

A meeting of the Ventnor City Board of Recreation was called to order by Chairman, Bart Beck at 6:40 p.m. on March 14, 2006 at our recreation building in Ventnor Heights located at Surrey and Balfour Avenues in accordance with the Sunshine Law.

Present: Bart Beck, John Gallagher, Jan Sarnese, Sue Schall, Debbie Beirne and Director Thomas.

Guest: Peter Weaver here from ARC- Presenting a special events application. Wanted to introduce himself since he is new running the event. Same as last year, the date is May 20th 2006 a walk a thon on the boardwalk. Everything will begin and end at St. James Memorial Hall. Mr. Weaver just requested police and fire personnel on hand for precautionary measures. The Board secretary will pass along application to Chief Wodazak and Chief Sabo so that they are aware of the event and the requirements asked of.

A motion was made to approve application by John Gallagher and Seconded by Bart Beck.

A letter was read to the board by Director Thomas from Larry DiGiovanni requesting permission to use the VECC gym for an AAU girl's basketball tournament. Mr. DiGiovanni has done the same type of event in the past and he will fill out all proper paperwork with the school for their permission. Director Thomas also mentioned that the tournament does make a donation to whatever the Recreation Board sees appropriate. A motion was made to approve request by Jan Sarnese and Seconded by Sue Schall.

Director Thomas received a phone call in regards to the Miltenberger children that attend the Atlantic Riding School. Last year the Recreation Board made a suggestion to the Volleyball League, Debbie Nehmad is the representative that when they make their donations to their charities that they make an annual contribution to the riding school in the Miltenberger's name. Ms. Nehmad agreed and said they have no problem with doing that since the kids are local children living in Ventnor and their parents are very active volunteers in various city programs. There was a problem this summer with a misunderstanding between the Riding School and Ms. Nehmad—this year it will be corrected. So annually, Ryan and Michael Miltenberger will be able to attend the Riding School and the adult volleyball league will make a donation in their name to cover the cost each year that they attend the riding school. It was agreed by all parties.

Guest Barbara McKeever. Here to present her application for a triathlon. It will begin in Atlantic City and extend throughout the down beach area in to Somers Point and EHT. It is a 1500 m ocean swim in AC, 40k bike race through Ventnor, Margate and Longport and then off shore. Time is from 7 am until 11 am. It would be along Atlantic Ave. Ms. McKeever had a lot of questions in reference to our Police and she was directed to speak to the Chief of Police. The board secretary will pass on this request.

The recreation board made a motion to approve application as long as all municipalities approve it and all fees and insurances are met. Board thinks it's a great opportunity to have this kind of event down here. Motion made to approve by Debbie Beirne and seconded by Sue Schall **Application and all information will be passed on to Chief Wodzak to contact Ms. McKeever and discuss all concerns.**

Note**

Ms. McKeever fully understands that the board is only agreeing with the possibility of the event being held in this area but they will not approve the application unless the other municipalities approve it and the Police Chief approves.

Director Thomas read a letter from the City Administrator in regards to finger printing. Basketball- most of all coaches' volunteers etc have been done.

Football and Baseball they do not have federal tax id # and this seems to be where the problem is. Director Thomas stated that some how this has to be accomplished, the City is very definite about it being done

Bart Beck spoke in regards to Hutch league—going very smooth- the traveling team, all paperwork and deposits are in – very organized.

South Shore- 2 teams- they are from Margate and Ventnor- \$75 for registration. Originally it was just Ventnor and just Margate but not enough to make teams so joined together.

Board members John Gallagher wanted to commend the Hutch programs for being so organized in getting all paperwork and deposits returned in a very timely manner.

Director Thomas stated that the dance classes they have in the evenings are extremely popular.

Chairman Beck stated that Hutch will be finished at the end of this month.

Chairman Beck & Director Thomas wanted to bring something to the boards Attention. In regards to the SCORE program and activities outside of school. If a child is suspended from school for any reason, both men feel that they should not be able to participate in any outside activity or sport. Chairman Beck stated that he was speaking to Carmine Bonanni, Superintendent of the VECC and said that he would be give a list of children that this happens to so if they come to a evening program like Hutch, they will

be asked to leave for that evening due to them being suspended from school that day. The recreation board totally agrees that a children should not be rewarded by playing a activity if they were in trouble at school. The recreation board agreed totally with the schools decision and will support that.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Sue Schall and Seconded by Jan Sarnese

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Kedziora

CC: Mayor Kreischer Recreation Board members
Commissioner Vespertino Director Thomas
Commissioner Schafer
Andrew McCrosson