

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for February 8, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Kevin Dotey
Cassius Kennick
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz

Members Absent:

Bob May
Rich Tarbous
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director

Kevin Dotey made a motion to accept January 2016 minutes with a second by Rich Rutkowski and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

No one present

Directors Report

- Basketball has 185 children registered. Games are running smoothly. Photo day will be February 17th.
- Baseball/Softball forms were e-blasted and also delivered to the schools. Registration is open through February 26th.
- Buddy Ball Basketball will run on Thursdays from February 18th to March 17th in the Mauger Old Gym from 6pm – 7pm. Registration is being accepted. Buddies have to be at least 14 years old or older.
- Men's Softball information was emailed to the 2015 managers. The deadline for teams to register is March 11th.
- Wrestling has 33 children registered. The annual novice tournament was cancelled due to the snow storm.
- Yoga current session runs from December 14th to February 29th. There are 10 registered.
- Toddler programs winter sessions runs from December 7th to February 23rd. There are 42 children registered. Registration for Spring Sessions has begun.
- Coach Thomasey has been emailed regarding a possible spring Track program.

- Bowling new session will run from January 23rd to March 12th. There is 1 child registered.
- PonyShare summer camp week is booked for July 11th to July 14th.
- Tennis US Sports Institute will offer a Thursday and/or Sunday tennis program starting mid-April at Mt. View Park. There will also be a four day tennis camp the weeks of July 5th and August 15th.
- US Sports will be running two sessions of multi sports programs for ages 3-5 in Mt. View Park. One session will begin in April and the other in June.
- Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 19th with a rain/snow date of March 20th.

Councilmatic report

1. Councilman Madden stated the budget for increased supplies has been approved. Recreation Director is looking into bats and catchers equipment.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Cassius Kennick pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Sherley Penrose. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence - None

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. Recreation Director met with Jump Start Sports. Jump Start Sports runs sports and activities for more pre-school based children. They offered 6 week summer and fall t-ball programs for 3 and 4 year old. Recreation Director proposed this new program but the Commission was in agreement that due to the lack of help this program would be put on hold.
2. Recreation Director met with Max Beckerman, marketing manager at Costco. He would like to help the town promote their activities. The Commission was in agreement to hear his suggestions.

Old Business

1. Still seeking full time help in the Recreation Director's Office
2. Restrooms in Recreation Building to be renovated using HUD grant money. Councilman Madden said HUD saw no problems in the restrooms and the project is a closed issue.
3. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director is going to reach out to meet with DPW as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 7:50 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Cassius Kennick.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be March 14th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for March 14, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Kevin Dotey
Cassius Kennick
Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Lileen Schwarz
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director

Bob May made a motion to accept February 2016 minutes with a second by Cassius Kennick and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

No one present

Directors Report

- Basketball has 185 children registered. Games finish either March 12th or March 19th. Photo day was on February 17th.
- Baseball/Softball registration is over. There are 133 children registered. The breakdown is: Lil Sluggers: 31, Small Fry: 18, Small Girls: 16, Farm League: 14, Junior League: 22, Major League: 32. There was a meeting with the Dunellen Recreation Director on March 10th to determine what groups can play against each other and which teams will be placed in the Somerville Baseball/Softball League. The Rutgers S.A.F.E.T.Y. course will be held on April 3rd. MLL, AYF/AYC and MYSA have been notified and letters were mailed to the recreation coaches about the course and fingerprinting. The list of coaches will be presented at next meeting.
- Buddy Ball Basketball will run on Thursdays from February 18th to March 17th in the Mauger Old Gym from 6pm – 7pm. There are 17 kids registered.
- Men's Softball information was emailed to the 2015 managers. The deadline for teams to register was March 11th. So far there are two teams confirmed.
- Wrestling volunteers are planning an end of the season party.

