

MOUNTAIN LAKES RECREATION COMMISSION

Minutes for September 15, 2015

7:30 PM Borough Hall

Present: Chairperson – Deb Shertzer, Commissioners – Pete Herrera, Pete Sentowski, Ina Rose, Nicole Wright, Kelly Thompson, Board of Ed Liaison – John Kaplan, Council Liaison – John Lester, Recreation Director – Audrey Lane

Absent: Commissioners – Mark Caputo, Jim Petersen, Lydia Spoto

- I. Approval of minutes:
 - a. Minutes from Aug meeting passed unopposed.
- II. Discussion of incident @ RFL re: Boonton Kiwanis response time. Audrey to follow up with Boonton Township and Kiwanis.
- III. Rec Director Report
 - a. Summer program staffing:
 - i. Evaluations completed for all 50+ employees,
 - ii. Need to discuss with Borough Manager and Personnel committee regarding the need to re-interview all employees again next summer. Committee agrees that if a prior employee has a good review, they shouldn't have to be re-interviewed.
 - iii. Deb will talk to Peter Holmberg re: summer staffing process.
 - b. Beach Renovation
 - i. Final revision to Public Works Committee on 9/24, pending presentation to Borough council meeting by Rich Sheola upon his return to office.
 - ii. Cost will be approx. \$1.2 million. Discussion of including the main users of beaches, swim, dive, and sailing groups, to fundraise toward this effort.
 - iii. Parking spaces at Island Beach is a concern of the Public Works Committee.
 - iv. Discussion by committee of who should lead the Beach renovation project going forward?
- IV. Field Turf
 - a. Deb & Audrey met with James Smith about facilities. WW & Briarcliff are no longer using rSchool for facilities requests.
 - b. James Smith will be responsible for scheduling all gym time, both recreational and non-recreational programs.
 - c. Audrey plans to request time at the Lake Drive School again for indoor field hockey.
 - d. Further discussion regarding gym prioritization regarding recreational use vs. paid use. Does the BOE policy give rec use priority over any other organization? John Kaplan will verify BOE policy about facilities usage.
- V. Halloween Safe Zone Second Zone
 - a. Discussion around the cost associated with policing a second safe zone, per Chief Bennett, will be between \$300-900. Discussion as to whether it should be paid from the Recreation account, even though Halloween Safe Zone is not a "recreation" program. It has always been managed by the ML Police Department.
- VI. Fees

- a. Income from boat dock, racks and rings is about \$6,245 – 6,775 per year over last 4 years. Beach tags have brought in \$51K - \$52K. Tennis \$2,450.
 - b. John Kaplan & John Lester will talk at next finance meeting to get Audrey accurate information.
 - c. Started to discuss raising fees but tabled that discussion until we can figure out what Rec costs are.
 - d. 5 year plan needs to include an updated list of what Rec facilities need to be improved or replaces. Audrey has the list updated quarterly. Audrey will ask Dan Happer what or how we would do a 5-7 year capital improvement plan.
- VII. Janet's Law
- a. Audrey waiting on interpretation from lawyers as to who has to have and be trained to use the AEDs. Is this school-related only or do we need AEDs at all recreational sites?

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.