

BOROUGH OF MOUNTAIN LAKES RECREATION COMMISSION
Monthly Meeting Minutes – Quick Notes
Minutes for January 18, 2022 at 7:30 PM - Zoom

1. Call to Order

A monthly meeting of Borough of Mountain Lakes Recreation Commission was held on January 17, 2022 on Zoom teleconference. It began at 7:30 PM and was presided over by chairperson David Keyt, with Derek Jackson as secretary.

2. Attendees

Voting Members in attendance: Phyllis Deering, Derek Jackson, David Keyt, Shaun Lehrer, Heather Prince-Hornby, Gary Reznik, Ina Rose, Tish Scarola

Non-voting Members in attendance: Karen Brennfleck (Recreation Director), Thomas Menard (Council Liaison)

Guests in attendance: None

Members not in attendance: Mark Odenwelder

3. Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on November 16, 2021 was made by David Keyt and seconded by Derek Jackson.

4. Report of the Recreation Director

Report was presented by Karen Brennfleck.

Tentative Calendar of Events for 2022

- Easter Egg Hunt - Easter is April 17. The school Spring break is April 15-24. The Easter Egg Hunt will be the weekend before Easter on April 9 or 10.
- Trout Derby - We do not have a confirmed date for Trout Derby. It is typically the last weekend in April or the first weekend of May.
- Fourth of July Fireworks – July 4 is a Monday. Following a historical schedule, the town would host its Fireworks display on Friday July 2. There is a potential option for Monday with a rain date on Tuesday.

The Christmas Tree on Island Beach was well received. It may be considered for next year. The tree at Kaufman Park was trimmed and re-strung with LEDs.

Ski Club has a record number of participants. There are 2 buses each for the middle and high school. The club moved from Mountain Creek to Camelback for 2022.

Recreation Track and Cross Country will open to Boonton Township. We are switching leagues in 2022.

Mountain Lakes is participating in the Hub Lakes Darts team. Home matches are at the Mountain Lakes Club.

The only Hub Lakes events that Mountain Lakes does not participate in is Men's and Women's Horse Shoes. If there is interest, the community could create a place to play horse shoes.

5. Old Business

Water Craft Storage – There are logistics concerns from the DPW and Borough Manager about offering year-round storage. There was a discussion about allowing people to place equipment at the dam for a brief period over the winter to allow water access when the lake is not frozen. This period will likely be surrounded on both ends by a black out period where everyone will need to remove equipment from racks.

6. New Business

Swim Test – The Mountain Lakes Swim and Dive committee will propose an amendment to the swim test to create an additional qualifying test. The additional test would only qualify youth for the team events (practices and meets). It would not qualify kids to swim to and/or from the docks, or use the diving boards during regular beach hours. The current test excludes our youngest swimmers from competing in local meets. However, there are other lakes that compete with Mountain Lakes who have less rigorous requirements for swimmers who do not take our test, but their swimmers are allowed to swim in our lakes during meets. This takes away opportunities from our children.

7. Announcements

Next meeting February 15, 2022

8. Adjournment

David Keyt moved that the meeting be adjourned. Derek Jackson seconded the motion. The motion passed at 8:15 PM.