

A meeting was called to order at our recreational complex located at Surrey & Balfour Avenues at 6:30pm on Tuesday, August 8, 2023.

Present: Diane Birkbeck, Paul Hydro, Joe Iannuzzelli, Klaudia Advena and, new Recreational Leader Diana Logue

Introduction of Diana Logue: She has stepped in with the title of Recreation Leader. Diana has worked for the city the past 4 summers as a Beach Badge supervisor. Recently, she has been splitting her time between Special Events and Recreation. Diana transferred full time into Rec Dept. when Diane Birkbeck backed away from helping the recreation department at the almost end of the summer season.

Motion was made to approve minutes of July 2023 by Klaudia Adena and seconded by Paul Hydro. Motion carried.

A Great big shout out to Diane Birkbeck for all your help!!!!

Rec Board welcomes Diana Logue as Recreation Leader

Reminder to all: 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Mangia! Mangia! Pasta Dinner will take place on September 24, 2023. Duration of the event is from 1-5pm and is a family style dinner with the meal served at 2pm. Tickets are currently being sold on rec desk.

July 3<sup>rd</sup>: Ventnor Mile Run was very successful. Net profit roughly \$1,630.00. Thank you to Ocean First Bank for being a sponsor (\$1,500.00).

Marine Science Camp: Started 8/14/2023. This is the first year Ventnor is offering it and was very successful. Had a maximum of 24 spots and filled all of them, plus a waitlist. The Camp was very organized. One week camp that charged \$425 and runs Mon-Fri. Founder of the Camp (Sherri) sends an email each day to the parents recapping that day's activities. They are doing an 80/20 split with the city. Ms. Logue suggested that due to having a waitlist and the popularity of the camp, offer more than one week for Summer 2024. The Rec Board agreed to this suggestion. She will contact them to secure for next year.

Fall Baseball & Ventnor Pirates Football getting ready to start

Volleyball: Tim Newkirk runs adult volleyball league and has discussed using RecDesk. Diana will meet with Ron Fenton from the VECC to go over all the details and talk about all the forms that are needed to be filled out to use the school for this school year. She will also talk to Lisa Wilson.

Also, a new business in Margate, the Paint Place called the Mayor's office asking to team up with the city for an after school program with the kids. They were instructed to speak to Ms. Logue and then of course to Sue VanDuyne the Cultural Arts Dir. to see what she will be offering the kids in Ventnor this year. We want to keep programs in Ventnor first.

Sports Camp: Has not finished yet so no wrap up report available at this meeting. Next month it will be available

Maddie and Leandra, Sports Camp Directors, worked very well together this season. They did ask for when the Rec Board interviews for the Jr Counselors' positions, if they can sit in on the interviews or provide their input on the resumes of the candidates. Rec Board said they will consider their requests. Maddie and Leandra stated that since they had some of the applicants before as campers and worked the camp they have a better feel on how they would fit on being a Jr. counselor.

Joe Collins wants to have a men's league baseball tournament (NABA). There would be 3 to 4 games per day over Labor Day weekend. Would need to pay fees and insurance, pay lining fees etc. Has done in the past. Motion was made to approve if all paperwork, fees, and insurances are in order. Motion made by Joe Iannuzzelli and seconded by Diane Birkbeck. All were in favor.

Diana wanted to bring to the board's attention there was a camp that went around the system. On RecDesk the camp was set up with a wait list. There were 26 kids on that wait list since March 2023. The director running that camp for us allowed a parent/child to sign up NOT even being on the waitlist as set up on rec desk, therefore going around all the other kids on wait list as set up. Director running the camp for the City stated that he didn't care about a waitlist and was going to do what he wanted to do, in so many words.

Rec Board members weren't happy about this. Diana is going to speak to this Camp Director as he runs this camp on behalf of the City under the City's name etc. He is expected to follow the guidelines like all other camps.

Diane Birkbeck stated again that the administration was moving toward any camp that is done for the city or in the city will be an 80/20 split starting in 2024.

Funky Pickle: The Rec Board strongly thinks that funky pickleball should be moved to possibly Sept. No reason to have it in July. They are very good to the city they made generous donation to offset cost of music fest but still think to have it in Sept to bring people in to the town or keep them longer here. Diane Birkbeck said she would discuss these concerns with Commissioner Kriebel.

Motion to adjourn meeting by Paul Hydro and seconded by Klaudia Advena. All in favor.