- Yoga current session runs from March 14th to May 2nd. There are 11 registered.
- Toddler programs spring sessions began on March 7th. There are 39 children registered.
- Coach Thomasey has been emailed regarding a possible spring Track program. Not sure if there will be a program this spring.
- Bowling new session will run from January 23rd to March 12th. There is 1 child registered.
- Movie in the Park movie nights will be held on July 8th and in conjunction with National Night Out on August 2nd.
- PonyShare summer camp week will be held from July 11th to July 14th in Mt. View Park.
- Tennis US Sports Institute will offer a Thursday and/or Sunday tennis program starting mid-April at Mt. View Park. There will also be a four day tennis camp the weeks of July 5th and August 15th.
- US Sports will be running two sessions of multi sports programs for ages 3-5 in Mt. View Park. One session will begin in April and the other in June.
- Easter Egg Hunt is scheduled for March 19th with a rain/snow date of March 20th.
- Summer Playground permit requests were sent to BOE. The program will run from June 27th through August 5th. Applications for staff will be available as of April 1st and accepted through April 29th.

Councilmatic report

1. Councilman Madden found a wording error on Page 17, Policy 8, Number 10 of our policy. Recreation Director will make the correction to the policy.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Rich Rutkowski pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Rich Tarbous. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence - None

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. Recreation Director asked for approval to increase fees by \$10 per week for Happy Campers, 4-5 year old day camp, since they have remained the same for many years. Motion to increase Happy Camper fees by \$10 per week was made by Rich Rutkowski with a second by Cassius Kennick. The roll was called and all were in agreement.

Old Business

1. Still seeking full time help in the Recreation Director's Office. Recreation Director explained that the help doesn't have to be full time but can be part time for 15 hours a week. Councilman Madden will bring the suggestion of part time help up to the council at the next meeting.
2. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director is going to meet with DPW as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:05 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Cassius Kennick.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be April 11th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for May 9, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Cassius Kennick
Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Kevin Dotey

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Bob May made a motion to accept April 2016 minutes with a second by Rich Rutkowski and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

1. Patrick Cullinan – 337 Harris Avenue, proposed a new outdoor summer basketball program for adults.

Directors Report

- Basketball Clinics with Coach Goldstein runs from April 11th through June 6th. There are 30 children registered.
- Baseball/Softball total registration is 138. The breakdown is: Lil Sluggers: 31, Small Fry: 19, Small Girls: 16, Farm League: 14, Junior League: 24, Major League: 34. Photo day is scheduled for May 11th pending BOE approval to use the Mauger Old Gym.
- Buddy Ball Soccer program has 12 participants and was scheduled to start on April 28th but was rained out. They will meet on Thursday's from 6pm-7pm on the multi-purpose field behind the pool.
- Men's Softball will have no league in 2016.
- Yoga new session will run from May 9th until July 11th. There are 10 registered so far.
- Toddler programs spring sessions run through mid-May. There are 45 children registered. The summer Happy Camper Club registration is out and we are offering 5 weeks.

- Movie in the Park movie nights will be held on July 8th and in conjunction with National Night Out on August 2nd.
- PonyShare summer camp week will be held from July 11th to July 14th in Mt. View Park.
- Tennis US Sports Institute will offer a Thursday and/or Sunday tennis program starting mid-April at Mt. View Park. There will also be a four day tennis camp the weeks of July 5th and August 15th.
- US Sports will be running two sessions of multi sports programs for ages 3-5 in Mt. View Park. One session will begin in April and the other in June.
- Summer Playground registration forms were delivered to the schools and are due back on June 1st.
- Track will not have a program this spring.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide.

Councilmatic report

1. Councilman Madden also stated that capital funds will be used to replace dinosaur slide at Haverstick Park.
2. Councilman Madden explained there is going to be Middlesex Community Day on July 23rd from 1pm-9pm. The rain date will be July 24th. There will local vendors there too. Recreation Director also added they are receiving quotes for inflatables for the kids' area.
3. Councilman Madden stated that the governing body saw the multi-purpose field and was very impressed.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Rich Rutkowski pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Cassius Kennick. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence - None

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. Recreation Commission and Director discussed Mr. Cullinan's proposal for an outdoor basketball program for adults. The Commission stated that due to the lack of help other new proposed programs have been put on hold. Roll was taken and with the vote of 3 yes and 3 no the Chair of the Commission made the decision in favor of no for this new outdoor basketball program for adults due to lack of help in the Recreation Director's office.

2. Recreation Director received an email from the Police Department regarding the Fishing Derby on June 25th. They were seeking permission to fish in the park. Recreation Director explained that it is allowed to fish in the park.
3. Recreation Director asked the Commission if it was okay to give Bev Yoson, Zumba instructor for over 9 years, a key to the outside door. All were in agreement.
4. One hour prior to regular July 11th meeting the policy sub-committee will meet to review the policy as required.

