

A meeting was called to order by Vice- Chairman Birkbeck at 6:30 pm on March 8, 2011 at our recreation building located in Ventnor heights at Surrey and Balfour Avenues in accordance with the sunshine law.

Present: Diane Birkbeck, John Gallagher, Debbie Beirne, Jan Sarnese and Director Thomas.

Motion was made to approve minutes for February meeting by John Gallagher and seconded by Debbie Beirne.

Special events Applications:

1. Application- Mary Ponzio present to request doing a run on the boardwalk 5 & 10k it would start at the Newport Avenue Library and go into Atlantic City on the boardwalk and turn around in AC and end at the library. Date is Sunday July 24, 2011 run to benefit crime stoppers in memory of her grandmother who was a strong advocate for crime stoppers. First time having the event. Looking to start at 8:30 am. Board member Beirne voiced her concern for this happening on a Sunday in the middle of the summer, it's crazy up there she stated. Logistically not a good idea for this time of year stated member Gallagher. The board recommended that they consider another time of the year, possibly Sept or October. The board suggested to table this event /run until Ms. Ponzio goes back to the other involved in the run and talk about changing the date, if they agree to another date, Ms. Ponzio will have to come back to the board and present the application again. She agreed.

2. Application-Chief David Wolfson(Margate) and Amy Smith and Nikky Meuse(Class Advisors)here to present application for AC Class of 2013 run. This is the second year they are here to ask permission for the run to take place. Date is April 6, 2011 at 10 am, it would begin at the Margate library go to Oxford Avenue in Ventnor, turn around there and end at the Margate Library. Margate Police has offered to assist with runners at Washington Avenue. Chief Wolfson has been in contact with Ventnor's Police Chief already with the details. Checks and insurances are included. Motion was made to approve application by Diane Birkbeck and seconded by Debbie Beirne. Motion carried.

Chief Wolfson stated that Margate has purchased a Time machine(for clocking runners times) and he has offered it to Ventnor whenever we would need it. Just contact him about it.

3. Application- Jewish Summer Festival 2011. Rabbie Rapaport and Ron Mangle. Date would be Sunday, August 14, 2011 and rain date of Sunday August 28, 2011. They will be using Newport and Newhaven beach areas as well as behind the library parking lot and the Newport gazebo. Rabbi stated that they WILL NOT be having a petting zoo. Ventnor Shul is a Ventnor based organization so they would not have to pay for the \$50 permit fee, so \$205 was received and an insurance police that expires in April. This is how their insurance company works we will however have a valid insurance policy well before the event takes place . The event would start around 5pm if allowed. And the setup would begin at 2pm with about 5 people and then more would arrive as the day goes on. Rabbi mentioned that he might have "vendors" come and show art work etc and wanted to know if that would be allowed. Board member Gallagher stated that they could come and exhibit items but in no way could they charge for someone buying these items on city property. He also stated that he,(Rabbi) could not charge the vendors for being there and using space for the event. Again Mr. Gallagher stated that they cannot

exchange money for services on city property. A motion was made to approve the event based on information above and Rabbi being aware no money can be exchanged while on city property by John Gallagher and seconded by Diane Birkbeck.

Question was brought up by one of the applicant: Can they advertise on the boardwalk, utility poles etc 1 day before the event ? The answer is NO , no advertising of any kind is suppose to be on the boardwalk, rails etc.

4. Application- Shirley Mae Run- May 7th, 2011 at 10am. It is a 10k it will start at the Trump Taj Mahal and come into Ventnor to Dorset Avenue, turnaround and go back to AC. This is the first time it would come into Ventnor , but they have been doing the event for years. Roberta Cincotti was representing the event to the board. Checks and insurances were included and it is before the summer season kicks off, the board had no problem with it. A motion was made to approve by Jan Sarnese and seconded by Diane Birkbeck. All were in favor.

Board member Birkbeck wanted to tell the board some good news. The GO Green event (August 6th) at 5pm is going into the Guinness World Book for the largest non powered event. So she wants to really advertise this event and get as many people as possible to enter. They are going to invite eco friendly vendors to come and show their wares--- no one will be able to purchase anything, just a chance to show eco friendly items.

Director's Report:

Director Thomas brought up an item that was mentioned at last month's meeting by Mayor Kelly. She had asked the board why the meetings are here at the recreation building and not at City Hall where all other meetings are held. Director Thomas said last month that the board would certainly consider this matter and discuss at next month's meeting. This month were only 4 board members so he really wanted to wait until next month(April) and make sure that all board members are present. He will make sure to inform all board members that a decision has to be made asap about this subject matter.

Fields – top soil is beginning to come in. Yesterday we received the first 25-28 tons to fill in the fields, we are getting about 300 tons. This hasn't been done in about 7-8 years he stated and really was starting to get dangerous so that is why this being done.

Night classes going well some late registrations so he will have a report ready for the board next month.

Yankee Bus Trip (April 30th) originally the price was \$70 but with gas prices etc rising quickly he was afraid that there would be a sur-charge placed on the trip and he didn't want to be caught short. So the price is now \$75 per ticket.

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Jan Sarnese and second by Debbie Beirne. Motion carried