

A meeting was called to order by Chairman Nolan at 6:35 p.m. on June 8, 2010 at the Ventnor City library located at 6500 Atlantic Ave. Notification was made in the Current newspaper.( due to the recreation building being used as a voting site)

Present: Lori Nolan, Diane Birkbeck., Jan Sarnese, Debbie Beirne, Bart Beck, A.J. Russo, Director Thomas, and Commissioner Weintrob.

#### Special Events Applications:

Quan Nyugen and Debbie Nehmad were present to discuss the Volleyball Tournament they run every year over the 4<sup>th</sup> of July weekend. Looking to have it July 3 & 4 and then add 2 more tournaments if possible, July 10 & 11 and July 24 & 25. They would be making a donation this year to Breast Cancer charity. The tournaments have been running for 23 years. They would be held at the Cambridge Ave area from 9am – 6pm. They are looking to have a small barbeque on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event only. Insurances and checks were provided. A motion was made to approve all three applications by Diane Birkbeck and seconded by Lori Nolan. All were in favor. The only thing that the director requested is a copy of the letter that they send the charity and a copy of the donation they send for the board's reference. Mr. Nyugen agreed. They did request extra trash cans on the beach the dates of the tournaments- Comm. Weintrob will inform public works.

#### 2nd Application:

Congregation Beth Judah. They are looking for 3 dates to have music and a little service on 3 Fridays, July 2, 2010, July 30<sup>th</sup>, and Sept 3. They have done this for the past 3 years and it has worked out well. Looking to use the gazebo and beach area at Newport Beach. From 5-8:30 pm and requested the outside public bathrooms be open. All checks and insurances are provided they are required to pay \$200 security deposit and \$5 filing fee since they are a "Ventnor" based religious organization. The board is comfortable with request since they have been doing the exact same thing past years and no problems what so ever, so a motion was made to approve application by Bart Beck and seconded by Debbie Beirne. All were in favor

#### Directors Report:

Camps registration has begun. Director Thomas just wanted to remind board members again that the registration fee went up total \$50 due to the bus situation for the camps (the city will not be providing transportation for the camps field trips, so the city will have to contract transportation for the field trips.

July 3d run is almost here, Rec. board sponsors it so the members need to be at the community building by 5:15-5:30 pm to help get things going. Don't forget, the more the merrier!!!

Memorial Day events went well; AAU and Men's Finals (baseball) did well between the two of the events \$1,900.00 was donated to recreation programs for the city. Director Thomas stated one check was received and is waiting for the other donation.

Commissioner Weintrob was present and wanted to remind the Rec. board members that they have an obligation to voice their concerns to the commissioners at public workshops and meetings. They should be present to speak about their concerns over the layoffs, furloughs etc that is happening in city hall. He also asked that the Recreation Trust be placed on the agenda for this weeks meeting. The Rec. trust is a very important factor for the programs the city runs, the money is there to use when needed for funding or rec. programs, repairs for the fields etc and that money does not come from the taxpayers.

Also he stated that several months ago, Board member Russo mentioned about getting a building erected solely on volunteers doing the labor for the athletic programs for storage, and meetings etc. This is something the rec board should come and speak about and get the feelings of the other commissioners to see about getting the building built with the money in the recreation department budget.

Mr. Russo stated that he has been in contact several times with our local builder and friend John VanDuyne and he has a lot of material already promised (donated) for this building to be built on the field. Just need an official go ahead from the City. Mr. Russo did state that he had a conversation with Mayor Kelly a couple of months ago after he presented the idea to the Rec. Board and she was very receptive about the idea, he didn't think there would be any problems with the other Commissioners. AJ Russo stated that he will again start working on moving forward with this project and if need be present a complete idea to all Commissioners and the public showing tentative plans and drawings.

Comm. Weintrob stated that he will get a hold of Mr. VanDuyne and our city engineer Matt Doran and set up a meeting for them to meet and discuss this project.

The Sports / Arts Camps have to replace several kids to help with the camps. The applications were discussed and 6 children were chosen, 3 girls and 3 boys. Director Thomas will inform the children.

Motion was made to approve the candidates by Jan Sarnese and seconded by Bart Beck

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Lori Nolan and Seconded by AJ Russo