Old Business

1. Still seeking full time help in the Recreation Director's Office. Recreation Director explained that the help doesn't have to be full time but can be part time for 15 hours a week. Councilman Madden will bring the suggestion of part time help up to the council and there should be more information on this by the next meeting.
2. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director is going to meet with DPW the week of May 16th as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:03 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Bob May.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be June 13th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for April 11, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Kevin Dotey
Cassius Kennick

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Bob May made a motion to accept March 2016 minutes with a second by Rich Tarbous and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

No one present

Directors Report

- Basketball program has ended on March 12th with minimal issues.
- Basketball Clinics with Coach Goldstein will begin on April 11th and run through June 6th. There are 25 children registered.
- Baseball/Softball total registration is 136. The breakdown is: Lil Sluggers: 31, Small Fry: 19, Small Girls: 16, Farm League: 15, Junior League: 22, Major League: 33. The Rutgers S.A.F.E.T.Y. course was held on April 3rd. Photo day is scheduled for May 11th pending BOE approval to use the Mauger Old Gym.
- Buddy Ball Soccer forms will be going out soon as a spring activity.
- Men's Softball had one team registered and two others verbally committed. Efforts were tried to combine with Piscataway and that did not work out. The teams have been notified that there will be no league in Middlesex this season. The one team who registered was mailed a voucher for reimbursement.
- Yoga current session runs through May 2nd. There are 13 registered.
- Toddler programs spring sessions run through mid-May. There are 45 children registered. The summer Happy Camper Club registration is out and we are offering 5 weeks.

- Movie in the Park movie nights will be held on July 8th and in conjunction with National Night Out on August 2nd.
- PonyShare summer camp week will be held from July 11th to July 14th in Mt. View Park.
- Tennis US Sports Institute will offer a Thursday and/or Sunday tennis program starting mid-April at Mt. View Park. There will also be a four day tennis camp the weeks of July 5th and August 15th.
- US Sports will be running two sessions of multi sports programs for ages 3-5 in Mt. View Park. One session will begin in April and the other in June.
- Easter Egg Hunt was a success. It was well attended and the weather was mild.
- Summer Playground permit requests were sent to BOE. The program will run from June 27th through August 5th. Applications for staff are out and accepted through April 29th.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide.
- Funds from the Trust maintenance line have been allocated to replace bottom rails on fencing at Haverstick, Simchock and Morgan parks/fields.

Councilmatic report

1. Councilman Madden also stated that capital funds will be used to replace dinosaur slide at Haverstick Park.
2. Councilman Madden explained there is going to be Middlesex Celebration Day in July. There will local vendors there too.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Rich Rutkowski pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Bob May. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence - None

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. The Commission approved the list of baseball and softball coaches which were given by the Rec Director pending they all are current with the Rutgers safety course, fingerprinting and submitted the signed policy. Motion was made by Rich Rutkowski seconded by Bob May; roll call vote was taken, all in favor.
2. Change will be made to Policy #3 Item #18 – remove phrase stating fingerprinting location is at MorphoTrak. Motion was made by Rich Rutkowski seconded by Bob May to accept the changes to Policy #3 Item #18. The roll was called and all were in agreement.
3. Two OPRA requests have been received and addressed.

Old Business

1. Still seeking full time help in the Recreation Director's Office. Recreation Director explained that the help doesn't have to be full time but can be part time for 15 hours a week. Councilman Madden will bring the suggestion of part time help up to the council.
2. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director is going to meet with DPW as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:00 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Rich Tarbous.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be May 9th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for June 13, 2016

Vice Chair Rich Rutkowski opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Kevin Dotey
Cassius Kennick
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz

Members Absent:

Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Tarbous

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Kevin Dotey made a motion to accept May 2016 minutes with a second by Cassius Kennick and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

No one present

Directors Report

- Basketball Clinics with Coach Goldstein ran through June 6th. There are 30 children registered. We are planning a fall session for Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Baseball/Softball total registration is 138. Games are ending between June 11th and June 21st.
- Buddy Ball Soccer program has ended. There is a meeting set up with the program coordinators on June 22nd at 6pm in the Rec Center to go over the fall programs.
- Yoga new session will run from May 9th until July 11th. There are 10 registered so far.
- Toddler program Happy Camper Club registration is out and we are offering 5 weeks.
- Movie in the Park movie nights will be held on July 8th and in conjunction with National Night Out on August 2nd. Daddy Day Care will be shown on July 8th.
- PonyShare summer camp week will be held from July 11th to July 14th in Mt. View Park.

