

Town of Kensington
Kensington Recreation and Social Committee (KRSC)
July 20, 2023
Public Meeting, Town Hall
4:00 pm

Attending:

Sarah Turcott, KRSC Member
Courtney Brady, 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 4:10 pm.

Summer Camp 2023: Stephanie Kosakowski attended the first portion of the meeting to provide an overview of the summer camp and registration numbers. There are on average 35 campers registered each week, and Stephanie is on-site each camp day between the hours of 8:30 am- 2:30 pm. Sarah and Kathy Felch are collaborating to define the camp scholarship and financial policy. Sarah has identified a 3rd party program (KeyCollective.org), that would qualify families for scholarship and KRSC would allocate a specific amount of funds annually to this program. This new policy and process will be implemented in 2024.

Old Home Day (OHD): The Sawyer Park Trust previously confirmed the OHD event to occur Aug 19- Aug 20th. Stephanie K will discuss with the camp counselors and CITs the opportunity to work the event in various capacities.

During this meeting, the KRSC members briefly reviewed vendor updates since previous meeting: Whipporwill Dairy truck will arrive during lunch and after dinner (Jess to call Thatcher at Whipporwill and confirm our suggested times of 12-2pm and 5-7pm), selling variety of ice cream flavors. Donna confirmed with Park Trust that the food truck will be able to enter through gate and park on lower paved level next to Field A.

Aug 19th events: Sarah confirmed the times with the DJ (1-8pm), and he will allow open mic for whoever wants to play; 3pm is a ukulele band (scheduled for 45min set). The 2 bounce houses were 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. PTO is allowing KRSC to borrow the bingo supplies (bingo from 7-8pm), and KRSC discussed different prize options. There will be 2 KPD officers on site throughout the event hosting the dunk tank, and KPD arranged for Starbucks to attend and offer free coffee. Jessica will arrange a Nature Scavenger Hunt, to occur at Sawyer Park throughout the day. Donna confirmed she will manage the purchase of food, paper good supplies, water and lemonade.

KRSC spoke of vendors potentially setting up on the skateboard park or the overflow parking lot on Trundlebed Ln.

A schedule of activities is being drafted and will be made available on Kensington Connects when available.

Meeting closed at 5:04pm.

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 next KRSC meeting is scheduled for August 8, 2023, 5:00pm at the Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,
Jessica Minghella