

Mountain Lakes Recreation Committee
Minutes for 10/20/2020
7:30PM -- Virtual Zoom Meeting

Present: Recreation Director – Karen Brennfleck, Chair – David Keyt, Commissioners - Cynthia Korman, Beth Gellert, Lydia Cipriani, Shaun Lehrer, Joe Scura, Ina Rose, Heather Prince

Absent: Gary Reznick, Michael Esposito

- 1) Review of September Meeting Minutes
 - a. Amend minutes to include Laker 55 related items

- 2) Facility Usage Guidelines
 - a. Applicable to new Island Beach pavilion and change for all fields/beaches
 - b. Those residents with a reservation will have priority of facility
 - c. Upon reservation, confirmation of permit and copy of guidelines provided
 - d. Policy remains, first come first serve and cannot ask individuals to leave premise
 - e. In-town groups (i.e. Sports Groups, Women’s Network, etc), residents, Home & School Association are able to make reservations; Company led camps are able to request facility usage with a collected fee; residents maintain priority
 - f. Residents need to provide copy of Homeowners insurance (copy of page 1) for Facility usage permit to be issued

- 3) Facility Use
 - a. List of people and groups approved to use the facility
 - b. Standards will be reviewed
 - c. Discussion postponed until next week after reviewed

- 4) Racks & Rings
 - a. Discussion of shared city bikes for paddle boards (i.e. reduce demand for paddleboard storage)
 - b. Joe Scura did not have success in finding a vendor
 - c. Concerns regarding liability of sharing as well as uncertainty with the ability to build more racks
 - i. DPW meeting tomorrow (10/21/2020); uncertain of current proposal for more storage
 - d. Potential option for year-round racks storage & not needing to remove boat/paddleboard (higher fee would need to be accessed)
 - e. Discussion of the ability for lifeguards to handle shared paddleboard access however potential insurance issue; exploration of private company or young local entrepreneurs for shared paddle board access

- 5) Laker 55
 - a. Cancelled last week’s event due to rain and cold weather
 - b. Scheduled event for this Friday (10/23/2020) with the topic of “County Services & How to Vote”
 - c. November event already secured & lined up

- d. Request for additional virtual event ideas to be shared (i.e. virtual culinary class)
- 6) Movie Night (10/29/2020)
- a. Showing Coraline
 - b. Need volunteers to assist attendees in social distancing and following procedures
 - i. Volunteers: Beth Gellert, Ina Rose and David Keyt
- 7) Halloween Door Decorating Judges
- a. In need of additional door submissions
 - b. Gifts to be secured from Sweet Expressions
 - c. Judges to be selected at a later date
- 8) Dedication of Tennis Courts (adjacent to ML High School)
- a. Resident suggestion of Tennis courts being named after Mike & Ginny O'Donnell (prior coaches of ML High School tennis)
 - b. Request for additional testimonials in support of the dedication; will send back request to Alesandro
 - c. Will review naming policy to be aligned with other parks/public areas within town
- 9) Ski Club
- a. Several outreaches by Karen Brennfleck to Mountain Creek have been conducted; Mountain Creek manager (Mike) indicated that he prefers no school groups visit the mountain however Karen informed him that we're a town group; Mountain Creek manager informed Karen that she is able to sell as many mountain passes (at the pre-determined discounted rate) as she wished but that he prefers a school bus not transport such individuals
 - b. Karen will follow-up with alternative potential mountains (i.e. Camelback)
 - c. Karen will follow-up with Mountain Creek manager and request accommodation for school bus transportation to accommodate working parents
- 10) Christmas Tree
- a. Has been approximated that the tree has 10-15 years to live
 - b. Discussion if a tree should be planted next to the existing tree and the possibility of shortening its life expectancy; Need to get an arborist to evaluate
 - c. Discussion of planting a tree at the semi-circle bump out on Esplanade
 - i. Karen will propose at DPW meeting tomorrow (10/21/2020)
 - d. Uncertainty of tree lighting ceremony due to COVID-19 (similar to cancellation of Halloween safe zone, July 4th Fireworks)
- 11) Committee Member Renewal & Request for New Members
- a. Members up for renewal: Beth, Shaun, Joe, David
 - i. Mike will not be returning
 - ii. Members that wish to renew should send an email to Karen
 - b. Request for new members prior to November member
- 12) Car Tags
- a. Recent issuance of vehicle tags for use at the recycling center & "other future uses"
 - b. Ordinance 10-20 was passed for design and issuance of parking tags on beach days

- i. Need further clarity on beach days; recommendation of Memorial Day to Labor Day
- ii. Need further clarification of violation/fine of disobeying the ordinance
- iii. Cynthia to find out from City Council
 - 1. Summer hours
 - 2. Potential fine for violators
 - 3. Enforcement timeframe; Rec Committee Recommendation from Memorial Day to Labor Day

Meeting Adjourned: 9:12pm

NEXT MEETING November 17, 2020