- Tennis US Sports Institute will offer a Thursday and/or Sunday tennis program starting mid-April at Mt. View Park. There will also be a four day tennis camp the weeks of July 5th and August 15th.
- US Sports will be running two sessions of multi sports programs for ages 3-5 in Mt. View Park. One session will begin in April and the other in June.
- Summer Playground has 92 children registered. Hazelwood site has been closed due to low enrollment. All the participants have been notified via email and postal mail. Right now there are 33 children at Watchung and 58 at the High School and there is one undecided.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide and we are just waiting for approval.

Councilmatic report

1. Councilman Madden questioned the details about the licensing fees for the Movies in the Park if there is inclement weather. Recreation Director explained if the weather is bad and the movie night is rescheduled the licensing fee company will work with her to reschedule the license too.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Kevin Dotey pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Lileen Schwarz. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence - None

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. Recreation Director asked for approval of the rates for the Summer Playground Staff. Motion to accept the rates for the Summer Playground Staff was made by Cassius Kennick with a second by Kevin Dotey. The roll was called and all were in agreement.
2. Recreation Director discussed if a policy or statement should be created regarding pictures or videos posted to social media of children involved in Recreation activities. The Commission was all in agreement that the Recreation Director should speak to our attorney and go under his advisement on what steps, if any, should be taken.

Old Business

1. Still seeking full time help in the Recreation Director's Office. Recreation Director explained that the help doesn't have to be full time but can be part time for 15

hours a week. Councilman Madden will bring the suggestion of part time help up to the council. Councilman Madden explained full or part time help will not be approved at this time.

2. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director is going to meet with DPW the week of May 16th as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.
3. One hour prior to regular July 11th meeting the policy sub-committee will meet to review the policy as required.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Rutkowski read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:38 p.m., Commissioner Kevin Dotey made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Cassius Kennick.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be July 11th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for July 11, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Cassius Kennick
Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Kevin Dotey
John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director

Also present:

Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Bob May made a motion to accept June 2016 minutes with a second by Cassius Kennick and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

1. Jonathan Miller – 8564 Voorhees Avenue, requested his son be placed on the same soccer team coached by Coach Penna due a transportation problem. Commission agreed on this request

Directors Report

- Bowling summer session will start on July 13th and run through August 22nd. There are 2 children registered.
- Buddy Ball meeting with the program coordinators was held on June 22nd. A schedule has been made for all of the programs for 2016-2017 and made a list of items needed.
- Yoga new session will run from May 9th until July 11th. There are 10 registered.
- Toddler program Happy Camper Club registration is out and we are offering 5 weeks. Forms for the fall programs will be available in mid July.
- Movie in the Park movie nights will be held on July 8th and in conjunction with National Night Out on August 2nd. July 8th was cancelled due to inclement weather. Daddy Day Care will be shown on July 15th.
- PonyShare summer camp was cancelled due to lack of participants. A program for spring break week in April 2017 is trying to be scheduled.
- Soccer forms were delivered to the schools and the deadline is August 1st.

- Track program is being worked out with Mike Walters.
- Tennis US Sports Institute will offer a Thursday and/or Sunday tennis program starting mid-April at Mt. View Park. There will also be a four day tennis camp the weeks of July 5th and August 15th.
- Summer Playground has 110 children registered. There are 41 children at Watchung and 69 at the High School. They will be taking a trip to iPlay America on July 19th.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide and we are just waiting for approval.

Councilmatic report – No representative

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Rich Rutkowski pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Rich Tarbous. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence –

1. Recreation Director received a request from Monica Townsend to use the Recreation Center for her sorority to meet the 2nd Friday of every month. The Commission would like Ms. Townsend to come to a meeting to explain her request further and for questions.
2. Recreation Director received a request from Brian Ashlick to hold his free one day Hypnotizing seminar. The hypnoses with help individuals of all ages to stop smoking. The Commission would like Mr. Ashlick to come to a meeting to explain his request further and for questions.

