

A meeting was called to order by Chairman Nolan at 6:30pm on July 12, 2011 at our recreation building located in Ventnor Heights at Surrey and Balfour Avenues in accordance with the sunshine law.

Present: John Gallagher, Bart Beck, Debbie Beirne, Lori Nolan, Director Thomas, Mayor Kelly and Diane Birkbeck arrived at 6:46pm.

Motion was made to approve June's minutes by John Gallagher and seconded by Bart Beck.

Thank you card was presented to board by Board member Gallagher.

Board member Beck talked about the Pirate Coaching staff and stated that all coaches including cheerleading have completed their applications as well as the NYSCA requirements.

Guests: Rich Mendell (Pres. of Little League) wanted to thank Director Thomas for all their support with the program. He wanted to talk about the email he sent regarding the fields and buildings, that some of them are in bad shape and need some attention. He also stated in his email that he wanted to see police presence because they have had some problems at the fields when games are going on.

Director Thomas said he will get together with the Director of Public Works and discuss Mr. Mendell's email and his concerns.

Mayor Kelly stated that she did talk to the Police Chief right after last month's meeting in regards to having more Police presence but she will again remind the Chief of the concerns stated tonight.

Director's report:

Ventnor Mile Fun Run very profitable this year. The board really thinks it's because they moved the run back to a Friday night instead of Saturday night as in the past few years. More people signed up. Profit from the run was roughly \$1,100.00 and did not have a DJ this year. Motion was made to approve monies and receipts etc from the Ventnor Mile run by Lori Nolan and seconded by John Gallagher.

** for next year the board will have to make a decision on what day the run will be for 2012 , 4th of July is a Wednesday in 2012.

Summer Camp Counselor (wages). The kids that work the camps as a counselor , the Director prepared and letter and sent it to the mayor and commissioners in regards to the wage scale given to the kids who work the camp for the 6 weeks.

First year employee gets \$6.75 per hour and then second year you get paid \$7.00 per hour. That was approved by board members last year. The CFO asked that a complete list be given to her in advance to hiring the staff so that she knows how many kids will be hired and what pay scale they will be getting.

At last month's board meeting, members asked for other quotes for replacing the fence at the girls softball field. 3 quotes were received. Director Thomas stated by replacing the fence and moving it to make it bigger it would then become a "legal" size field and the city could host tournaments and even high school games.

There was an issue that came up last year was coaches taking care of the fields when the city employees are not working.(on weekends) This would only happen possibly on a sat if there are games reschedule for some reason and there were games previously on the fields they would need to be relined for that game. Director Thomas talked to our insurance representative and he sent him a hold harmless liability form that could be filled out by that volunteer (adults only). Those people that would be allowed to do this would only be very few and they would be coaches. It would probably only affect the football games. The volunteers would only be able to drive an electric golf cart if needed, use a rake and use a field liner. These people would have to provide a valid D.L. and complete the hold harmless waiver form in advance for approval.

A motion was made to approve this by Diane Birkbeck and seconded by Lori Nolan.

Public Portion open- 7:25pm: no comment

Public portion closed 7:25pm

REMINDER:***Board member Birkbeck wanted to remind all board members about the **GO GREEN parade on August 6th**.***

Motion was made to adjourn meeting by Debbie Beirne and seconded by Bart Beck.