

RECREATION COMMITTEE
4:00 p.m., Monday, August 5, 2013

The regular meeting of the Recreation Committee was held at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, August 5, 2013 in the City Hall Conference Room, 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, South Carolina. Attending the meeting were Councilmember Carroll and Thomas, Chair Bergwerf, Administrator Tucker, Recreation Director Page, Assistant to the Administrator Dziuban and City Clerk Copeland.

1. Chair Bergwerf called the meeting to order and acknowledged that the press and public had been duly notified of the meeting in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

2. **Approval of Previous Meeting's Minutes**

MOTION: Councilmember Carroll moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 9, 2013 as submitted; Councilmember Thomas seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **Citizens' Comments – None**

4. **Department Report for July 2013 – Director Page**

Director Page noted that many of the classes that are discontinued for the summer will resume in September. Adult softball 3-on-3 basketball, 6-on-6 soccer and table tennis are registering for fall leagues. The 15th Annual Half-rubber Tournament is scheduled for August 17th and 18th; information is available on the City's website. In youth sports, registration continues for lacrosse, soccer and volleyball with practices to begin the last week of August. Spike Nights volleyball clinics will continue through the month of August; with the help of Laura Togami and Alexis Glover, Wando volleyball coach, the Department is going to have a girls' volleyball league for those wanting to play recreationally. The Department has had camps for volleyball, lacrosse and soccer that have had good participation. Due to low participation, the senior aerobics class will not continue in the fall, but a new program will take its place for the island's seniors. Public Safety Department Fitness training continues to be successful; in July thirty-one (31) employees participated – an average of seven (7) personnel per class. Tennis classes will start again in August. Yoga and Zumba continue to be successful programs for the Rec Center. Camp Summershine ended on August 2; a total of four hundred seventy-eight (478) children attended, and four hundred forty (440) were islands residents. The Employee Wellness Program will be September 26th; a second Wellness Wacky Golf outing is scheduled for Wednesday, August 21st. Director Page reported that, in addition to the duties listed for the Community Specialist, she also enters the names, addresses and emails of all of the visitors to the island who go to City Hall for t-shirts into the City's e-newsletter database; July was a banner month with a stack of pages two to three (2-3) inches thick to be entered. A cracked window had to be replaced in the Palmetto Room had to be replaced; there was no obvious reason for the crack. The HVAC in the lobby was replaced under the FY14 budget and repairs were done to a second unit. The Director was happy to report that Nick Bako has returned to work. Personnel continue to white line Palm Boulevard and delineating the fifteen (15) feet radius for fire hydrants in the middle of blocks; Recreation personnel have, also, assisted Public Works with mowing the rights-of-way. In the month of July, the Department generated three (3) hours of overtime, and the building was open for three hundred forty-nine (349) hours.

Councilmember Carroll commented that he had seen in either *The Island Eye* or *The Moultrie News* that the new mayor of Sullivan's Island had acknowledged the Isle of Palms Recreation Department now registering Sullivan's Island children at the same time as Isle of Palms children for sports activities.

Administrator Tucker expressed Director Pitts' thanks for the assistance the Recreation Department has been to him in recent weeks.

5. Old Business – None

6. New Business

Consideration of Request from East Cooper Crafter's Guild

Administrator Tucker explained that, although this item is on this agenda, if the Committee decides to work with the Crafter's Guild, the subject will also appear on a Public Safety agenda.. This is the outgrowth of an activity that is inconsistent with the City's zoning and on which the City had to intervene; the Administrator reminded the Committee of what had looked like a yard sale at the Lutheran church. Initially, City staff thought it was a church function, but learned that it was not. Director Kerr met with them and explained the problem and what options were available to them for such an activity to continue; that dialogue is what prompted the letter that was included in the meeting packet.

Pursuant to a phone conversation earlier in the day between Director Page and Mr. Strange, Director Page learned that the Crafter's Guild is no sure just what activity they want to offer. The Director suggested that she meet with Mr. Strange, Ms. Grant and Director Kerr to decide what they want to do and how their activity could possibly be incorporated with a City activity. Once they have a proposal, the subject will again appear on the agenda.

Administrator Tucker explained that they will either have to hold their activity in the Commercial District or on City property as a City-sponsored event.

7. Miscellaneous Business

Next Meeting Date: 4:00 p.m., Monday, September 9, 2013 in the Conference Room.

8. Adjourn

MOTION: Councilmember Carroll moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:20 p.m.; Councilmember Thomas seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted:

Marie Copeland
City Clerk