

MOUNTAIN LAKES RECREATION COMMISSION
Minutes for June 10, 2015
7:30 Borough Hall

Present: Chairperson – Deborah Shertzer, Commissioners – Peter Herrera, Jim Petersen, Lydia Cipriani-Spoto, Kelly Thompson, Peter Sentowski, Nicole Wright, Ina Rose; Rec Director – Audrey Lane; Board of Ed Liaison – John Kaplan

Absent: Marc Caputo, Town Council Liaison – John Lester;

Motion to pass minutes from April meeting passed with one abstention

New Commissioner Ina Rose was welcomed to the commission.

- I. Lights on the turf field – Policy of Use
 - a. The current policy was created last year and will be reviewed by the board of Education in September. This policy states that only the High School can use the lights.
 - b. Rec commission would like to propose limited use for recreation programs. Representatives will attend the upcoming Board of Ed meeting, or a separate meeting with the extra-curricular/co-curricular sum committee of the Board of Ed.
- II. Halloween Safe Zone
 - a. To alleviate fatigue on the village denizens, commission discussed adding another safe zone for trick or treating. Melrose and Hanover were used in the past, barricaded off and candy distributed to residents.
 - b. Deb will draft a position paper for the public safety commission.
 - c. Per Audrey, ML Police are open to creating a second zone.
 - d. Candy collection has been insufficient in recent years to meet demand. Suggest posting a large thermometer display to show our progress toward goal.
- III. Beach and Dock facilities improvements
 - a. Birchwood beach update
 - i. Ladders went in to the swim area today
 - ii. Swim test will commence this week. Lifeguards will be briefed.
 - iii. Painting and other opening day work remains to be done.
 - b. Midvale Dock
 - i. Renovations there are 75% complete. Last 25% - repaving of main pathway and curb work - will not be done until the fall.
 - ii. Paddle board rack has deficiencies.
 - iii. To note, we confirmed that Midvale dock area falls in the category of “Special Use Facilities” per ordinance 173-1 section 0. These facilities are restricted for use by town residents only.
 - c. Plans are drawn for larger scale beach improvements for Island and Birchwood.
- IV. Fees
 - a. Beach fees table below

Type	Discount price (before 6/30)	Regular price
Family	\$100	\$120
Individual	\$25	\$30
Nanny	\$25	\$30

Resident Senior	Free	Free
Kids under 2	Free	Free
Guest tag		5/\$25, \$6 at beach

Consider raising prices for 2016, but first need clarity on how much we collect, where it is allocated, and total beach maintenance and operating costs.

- b. Tennis Fees – same as beach fees, with the exception that high school students pay \$25.
- c. Boat rack or ring: \$25
- d. Adding cost ranges to the municipal ordinance:
 - i. Camps – presently range from \$100/week to \$400/wek. Group agrees that it is important to keep these rates low.
 - ii. Bus trip – set range at \$30-\$250
 - iii. Programs/classes range should be \$30-\$250
 - iv. Sports range should be \$50-\$500
 - v. Facilities and field usage – Audrey will check with other towns to see how they do this. A \$10-\$25 charge per hour would be very daunting to any all-day camps. We will consider length of use and number of heads.
- V. Director’s Report
 - a. Audrey has interviewed all summer personnel. All employment packets are completed.
 - b. 4th of July prep is underway
 - c. Hub Lakes – Arrowhead Lake issue has been put to rest. Letter was sent out to those residents to update them as to their Hub Lakes choices.

There will be no meeting in July.

Pete Herrera moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:58. Lydia Spoto seconded the motion. Passed.