

RECREATION COMMITTEE

Isle of Palms, South Carolina

June 12, 2007

The regular meeting of the Recreation Committee was held at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 12, 2007 in the Recreation Center, #24 Twenty-eighth Avenue, Isle of Palms, South Carolina. Present were Chairwoman Rice, Committee members Councilwoman Hanbury and Councilman Buckhannon, Recreation Director Page, City Administrator Tucker and City Clerk Copeland.

1. Call to order. Chairwoman Rice called the meeting to order and stated that members of the press and the public had been duly notified in accordance with State and Federal law.

2. Approval of Previous Month's Minutes.

MOTION: Councilwoman Hanbury moved to approve the May 8, 2007 minutes as presented; seconded by Councilman Buckhannon; MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. Citizens' Comments.

There were no citizens' comments.

4. Recreation Department Report.

Recreation Director Page reviewed the May 2007 monthly report (**Exhibit A**) and answered Committee members' questions. She began her comments by reminding the Committee that many of the continuous programs are winding down for the year. The attendance at the senior exercise program has dwindled, but it will continue through the summer, as well as dog obedience and Tae Kwon Do. The beginner ballet class had its recital, and pictures are included in the Photo Gallery on the website. Tiny Tots had their graduation with Mayor Sottile and Chairman Rice handing out diplomas and shirts. The ballroom dancing programs have not been very successful. The Total Body Challenge is going very well; the current program runs Tuesday through Friday, but it will soon start a Monday class. The Yoga classes are small, but Director Page does believe that it is very productive for those who do attend. Both youth gymnastics and Mommy & Me have ended for the summer. Keenagers had their last monthly meeting in May, but continue the Lunch Bunch the second Wednesday of every month; regular meetings will resume in September. Camp Summershine is a real success; Chairman Rice commented on the fact that there are three hundred thirty-seven (337) Isle of Palms residents participating. At the blood drive, thirteen (13) productive units were collected.

Director Page reported that Laura has been especially busy getting the camps up and running and the Public Service Announcements out. She added that RecTrac is going

very well; she looks forward to presenting the reports to the Committee indicating the participation of island residents, as well as other relevant information.

The Director reported that participation in the Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting Contest had gone very well with forty-six (46) teams participating; she was very pleased with the prizes. Again this year, judging was slow, but it is an issue the department will continue to look for ways to improve. The young adult category, persons between the ages of 15 and 19, is one that the Director predicts will be a big hit in future years. Included in the Monthly Report is a list of the winners of each category.

Despite the tropical depression, Director Page recounted that "Piccolo Spoleto Goes to the Beach" attracted over 300 people in the evening and over 100 children in the afternoon.

On the subject of the Beach Run on the calendar for July 21, Director Page related that the pre-event schedule looks to be very much on target.

As for the Half Rubber Tournament, Director Page is trying to secure more sponsors this year so that it will not be a big expense to the Department; Councilwoman Hanbury suggested the business, My Favorite Things, might be a possible source of funds.

The 3-on-3 Basketball has concluded, but spring softball will be completed on June 25 with a tournament to follow.

In the area of Youth Sports, the Director noted that both T-ball and baseball have completed their seasons. She was very pleased with the assistance the Recreation Department received from both the Fire and Police Departments to make the Bicycle Safety Rodeo successful. There is a waiting list for basketball camp, but some spaces are open for the girls' volleyball clinic. Director Page stated that plans are currently not complete for the co-ed soccer clinic scheduled for early August.

Fast Start is the fall soccer program; registration will be August 6-10. The Department is also planning soccer for 5-12 year olds.

On the subject of general operations, Director Page commented that work continues on the website. She has also been in conversations with the City Attorney and David Matthews of Harbor Contracting to secure a letter of guarantee and a detail of work completed during the floor installation. She reported that as of June 11, all department positions have been filled. Employee training continues with the safety audit in mind that will take place in August.

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Director Page responded to Councilman Buckhannon, who questioned the drop in enrollment in Tae Kwon Do, that interest in the sport has decreased in general.

Chairman Rice voiced her excitement over the volleyball clinic planned for July and was interested in having additional ones throughout the year.

5. Old Business - None

6. New Business: Update Regarding Institute of Business Publications

Administrator Tucker stated that this was a topic she had requested to be placed on the agenda primarily because it has been referred to legal. The situation is one where Director Page received a notice from a collection agency demanding payment, including late fees, from the City for a publication she had not ordered; the total bill is \$267.00. After trying most unsuccessfully to resolve the matter, Administrator Tucker forwarded the information to City Attorney Mike Daniel who has sent this agency a stinging letter on the matter.

7. Miscellaneous

Next Meeting: 5:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 7, 2007.
Should a situation arise in July, there will be a called meeting.

8. On a motion from Councilman Buckhannon, the meeting was duly adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Carol Rice, Chairwoman