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. The Policy Sub-Committee met at 6:30pm on July 11th to review the policy as required. Recommendations were made to make an update to Policy #1 Item #1 Appendices E - Participant Guidelines and updates to Item 3. This will be discussed further at the next meeting.
2. It was brought to the Recreation Commission's attention that the bathrooms at Mountain View Park were in need of a good cleaning. DPW will be contacted regarding this issue.

Old Business

1. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director is going to meet with DPW the week of May 16th as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.
2. Recreation Director discussed if a policy or statement should be created regarding pictures or videos posted to social media of children involved in Recreation activities. After speaking to our attorney, the Recreation Commission and Recreation Director cannot regulate others from taking pictures or videos and posting them to social media of children involved in Recreation activities. No pictures will be taken by the Recreation Commission or Recreation Director except for picture day. No policy is also needed regarding this matter.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:04 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Bob May.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be August 8th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
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Commission Meeting Minutes for August 8, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Kevin Dotey
Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Cassius Kennick
Lileen Schwarz

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Bob May made a motion to accept July 2016 minutes with a second by Rich Tarbous and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

1. Brian Eslick – 139 Harris Avenue, discussed his request to hold his free one day Hypnotizing seminar. The hypnoses with help individuals of all ages to stop smoking and also be an educational information session. He explained he would be handling all of the details and work to hold this one day session. Commission agreed on this request.
2. Barbara Gorka – 94 Wilton Avenue, requested her daughter be placed on a different soccer team due a transportation problem. Commission agreed on this request.

Directors Report

- Basketball Clinics will be run by Jared Goldstein for 3rd – 8th graders on Mondays and Wednesdays at MHS from September 11th – November 16th. The form is available and registration is open. Clinics for 9th – 12th graders will be offered and awaiting approval from the school for the dates and times.
- Bowling summer session runs through August 22nd. There are 4 children registered.
- Buddy Ball 2016-2017 registration is now open.
- Yoga new session will run from July 18th until October 3rd. There are 10 registered.

- Toddler program Happy Camper Club ended on July 28th. Forms for the fall programs are out for registration.
- Movie in the Park movie night showed Zootopia after National Night Out on August 2nd. The movie was well attended.
- Soccer has 208 children registered. Emails were sent out to the groups that needed additional volunteers. Teams and schedules will be made with games beginning on September 17th. Rutgers Safety Clinic for all coaches and volunteers is on September 9th from 6:30pm – 9:30pm.
- Track program has 24 children registered for a summer program with Mike Walters. They meet Mondays and Thursdays at the track and finish on September 1st.
- Tennis US Sports Institute is offering fall classes.
- Summer Playground had 115 children registered. There were 42 children at Watchung and 73 at the High School. The program ended on August 5th. They took a trip to iPlay America on July 19th and had a field day on August 4th with a DJ, inflatables, Lets Boom Together, pizza and sno-cones.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide and we are just waiting for approval.
- The Fall Festival will be held on October 8th.

Councilmatic report –

1. The Mayor requested to review budget line by line with Recreation Director. A meeting will be set up with Recreation Director by August 11th.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Kevin Dotey pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Rich Tarbous. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence –

1. Recreation Director received a thank you letter from Officer Auricchio thanking Mike Girvan for helping out with the Fishing Derby.
2. Recreation Director received a request from Beverly Yoson, Zumba instructor, to start a new fitness program called Pound Fit. The Commission stated that due to lack of help new proposed programs have been put on hold.

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. The Commission approved the list of soccer coaches which were given by the Recreation Director pending they all are current with the Rutgers safety course, fingerprinting and submitted the signed policy. Motion was made by Rich Rutkowski seconded by Bob May; roll call vote was taken, all in favor.
2. Commissioner Penrose requested the consideration that the Summer Playground program to be extended later into the month of August.

Old Business

1. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director met with DPW the week of May 16th as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.
2. The Policy Sub-Committee recommended changes to be made to Policy #1 Item #1 Appendices E – Participant Guidelines and updates to Item 3. Motion was made by Rich Rutkowski seconded by Rich Tarbous to accept the changes to Policy #1 Item #1 Appendices E and updates to Item 3. The roll was called and all were in agreement.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:19 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Bob May.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be September 12th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for September 12, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Kevin Dotey
Cassius Kennick
Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz

Members Absent:

Rich Tarbous

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Rich Rutkowski made a motion to accept the corrected August 2016 minutes with a second by Kevin Dotey and approved by all members present. The corrections were a spelling and grammatical error.

