

Mountain Lakes Recreation Commission
Minutes for February 4, 2014
7:30PM Borough Hall

Present: Commissioners: Nicole Wright, Pete Herrerra, Kelly Thompson, Mark Caputo, Deb Shertzer, Kim Terhune, Jim Petersen. Council Liaison: Frank Borin:
Rec. Director: Audrey Lane, Cathy Mitchell BOE Liaison

Absent: Commissioner Spoto, Sentowski

I. Introduction of Frank Borin to committee members.

II. Selection of new officers:

Nicole Wright- Chair person
Deb- Vice Chair
Kim Terhune- Secretary

Motion made to approve above officers for 2014: Moved and passed unopposed.

III. Review of 2014 Rec Commission meeting schedule:

February 4
March 12
April 15
May 20
June 17
July 15
August 19
September 16
October 21
November 18
December

Discussion held regarding the need for summer meetings. It was decided that the meeting dates should be kept on the calendar at this time.

IV. 2014 Sub Committees:

Event Programming: Kelly Thompson, Pete Herrerra, Kim Terhune
Sportsmanship: Jim Petersen, Lydia Spoto
Communication: Deb Shertzer
Fields and Facilities:
Fields and Parks (Midvale, Taft, Halsey, Birchwood, Christmas Tree): Pete Sentowski
Birchwood and Island Beach: Nicole Wright
Tennis, Boat Launches, Basketball and Baseball: Mark Caputo

Everyone present agreed to his or her assigned sub committees.

V. Sports Liaisons

Committee members also assigned as sport liaisons. Job as liaison is to contact sport board, request to attend a board meeting and review sports standard document and find out how well they are in compliance with the document (any holes or needs.)

Sports Liaisons:

Basketball: Deb

Swimming: Pete H

Boy's Lax: Kelly

Girl's Lax: Pete S.

Wrestling: Mark

Sailing: Lydia

Track: Nicole

Field Hockey: Kim

Tri-Town Baseball, Briarcliff Sports Club: Jim

Gray Hawks: Audrey

MLBT Soccer, MLBT Hockey: Audrey

Deb to send out Sports document again to all committee members.

VI. Director's report:

A. Review:

Audrey reported a great month for the December recreation events; Menorah Lighting, Christmas Tree Lighting, Bus Trip to NY.

Basketball registration went smoothly.

Excited for March H&SA initiative on sportsmanship. Presentation by Frank Smoll.

B. New Recreation Programs:

A weekly knitting class for adults beginning 2/24-3/31 to be held at the HS media center conference room 6:30- 7:30pm. Fee \$55

Weekly Robotics Class for kids ages 8-13 from 2/26- 3/26 6:30pm in the ML library meeting room. (15 participants already signed up)

C. Easter:

Audrey asked for volunteers for the Easter Committee. Pete H., Deb and Kelly volunteered

D. Audrey stated she would like to see all programs share the turf field.

E. R-SCHOOLS: Audrey noted new problems with R-Schools. She and Nicole to look into issues.

F. Budget presentation for 2014 capital projects.

- Study to propose updates to Birchwood Facilities
- Drainage for upper Halsey Field
- Midvale Playground
- Midvale Boat Launch

G. Summer Camp

Audrey to meet with K. Wallace regarding Summer camp.

Nicole encouraged earlier summer camp registration possibly beginning March 1st. Audrey agreed.

H. New Items:

Audrey states she would like to revamp tennis program and make it more of a community tennis program. She has reached out to HS coaches and players.

Coach's clinic to be held February 26th.

Next Concussion testing session February 25th & 26. First session went well.

Audrey asked Patty McElduff to find HS students to design new rec logo. Samples of student's ideas/designs passed around to committee members.

VII. Recreation policy for non-resident student participation.

Group discussed creating a policy for non-resident students for participation in recreation programs. Issues discussed included:

- whether ML residents would have priority over non-residents for popular programs?

- ADA requirements if programs opened to Lake Drive Students. An opinion will be sought from the Borough lawyer.

- Nicole to craft motion for next meeting

VIII. Tennis Court Regulations:

Nicole to send out proposed regulations before next meeting . Need for changes in signage and borough ordinances. She would like new regulations passed at the March meeting so changes can be implemented this year.

IX. Other Business:

Audrey polled the commission regarding online beach tag and tennis tag purchases. Payment could be made online but tags would still need to be picked up at borough hall with proof of residency. Everyone in favor.

Audrey encouraged everyone to share thoughts and ideas with her regarding programs and events.

Meeting Adjourned 905pm.