

DRAFT MINUTES
Town of Kensington
Kensington Recreation and Social Committee (KRSC)
June 6, 2023
Public Meeting, Town Hall
5:00 pm

Attending:

Sarah Turcott, KRSC Member
Jessica Minghella, KRSC Member
Donna Carter, KRSC Member
Lili Spinosa, KRSC Member
Bob Soloman, Board of Selectman
Stephanie Kosakowski, Kensington Summer Camp Coordinator/ Director

Meeting opened at 5:05 pm.

Summer Camp 2023: Stephanie Kosakowski attended the first portion of the meeting to provide an update to the summer camp staff and registration updates. The First Aid/CPR session was well attended; all but 2 camp staff were able to attend. Stephanie reviewed the discussion topics she presented to the staff, specifically highlighting the discussion surrounding personnel cell phone use at camp and the no tolerance policy with staff using their cellular phones unless on breaks or in event of emergency. Stephanie confirmed she has possession of 2 town provided cell phones (she was requested to meet with Kathy Felch to discuss obtaining paid minutes for the phone use) and 8 portable 2-way radios. As of the meeting, there were an average of 28 campers registered per week. The KRSC members were made aware of the number of children that may be registered to camp with KRSC provided scholarships; as this is managed by Nurse Heather Antal at KES, Lili sent an email to Heather during this meeting asking her to ensure the children are registered as soon as possible in order to finalize staffing resourcing.

Stephanie provided update on the extended day campers: presently there are 5-7 campers registered for extended day, and KES accepted the building use permit for campers to use the multi-purpose room and bathrooms. Stephanie is meeting with KES Principle Becky Ruel on 16 JUN 2023 to obtain the key card for building access and obtain any updates as needed.

The staffing will entail 7 Counselors/ CITs each day. The camp budget is based on 40 campers per week (factoring ~4 campers registering for extended day). Ratio 1:1:10 (Counselor/ CIT/ campers).

Stephanie confirmed she has obtained the camp credit card, and is currently compiling a list of supplies to purchase from Amazon and Oriental Trading Company.

Donna reminded all that every Wednesday is mowing day at park, the landscape company was requested to complete this early in morning before camp starts. Stephanie has rented a bouncy house for camp on July 12th at 9am-5pm; Donna requested the phone # of the bouncy house vendor so she can be in contact to coordinate drop off/ pick-up. Steph to email Donna all the dates that vendors will need access through the park gate. Sarah reminded Steph to try the hose and make sure it works; last year the hose had issues.

Senior Tea: The next social tea/ coffee is scheduled for June 8th, 1:15pm at KES. The Kindergarten students will be hosting this session at KES at the request of Barbara Greenwood. KRSC members confirmed no supplies or refreshments are being requested from committee. The KES planned Celebration of Learning will immediately follow this senior tea (June 8thm 1:45-3:00 pm); Jessica to post reminder and clarification on Kensington Connects of these 2 events scheduled in succession.

Old Home Day (OHD): The Sawyer Park Trust previously confirmed the OHD event to occur Aug 19th. An email was provided to the various town organizations and committees, to attend the next event planning meeting at the Town Hall on June 8th at 6:00 pm. Anyone who is interested in being involved in planning/ volunteering/ participating in this event, is welcome to attend the meeting.

During this meeting, the KRSC members briefly reviewed vendor updates since previous meeting: Whipporwill Dairy truck will arrive during lunch and after dinner, selling variety of ice cream flavors. There will be no charge to the KRSC and there is no minimum requirement for sales. KRSC discussed whether the food truck is able to enter through gate and park on lower paved level next to Field A. Donna to discuss with the Park Trust. Sarah to confirm DJ (from 1-8pm, and allow open mic for whoever wants to play; 3pm is a ukulele band scheduled for 45min set). The 2 bounce houses was rented from Westville Grand Rental Station (delivery on Aug 19th at 9am, pick up Aug 20th at 9am): Inflatable Obstacle Course @ \$400, and Inflatable Fun House @\$195 w/ total delivery charge @ \$400. Firework charge @ \$4500. A schedule of activities will start to be created and made available on Kensington Connects when available.

Meeting closed at 6:04pm.

The Kensington Recreation and Social Committee has moved their regular meetings to the second Thursday of each month at 5:00 pm at the Town Hall; this is subject to change based on the members' availability. The public is always welcome to attend. The upcoming OHD planning meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2023, 6:00 pm at the Town Hall. The next regular KRSC meeting is scheduled for July 20, 2023, 5:30pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Minghella