

RECREATION COMMITTEE
4:00 p.m., Thursday, July 12, 2012

The Recreation Committee held its regular meeting at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 12, 2012 in the Conference Room of City Hall, 1207 Palm Boulevard, Isle of Palms, South Carolina. Attending the meeting were Councilmember Thomas and Ward, Chair Bergwerf, Recreation Director Page and City Clerk Copeland; a quorum was present to conduct business.

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 Thomas moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 13, 2012 as submitted; Councilmember Ward seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

Chair Bergwerf took this opportunity to inform the Committee that new state legislation on the Freedom of Information Act prohibits the addition of any subject to an agenda once the agenda is posted and printed.

3. Citizens' Comments – None

4. Departmental Report for May/June 2012 – Director Page

Director Page noted that spring softball is over and registration of the fall will begin soon; table tennis is such a hit that the program will continue through the summer and fall with a singles and a doubles league. New for the summer is an adult 6-on-6 soccer league made up of eight (8) teams. The Annual Half Rubber Tournament will be held on Saturday, August 18th. Dodge ball is so popular with the island youths that it has been added to the School's Out Activities, and games will be played once a month. Soccer is offered for ages 5 through 12. The Isle of Palms Beach Run is scheduled for Saturday, July 28th; there are more early registrants than ever before. The girls' volleyball clinic was a huge success with thirty-seven (37) participants. Lacrosse is definitely catching on in the Lowcountry; fifty-one (51) boys and twenty-two (22) girls attended the camps for ages 7 to 18. The last Middle School Dance was held in May with two hundred thirty (230) young people attending. As always, the Piccolo Spoleto Sand Sculpting event was a great success with forty-six (46) teams. Many of the attendees for the comedian/magician "Great Scott" were visitors to the island. The Biggest Loser contest continues as part of the Employee Wellness Program; the May winner was Laura McLellan from General Government and the June winner was Christina Willson from the Recreation Department. The *Moultrie News* did a nice story on the additions to the Dog Park.

5. Old Business

Update on Ball-field and tennis/basketball courts lighting

Director Page reported that SCE&G has completed its work, and MUSCO indicates that they should have the lights installed and programmed in approximately thirty (30) days and before softball season begins.

6. New Business

A. Consideration of Offering Beach Volleyball

Chair Bergwerf remarked that Bobby Ross has started his league through the Windjammer; she stated that Mr. Ross would like very much to have Director Page involved.

Director Page indicated that many challenges come into play with having off-site activities, from not having the proper equipment to supervision; in addition, there is the question of where the liability falls when on someone else's property. The Director noted that to do this would be stretching her existing staff as well, but she would be interested in hosting a one-time event.

Director Page reported that she has not received any calls from island residents asking her to add beach volleyball to the activities offered by and at the Recreation Center.

Chair Bergwerf said the Committee would continue to keep the sport on their radar.

B. Consideration of Award of Contracts in Excess of \$10,000

Award of a contract to Charleston Fitness in the amount of \$13,000 for budgeted fitness equipment

MOTION: Chair Bergwerf moved recommend to City Council the award of a contract in the amount of \$13,000 for budgeted fitness equipment; Councilmember Thomas seconded and the motion PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. Miscellaneous Business

Next Meeting Date: 4 p.m., Thursday, August 9, 2012 in the Conference Room.

8. Adjourn

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

Respectfully submitted:

Marie Copeland
City Clerk