

A meeting was called to order by Chairman Nolan at 6:40 pm on April 13, 2010 at our recreation building located in Ventnor Heights at Surrey and Balfour Avenues in accordance with the sunshine law.

Present were: Lori Nolan, John Gallagher, Diane Birkbeck, Jan Sarnese, Bart Beck, Director Thomas and Commissioner Weintrob.

In the audience: Tim Kreischer

**Special Events Application:**

The Ventnor Shul Inc- Ron Mangle and Rabbi Rapaport were present to talk about their application. Jewish Summer Fest, held on August 22 with a rain date of August 29- 3- 10pm which would include set up and dismantling. From Newport Beach area by the gazebo up and including the parking lot behind the library at New Haven Ave and the area at New Haven beach. This would have to be roped off. They will do as they did last year—music, games for kids, a petting zoo- barbeque. The board had concerns about the petting zoo- they informed Rabbi Rapaport that if he received all approvals from the county health department to have this petting zoo, then the recreation board would approve the application then it would be passed on to the police department for their approvals. One concern also was that their insurance policy attached with their application along with there check, one for \$200 for security deposit and the other is a \$5 filing fee, since they are a Ventnor based organization.( no permit fee is required). The insurance police expire on Aril 21, 2010 they will have another policy that continues it will be sent to us on April 22, 2010.

Motion was made to approve application as long as the updated insurance in given and the approvals from the County Health Dept and the city are given by Lori Nolan and seconded by Diane Birkbeck.

**\*\*\*Commissioner Weintrob stated that he will contact public works director to make sure that they have everything they need the day of the event will be there.**

Director reports:

A letter that was drafted up for the Chairman of the board to sign in regards to asking for an amendment to the special events application ( 193-2) was discussed tonight and will be passed on to the governing body for their approval and change to be made.

Comm. Weintrob stated that he would like to see a Field Day started in Ventnor, fund raise to help offset some projects the board is looking to do this year. Pickets was a huge success at the CSURE playground, maybe do something like that.

Board members heard rumors and asked Comm. Weintrob about them, in regards to the fields. They heard that if a game is on the weekend, the fields will be lined and prepared on Friday but if for some reason it rains, or something else happens they the teams are on there own for get the fields ready,. There will be no overtime for city employees to come in over a weekend and redo the fields. Lori Nolan asked if volunteers can do the job if that would happen. Comm. Weintrob stated that he did not see a problem with that that he would find out from an insurance stand point.

Tim Kreischer asked who would be held responsible if someone got hurt. Comm. Weintrob answered he would find out and get back to the board.

Co-ed volleyball started – it had a nice turnout- they are from 18 and older.

Hutch basketball program receipts available for approval. The program made \$100 profit, only looking to break even, not make money on it. Motion was made to approve and accept the receipts after Treasurer Gallagher reviewed them by Diane Birkbeck and seconded by Jan Sarnese. All were in favor.

Comm. Weintrob wanted to run an idea to the board. He suggested that the arts & crafts program for the little kids (5 & 6 yr olds) be held at the Holy Family gym and then have cultural arts run it. Keep the older kids at the regular arts and crafts program with the city. Board member Nolan stated that not fair after the rec. dept got the camps to this point to just take it away from the instructors who have been doing it for years and give it to others. After some discussion with board members an idea was made to have the little kids 4-6 yr old stay with the city and possibly call it Elementary Games and then offer the older kids to go to Holy family where the cultural arts personnel would offer dance, hip hop , gymnastics. It's an idea to enhance the programs in the city. Comm. Weintrob and Director Thomas will have to meet with the cultural arts personnel and discuss this new idea.

Also stated last night the Superintendent Bonanni sent a letter to Director Thomas stating that the cafeteria will be available this summer for the art & crafts programs. There was the possibility of construction this summer but that has changed.

Stated again that looking to see

Arts & Crafts only change to:

5 & 6 year olds keep at the city's arts & Crafts programs. Older kids be offered to go through cultural arts for other programs such as dance, music, painting what ever kind of classes they would come up with that would agreeable with everyone.

Comm. Weintrob also stated he would love to see the board and others get involved and come to the workshops and commission meetings to know what is going on.

Public Portion opened at 8:20 pm

Tim Kreischer spoke stating that if there was never a library, cultural arts building built then this subject would never have the opportunity of being brought up to discuss.

Mr. Kreischer was thanked and a motion was made to adjourn the meeting by John Gallagher and seconded by Jan Sarnese. All were in favor.