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ANSONIA RECREATION COMMISSION

June 2, 2010

Regular Meeting

Present: Al Smith, Chairman
Steve Kichar
Tom Lynch
Jamie Puro
Sean Rowley

Absent: Paul Mengold
Lynda Williams

Others Present: Jeff Coppola, Recreation Director

The regular meeting of the Ansonia Recreation Commission was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Smith.

All present rose and Pledged Allegiance to the Flag.

The secretary called the roll.

The chair declared a quorum present.

Public Session

There was no one present from the public.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to close the public session. Mr. Puro seconded. All in favor, so carried.

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Director's Reports

Baseball

There is no one present this evening and the Commission did not receive their monthly financial report.

Softball

There is no one present this evening and the Commission did not receive their monthly financial report.

Soccer

Chris Sheehy was present. He asked the commission to defer Soccer until Mr. Velardi arrives.

Basketball (Boys & Girls)

Mr. Coppola said there is no Basketball report.

Football

Mr. Fred Williams and Mr. Jon Chryzanowski were present.

Mr. Williams gave a brief report to the commission members. He reviewed the package of information that was forwarded to the members.

Mr. Williams said there are 80 boys and 75 girls registered for AYF football. The totals are down however there is still a month and a half to register.

Mr. Williams said he is asking for permission to hold a Raffle for equipment and uniforms because they were left with nothing when the former Executive Board left. He said they need some equipment and uniforms.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to grant permission to Mr. Williams, President AYF to hold raffles and fundraisers to help keep the programs operating. Mr. Puro seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Williams asked if they could hold a Car Wash at Nolan Field on June 13, 2010 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. They want to hook up to the water facet also.

Mr. Rowley said the AHS Group has a car wash at Nolan Field also and he doesn't want to have a conflict with their fundraiser.

Mr. Williams said he will check with Coach Brockett to make sure there is no conflict with the date.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to grant permission to Mr. Williams, President AYF to hold a Car Wash at Nolan Field on June 13, 2010 from 12:00 noon to 4:00 p.m. as long as there are NO conflicts with the AHS programs and activities. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Budget

Mr. Kichar asked Mr. Coppola to reach out to BOAT because they did not allot the football program enough funding for the year.

Mr. Kichar stated that the Commission has never received a report for the Concession Stand from the AYF Staff who ran it for the year long season. He suggested that the Commission write a letter to Corp. Counsel advising him of the money that was collected in the concession stand and that a report has not been presented to the Commission. He said that Mr. Coppola has contacted them a number of times (over 30) and they have ignored his requests.

Mr. Coppola said that he received a check for \$575 and they gave the sponsorship banners and trophies to him. He said he has a pick up at their home and he will ask for an end of the year bank statement. He said if the Commission wants a report, they may be unsure of how to prepare one.

Chairman Smith said to send them a letter first to see what the answer is from them regarding the submission of a report for the year for the concession stand.

Mr. Kichar said that Mr. Coppola has asked them numerous times for the report – why do we have to ask again.

Chairman Smith said it is protocol. This should have been done months ago when we first discussed it.

Discussion followed.

Mr. Puro said that he was here three months ago and it was discussed by the Commission to send a letter or something to get this report.

Mr. Kichar said that Softball didn't send in a report. We should shut them down – no report then no concession stand. We have guys here that do what they are supposed to do and we have these people who do what they want.

Mr. Coppola said he will call Corp. Counsel Blake and ask him what to do about the Financial Report for the Concession stand.

Mr. Puro said maybe we should call and have a new lock put on the Concession Stand.

Mr. Williams said that he received an E-mail today from Steve Cavanaugh stating he is stepping down. He said that the Board has given him chance after chance over the last few months and today he was called for his report and he said he would be resigning his post. He said his work schedule doesn't leave him much time.

Mr. Williams said that he and Jon will cover the duties until a replacement is found. He has posted the job and has already received some inquiries.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to approve the Football Camp (flyer received) to be held on June 5, 2010 at Nolan Field. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Reports: Soccer

Mr. Paul Velardi has arrived at the meeting.

Mr. Velardi sent in his report that was included in the packet.

Mr. Velardi said that the season will end on June 21, 2010. Mr. Sheehy has arranged a link to the City of Ansonia web site.

Mr. Velardi asked what the procedure is and if it is allowed to invite vendors for the Abe Stone Field fence.

Mr. Coppola said that all of the programs do that – they have vendor signs which they put up on the fence and then take down.

