

Mendham Borough Recreation Committee Minutes: February 20, 2025

In attendance: Dianne Ackerman (Chair), Rob D'Urso, Kristin Ackerman (Sr. Student Representative), Joe Carangelo (Student Representative), Tim McChesney, Matt Bruin (Councilmember, Parks and Recreation committee)

1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Minutes from January 16th meeting approved.
2. Appointment of Tim McChesney as Vice Chair.
3. Summer Concert Series Updates
 - a. Bands for 2025 Summer Concert Series are as follows:
 - i. June 29: Carnaby Street (60s Pop)- Rain date September 1
 - ii. July 13: Country Comfort (Country)- Rain Date August 17
 - iii. July 20: Catz N' Dawgs (Classic Rock)- Rain Date July 27
 - iv. August 10: This Old Engine (Grateful Dead Cover Band)- Rain Date September 14
 - v. Discussion of inviting local food vendors to concerts.
4. 2025 Summer Day Camp
 - a. As of today, there have been 42 Day Camp applications. Applications are due 2/28/25, most applications are submitted the week before the deadline.
 - b. Joe and Kristin volunteered to assist in collecting an inventory of all the equipment at the Carriage House.
 - c. Matt met with the Fire Department to discuss brining back Firetruck spray-overs. He also discussed inviting a police officer for a special event.
5. Recreation Booklet 2025
 - a. Sponsorships for Recreation Programs are currently being accepted for 2025. Any sponsorship obtained before the publication of the Recreation Booklet will get a free advertisement in the booklet.
6. Sports Fields Reservation Status
 - a. Sports Fields and Facilities Reservations will be made using the same program that has been used for Tennis Courts.
 - b. Local recreation teams and schools will get priority in reserving field use. Schedules will be required when making reservations. Aubrey will be monitoring reservations.
 - c. Discussion of travel teams/ for-profit groups using the fields.
7. Borough Park upgrades
 - a. Matt Bruin has been working with community groups to create a plan for improving Borough Park sports facilities. Projects include basketball court upgrades, Borough Park playground upgrades, and baseball field upgrades.

Next Meeting: 7:30 pm, Thursday, March 20th at the Garabrant Center