Public Session:

1. Judy Cosentino – 544 Chestnut Street, discussed her request to hold her free one day Hypnotizing seminar. The hypnoses with help individuals especially cancer patients dealing with the shock of diagnosis and to get rid of the fear. This would also be an educational information session. She explained she would be handling all of the details and work to hold this one day session. Commission agreed on this request.

Directors Report

- Basketball Clinics is run by Jared Goldstein for 3rd – 8th graders on Mondays and Wednesdays at MHS from September 11th – November 16th. There are 16 children registered so far. Clinics for 9th – 12th graders will be offered and received approval from the school for the dates and times.
- Bowling fall session will have a program on Fridays at 4pm or 6pm.
- Buddy Ball 2016-2017 registration is now open.
- Yoga new session will run from July 18th until October 3rd. There are 10 registered.
- Toddler programs will begin the week of September 19th. There are 20 registered so far.

- Soccer has 235 children registered. The coaches meeting was on September 8th. Games will begin on September 17th. Photo Day is October 3rd.
- Tennis US Sports Institute is offering fall classes.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide and we are just waiting for approval.
- The Fall Festival will be held on October 8th.

Councilmatic report –

1. Budget report will be submitted on September 13th.
2. Spoke to the Mayor about the cleaning crew not doing a good job. This matter will be looked into.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Rich Rutkowski pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Bob May. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence –

1. Recreation Director received a thank you letter from Chief Geist and Officer Auricchio thanking her for taking part in National Night Out on August 2nd.

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. Recreation Director announced she submitted her resignation to accept an amazing opportunity elsewhere. Her last day will be October 28th.

Old Business

1. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director met with DPW the week of May 16th as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:04 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Bob May.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be October 17th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for October 17, 2016

Chair Sherley Penrose opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Kevin Dotey
Cassius Kennick
Bob May
Sherley Penrose
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Dina Fornataro-Healey, Recreation Director
Noreen Wilpiseszski, New Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Rich Rutkowski made a motion to accept the September 2016 minutes with a second by Kevin Dotey and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

1. Christine DeNizzo – 7 Pearl Place, discussed her request for the MHS girls' softball team to have workouts during the winter. Commission discussed that these workouts cannot be exclusive to only the softball team and that no new programs were to be taken on without additional help for the Recreation Director. No decision has been made. This will be discussed further during the November meeting.

Directors Report

- Basketball Clinics is run by Jared Goldstein for 3rd – 8th graders on Mondays and Wednesdays at MHS from September 11th – November 16th. There are 41 children registered so far. Clinics for 9th – 12th graders with GRIT Basketball are running from September 30th to November 4th and there are 4 kids registered.
- Basketball registration forms were e-blasted and delivered to the schools. The deadline to register is October 28th. There are 22 kids registered so far.
- Bowling fall session will run from September 23rd to November 11th. There are 3 children registered.
- Buddy Ball has 6 children playing baseball and 3 children are cheerleading. Baseball runs from September 24th – October 15th.

- Yoga new session will run from October 17th until December 12th. There are 9 registered so far.
- Soccer has 237 children registered. Photo Day was October 3rd. The last game will be November 19th.
- Travel Basketball tryouts will be held on October 21st for boys in MHS and October 24th for girls at Mauger. Ball-U-Man will evaluate the tryouts for \$10 per child. Forms were made available on September 30th. The deadline to register is October 19th.
- Slide at Haverstick Park – steps on the dinosaur slide are damaged from years of wear and tear. The governing body has allocated capital funds to replace slide and we are just waiting for approval.
- Thank you for all who helped at the Fall Festival.

Councilmatic report –

1. Congratulations to the new Recreation Director.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Rich Rutkowski pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Cassius Kennick. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence –

1. Barbara Balentine and Jane Etsy sent a request for use of the building for their non denominational bible group. Commission agreed on this request as long as they do not endorse or subsidize.
2. Jared Goldstein sent a request for boys Summer Basketball League for grades 9-11. This would be held for 2 days a week for 5 weeks at MHS. Commission discussed that no new programs were to be taken on without additional help for the Recreation Director. No decision has been made. This will be discussed further during the November meeting.