Chairman Smith advised him to sit down with Mr. Coppola and find out what the other programs are doing.

Mr. Kichar said that if it is to raise money for the programs it is fine.

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Mr. Velardi said that he will be holding Fall Registration for Soccer at the Armory on June 16 and June 17.

Mr. Velardi asked for permission to allow Boy Scout Troop 105 from Holy Rosary Church to do an Eagle Scout project to put towards their Eagle Scout requirements. They called him and told him of their project and they will replace the seats, clear the brush, etc. at the Soccer field at Nature Center.

Mr. Rowley said that Ms. Lindgren allows this type of project and she has done it in the past for Eagle Scouts.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to allow the Eagle Scout participants from Boy Scout Troop 105, Holy Rosary Church to do the proposed work at the Nature Center toward their Eagle Scout requirements. Mr. Rowley seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Velardi said that soccer is almost finished and they will use the money that is left for trophies and ice cream at the end of the season. He said that the April and May referee invoices have been turned into Mr. Coppola and the City. The June referee fees will be about \$1100 and he will get them to Mr. Coppola as soon as possible.

Mr. Velardi said he has submitted his Financial summary to the Commission in this months packet and he has e-mailed it to Mr. Miller, Comptroller.

Mr. Kichar asked if Ansonia is using Emmett O'Brien fields.

Mr. Velardi said we do. Our travel program is without a field for the Youth 12 players so we are borrowing their field and goals. They are lining the field.

Mr. Rowley said if they want to use the field in the Fall they will have to check with Emmett O'Brien.

Mr. Velardi said the Soccer Program preference is the Ansonia Nature Center field. They can't use the lower field yet.

Mr. Kichar thanked Mr. Velardi for all he has done for the youth and for the Soccer program.

Reports: Donna Lindgren, ANC Director

Donna Lindgren is not present this evening.

There was no report submitted.

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Reports: Jeff Coppola, Recreation Director

Jeff Coppola is present.

Fishing Clinic

Mr. Coppola said that DEP held the Fishing clinic and it went very well. On the first day there were 20 kids, the second day 30 kids and the third day 40 kids.

DEP will stock Colony Pond again because of the enthusiasm received from the participants.

Baseball Trip

Mr. Coppola said that Mr. Blake is handling the two people who did not pay for the baseball trip last August.

Restructure – Recreation Commission Programs

Mr. Coppola asked if the Commission could vote on allowing the Recreation Commission programs to keep their registration fees beginning July 1, 2010.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to allow the Recreation Commission programs to keep their registration fees beginning July 1, 2010 (Fiscal Year 2010-2011). A Financial Report must be submitted each month. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Minutes

Mr. Kichar made a motion to accept as written and place on file the minutes of the April 6, 2010 meeting. Mr. Rowley seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Kichar said the minutes of the May 4, 2010 meeting, there was no quorum.

Bills

There was a discussion on the payment of the bills and invoices for the month of June. It was decided that Mr. Coppola should submit his bills for payment because it is the end of the fiscal year and there is no meeting before June 30th.

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Mr. Kichar said that approval will be as follows: Mr. Coppola prepares the bills for payment. Mr. Kichar signs off on the Req. form and Mr. Coppola brings it to Finance for a Purchase Order. Once the Invoice is received or if there is an invoice – Mr. Coppola will bring the “Receiving Copy” of the PO down to the Mayor’s office for final approval.

There was discussion on the above and all members agreed to the procedure.

Mr. Kichar made a motion to allow Mr. Coppola to pay all bills and invoices that have to be paid before June 30, 2010. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Mr. Coppola said that his mileage requisition for \$25 per week for gas was not paid for April and May. He is asking for June mileage in advance because of the end of the year closeouts.

Mr. Kichar said that this was discussed and approved at one of our meetings a few months ago. He will stop in and see what happened.

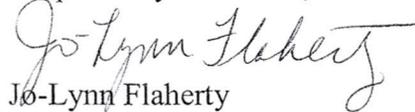
Mr. Kichar asked if Mr. Coppola can transfer funds from some of the other line items into the line items that are short on funds in this new budget 2010-2011 because there is a shortage in football line.

Mr. Coppola said that it would have to be approved by BOAT. He said he will meet with Mr. Kichar to go over the lines that he wants to make transfers in.

Adjourn

Mr. Rowley made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Lynch seconded. All in favor, so carried.

Respectfully submitted,



Jo-Lynn Flaherty
Secretary