

MOUNTAIN LAKES RECREATION COMMISSION
Minutes for November 17, 2020
7:30 Virtual Zoom

Present:

- Recreation Director: Karen Brennfleck
- Chair: David Keyt
- Board of Education Liaison: Richard Mancuso
- Commissioners: Heather Prince-Hornby, Beth Gellert, Shaun Lehrer, Joe Scura, Gary Reznick

Absent: Cynthia Korman (Town Council Liaison), Michael Esposito, Ina Rose, Lydia Cipriani Spoto

1. Review of October meeting minutes
 - Correction of name spelling within minutes. Should be Alessandra Zorlas
2. Review of Borough Facility priorities
 - Drafted leveraging Board of Education's facility priorities
 - General consensus that looks good, Karen will have borough attorney review
3. Volunteer youth coaches – review of annual requirements
 - Criminal background/fingerprinting, Rutgers safety and online training required
 - Some commission members questioned whether all of the requirements are required annually (or if some are one-time requirements at onset of coaching experience). Karen confirming.
 - Commission members posed additional ideas for requirements we may want to consider (not necessary for insurance but worth considering)
 - Concussion (Heads Up)
 - CPR
 - More thorough background tests (that Identico may not cover). Joe Scura/Karen will follow-up on this with Borough attorney.
4. Christmas tree and menorah events
 - Because religious gathering, no number limit but will take COVID precautions such as no food, crafts, tables, choral gathering (unless can figure out safe way to do it), Santa visit from afar (wave vs. children interact)
 - Christmas tree lighting on 12/6 – Gary, Heather, David volunteered to help
 - Menorah tree lighting on 12/13 – Beth, Shaun volunteered to help
5. Youth Sports Cancellations
 - Cancelled ski club -at Mountain Creek not happening. Camelback not allowing interstate youth sports.
 - Rec Basketball not likely (but some groups have done some informal sign-ups for club programs)

6. Beach budget high-level review. Some ideas discussed:
 - Extending hours of beach attendants to 7pm (to help mitigate out-of-town people showing up at 6pm)
 - Guest badges possibly to be sold again (pending COVID situation). Discussion on how to sell guest badges:
 - i. General consensus that selling at Borough Hall (sell ahead of time) is better to allow lifeguards to focus on beaches; Possibly increase them by a dollar or two
 - Selling tennis FOBs again within next week. Access to tennis courts will be activated starting January 1st. Beth mentioned experience of tennis players trying to hand-remove leaves off courts as they weren't playable. Karen also will look into brush to sweep off leaves from tennis courts (for use when they haven't been recently blown)

7. Laker 55 events:
 - Khizar Sheikh presenting in upcoming meeting
 - Gary/Shawn considering social security talk
 - Some discussion about local chef/nutritionalist doing Zoom baking/cooking event with seniors.

8. New members (to fill Beth and Mike's spots)
 - A few potential members discussed
 - Commission members will come to next meeting with some names/ideas for potential members.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30