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. Recreation Director asked for approval of employment of Laura Meixner as Toddler Instructor with an hourly rate of \$11.50 and working 12-15 hours per week. Motion to hire Laura Meixner at said hourly rate was made by Rich Rutkowski with a second by Lileen Schwarz. The roll was called and all were in agreement.
2. Recreation Commission cannot express enough thanks to the Recreation Director for everything she has done for the Recreation Department. She is wished nothing but success.

Old Business

1. Recreation Commission is still working on ways to resolve issue with closing west side of road in the back of MVP. Recreation Director met with DPW the week of May 16th as to where to put new signs and paint crosswalk.

Seeing no other old or new business, Commissioner Penrose read a statement advising residents that the approved minutes will be available on the Borough Website within three working days of the meeting and the agenda for the next meeting will be posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:15 p.m., Commissioner Rich Rutkowski made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Bob May.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be November 14th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary

Middlesex Recreation Commission
1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, NJ 08846
Commission Meeting Minutes for November 14, 2016

Vice Chair Rich Rutkowski opened the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Commission members present:

Cassius Kennick
Bob May
Rich Rutkowski
Lileen Schwarz
Rich Tarbous

Members Absent:

Kevin Dotey
Sherley Penrose

Also present:

John Madden, Council Liaison
Noreen Wilpiseski, Recreation Director
Mike Girvan, Assist. Recreation Director

Bob May made a motion to accept the October 2016 minutes with a second by Lileen Schwarz and approved by all members present.

Public Session:

1. Stephanie Pasquarella – 308 Harris Avenue, requested her son be placed on a different basketball team due a transportation problem. Commission agreed on this request.
2. Matt Adams – 1013 Beechwood Avenue, requested his son to play up on the 7th and 8th grade boy's recreation basketball team so he could coach this team. Commission denied his request.

Directors Report

- Basketball registration closed on October 28th. There are 164 kids registered so far. We are accepting wait list registration for most age groups. The coaches meeting will be held on December 1st.
- Yoga current session runs from October 17th until December 12th. There are 14 registered so far.
- Soccer last game will be on November 19th. Collection of equipment, distributing trophies and photographs to coaches will be done on November 19th at 3pm. Coaches have been notified by email.
- Travel Basketball boys tryouts were held on October 21st. The 5th and 6th grade team only has 12 boys register so everyone made the team. One child dropped

out so now there are 11 boys on the team. The 7th and 8th grade team had 17 register, 15 tryout and 12 made the team.

- Travel Basketball girls registration re-opened October 27th with the deadline to register on November 9th. Ball-U-Man will evaluate the tryouts for \$10 per child. As of now, 5th and 6th grade has 4 registered and 7th and 8th grade has 9 registered.
- Wrestling deadline to register was October 28th. There are currently 28 registered so far. The annual tournament is set for January 21, 2017.
- Toddler Program Disney on Ice tickets for November 20th is on sale now. There are 35 tickets sold so far and we have 100.
- Christmas Tree Lighting will be December 11th at 4pm at Mt. View Park.

Councilmatic report –

1. Councilman Madden stated at the October council meeting he brought up the need for a part time employee in the Recreation Department. He said the Mayor will speak to Sherley Penrose regarding this issue.

Trust Account and Account details report

Motion to accept made by Cassius Kennick pending the auditors' approval and seconded by Rich Rutkowski. Roll call was taken with all Commissioners approving.

Commission Committee reports- No reports

Board of Education Report - No representative

Correspondence – None

Volunteer nomination - None

New Business

1. The Commission approved the list of basketball coaches which were given by the Recreation Director pending they all are current with the Rutgers safety course, fingerprinting and submitted the signed policy. Motion was made by Bob May seconded by Cassius Kennick; roll call vote was taken, all in favor.
2. Policy Committee will meet at 6:30pm prior to the December meeting to review policy as required.

Old Business

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posted on the Recreation Bulletin Board no later than 48 hours prior to the monthly meeting.

At 8:40 p.m., Commissioner Cassius Kennick made a motion to adjourn seconded by Commissioner Bob May.

Next Recreation Commission meeting will be December 12th, 2016, 7:30 pm at the Recreation Center.

Minutes submitted by
Linda Chicarelli, Rec-Commission Secretary