

**Start time: 7:00pm**

**Meeting at City Hall Council Chambers**

Attendees present were: Mr. Peretti, Mr. Gomez, Mr. Clay, Mr. Scarpa, Mr. Hameed-El and Commission Solicitor Mr. Jeff Medio, Esq

Also present were Secretary Stephanie Tamagni, Brett Scarpa and Dale Elbeuf from the Recreation Dept.

Not present were Mr. Medio, Mr. Peale and Mr. Al Vargas

**Approval of minutes from May 6, 2024-** Mr. Scarpa motion to approve, Mr. Clay second it.

**Public Comment-** Mr. Peretti motion to open public comments, Mr. Clay second it.

**Pat McGrory of EVLL stated playoffs have started and they had a great season.**

**Wilson Polanco of NVLL said they had their first homerun derby, junior fun day and they are planning a banquet for the first time in years.**

**Derrick Williams VMFL told us that they started up the 1<sup>st</sup> all girls flag football team and they are trying to grow it to become bigger. He also thanked the Recreation dept for all their help.**

**Chris Wilson & Mr. Jones representing Cumberland County stated they gave out \$1,500 in rewards to 2 kids (\$750 each). Also would like us to take a look at the pavement on the courts at Landis Park saying they are in bad shape. VHS gym was named after Mr. Harvard and they would like to start up a small Basketball League in honor of him as well, free for all kids with uniforms provided approx 4-5 weeks long in the month of July. He also asked if the Community pool could be opened sooner as it's not just for the kids once school lets out, it is for the Community.**

Dale asked if everyone had a chance to look over the police report from an incident that happened with NVLL. Mr. Gomez was saying there is no accountability for these kids these days and they are out of control. Wilson Polanco said the players have been suspended indefinitely. Mr. Clay wanted to know what the league has done to prevent this from happening and Mr. Polanco said they are going to coach better and would like some guidance from the Recreation Committee. Mr. Clay doesn't think the season should go on and the season should be done and just reward the kids who weren't involved at their banquet.

### **Recreation Department Update**

- a. Report on League Updates:
  - i. Babe Ruth Softball District Tournament 6/14-6/17 (18 teams) and Mid-Atlantic Regional Tournament on 7/4-7/7 (30 teams)
  - ii. VBA has 388 players registered; starting a new girls division; season starts 6/24

- iii. Blitz's flag football season ended Sunday; VMFL starts co-ed flag on 6/8 and ends the middle of July.
- b. Facilities Maintenance Updates:
  - i. A wall was installed at VMFL's clubhouse to create storage area for equipment
  - ii. Outfield fencing was installed on three fields at Memorial School
  - iii. Carl Arthur pool was emptied and cleaned; Landi Pools will be changing the sand in the filter and installing a chair lift in the next couple of weeks. Pool should be open by June 19.
- c. Financial Report:
  - i. General Recreation Commission (RC) account balance is \$23,658.36
  - ii. Recreation Fields (RFF) account balance is \$34,493.90.
  - iii. May 2024 deposits: \$2,650
  - iv. May 2024 expenses:
    - Starr General \$4,005 for portable toilets
    - Reuben Hardware \$2,592.70 for various supplies
    - Trugreen \$569.70 for treatments at Romano Park
    - SJ Welding \$18 for tank rental
    - Lee Rain \$274.02 for irrigation supplies
    - Lowe's \$1,017.46
    - Sherwin Williams \$39.58 for pool paint
    - Coia's Garden Market \$324.99 for Memorial Day flowers
    - Bolster Hardware \$551.60 for lime
    - Bottino's \$802.50 for playground mulch
    - Tri City Paper \$120.50 for office supplies
    - SJ Overhead door \$1,900 for shed door
    - SJ Litho \$21.86 for stamp
    - Babbitt Manufacturing \$759.90 for press box at Cunningham Park
    - Ricoh \$158.12 for copier
    - Memphis Net \$1,115.86 for baseball netting at Mill/Walnut
    - LaTorre Hardware \$301.89 for tools/key
    - Anova \$2,020 for picnic table
    - Central Turf Irrigation \$740.66 for backflow kit/sprinkler heads
    - Mary Barner \$204 for Polaha picture framing
    - G & G Athletic Wear \$33,843.20 for wrestling mats
    - AK Athletics \$339.90 for post padding

## **OLD BUSINESS-**

- a. **Giampietro Park playground quote \$101,506.56**

## **2. NEW BUSINESS (Votes Required)**

**Bill Dechen has retired after 45 years and they have appointed Kevin Cavagnaro to take over Bill's position.**

**Polaha will be honored in July at the Senior Center.**

1. Mr.Scarpa motion approval of minutes from May, Mr. Clay second it.	All voted yes, Mr. Hameed-El abstained.
2. Mr.Peretti motion to open public comments, Mr. Clay second it.	All in favor
3 Mr. Scarpa motion to close public comments, Mr. Clay second it.	All voted yes
4 The committee voted on approval for a new playground for Giampietro Park Mr. Scarpa motion and Mr. Peretti second it.	All in favor
Motion to close by Mr.Scarpa , Mr. Peretti second it	Meeting was 41 minutes long.  7:41pm close

**The next meeting is scheduled for July 1, 2024**