, or first session 3 weeks and a second session 4 weeks. Linda wanted to know how many weeks camp ran for the 2021 season. Kyle and George will work on a proposal for fees for the upcoming season. Kyle would like the camp to get back to normal prior to the pandemic, with trips, entertainment etc. Bob suggested making the first session 4 weeks and the second session 3 weeks. So people can go on vacation in August. Bob also stated that baseball is over by that time. Linda is in agreement. Kyle suggested not having an early drop off because staff cannot work more than 8 hours without paying overtime.

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

### ⇒ Pool Update

Kyle stated that the revenue for the pool was about \$60,000, which included all pool passes (Youth, Adult, Sr. Family) and included; Daily Walk-In, Swim Team, Mt. Kisco Day Care Pool Rental and the Concession Stand. Expenses for the pool was more than double the revenue. Staff salaries equated to \$105,000. Kyle spoke with residents and asked why they were not coming to the pool. Residents stated that the bottom of the main pool is yellow and looks dirty. The pool is slated to be resurfaced after the 2022 Pool Season, so Kyle suggested having a company come in and acid wash the pool. He also suggested just painting the bottom blue just for the season because it will have a clean beautiful appearance and it could be done in-house. Kyle compared pool fees of other communities and Mt. Kisco. He feels that Mt. Kisco is higher in most categories. Linda suggested to drop the price of the youth pass for children attending Camp Iroquois. Bob suggested having campers pay a reduced Family Pass to try and boost passes, only 39 Family Passes were sold for 2021 season. Linda asked Kyle to work up some reasonable fee schedule for the 2022 season. Bob suggested doing some special offers to help promote pool pass sale. He said that he could help with some marketing ideas to help promote the pool. Kyle reported that he was approved for 6 new lifeguard chairs and the expense will come out of the Capital Budget.

### ⇒ Parks Update

Kyle stated that East of Hudson Project is close to be completed; the only job left to do is crossing the road from the Hardball Field to the Playground area. The project foreman completion projection is to be out of the park by the end of October. Kyle stated that there needs to be an inspection of the park prior to them leaving so they don't leave the park a mess as they have done in the past. Bob questioned if East of Hudson was going to level off areas that were dug up to make it safe for all. Kyle stated that he is trying to beautify the park, remove dead trees, clean up around the Teahouse, clean out the planters etc. Jose our newest employee is a landscaper by trade and is working on doing that. Administration requested from Kyle some ideas for playground equipment which he sent them.

### ⇒ Program Reports

Kyle reported that fall programs are underway. We currently have 15 programs running which includes 2 open gyms. The women's open gym was canceled due to lack of participants. Kyle stated that over 24 men show up for Men's Open Gym. Kyle reported that he has 12 signed up for the Merchant Scarecrow Contest.

***Old/Unfinished Business:***

⇒ Dogs in Playground

Linda stated that she doesn't think that there should be dogs in the playground they are allowed on a leash in other parts of the park but not in the playground. One sign at each end of the playground stating no dogs in the park. Kyle will have 3 signs "No Dogs Allowed in Playground "made up for the playground area.

⇒ Open Rec. Position Update

Kyle stated that this position was put on hold while finding the right civil service title for the position, but this position needs to be filled. Kyle has been helping Liz at the Senior Center.

⇒ Pool Hours

Kyle reported that he thought that the pool hours for the 2021 worked out well for the staff, people coming to the pool and overall all around. He is proposing keeping the pools for 2022 the same as the 2021 season; 12:00-7:00pm every day. Bob is in agreement and thought that schedule worked well.

***New Business:***

⇒ First Responders Discount

Kyle has not heard back from Ed Brancati, Village Manager, regarding this discount proposal. Ed proposed a 50% discount on all rec. fees. Kyle stated to Ed that it would only be for in-house fees, pool, camp or any programs that the rec. runs. First Responders would be only; Fire and Ambulance only. Linda suggested a 30% discount instead of the 50%. Kyle would need a list of eligible fire and ambulance members.

Christy suggested having some special events in the park. Kyle stated that he is trying to get some small local bands to perform. He would like to offer pool parties. Linda suggested bring programs into the pool, example water aerobics, water ballet, water polo etc.

***Open Discussion:***

***Good and Welfare:***

***Adjournment:*** Motion to adjourn by : Linda

Seconded by: Bob

All in favor.

Respectively submitted by: Gail Hall

Date: 10/13/2021

Time: 7:51pm

Next scheduled ZOOM meeting: Wednesday, November 10, 2021 at 7:00 pm

INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION