

VINELAND RECREATION COMMISSION Monday, January 6, 2025 7:00PM

Start time: 7:00 pm Meeting at City Hall Council Chambers

Attendees present were: Mr. Peretti, Mr. Peale, Mr. Gomez, Mr. Clay, Mr. Vargas, and Commission Solicitor Mr. Jeff Medio.

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

Not present was Mr. Scarpa, Mr. Hameed-El, and Mr. Eugene Medio.

- 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES December 2, 2024 Mr. Clay motioned and Mr. Peale seconded.
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT Mr. Peretti motioned to open public comments and Mr. Peale seconded it.
 - a. Derrick Williams, president of VMFL, thanked everyone for their support and for a smooth first year as president. He brought up the parking situation at Normandie Park during game days and how chaotic it is. Derrick said that it has become a safety concern with all the kids present and cars everywhere. He would like to convert the tennis courts into parking lots if possible to alleviate the problem. This topic had been brought up in years past. Mr. Jeff Medio told him that the courts could not be repurposed for twenty years since they were finance with a Green Acres grant. He said he would look into seeing if the twenty years has passed and, if it has, we could speak about the project further. Mr. Williams also brought up possibly getting a playground installed because the child care center asked him to keep kids off of their playground.

3. RECREATION DEPARTMENT UPDATE

- a. Report on League Updates:
 - i. VSA registration is now open for spring season
 - ii. Mini-wrestling's Beef and Beer event on 1/31 @ Five Points Inn
 - iii. Baseball registrations start this month
- b. Facilities Maintenance Updates:
 - i. Romano Park track repairs should be completed this month
 - ii. Quotes to replace Pagliughi Park playground will be requested soon
 - c. Financial Report:
 - i. General Recreation Commission (RC) account balance is \$23,638.36
 - ii. Recreation Fields (RFF) account balance is \$39,782.73
 - iii. December 2024 deposits: \$650
 - iv. December 2024 expenses: \$35,306.44

4. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Dale Elbeuf retirement effective February 1, 2025
- 5. NEW BUSINESS (Votes Required)

a. Richard English: new full-time hire

6. SOLICITORS REPORT

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7. ADJOURNMENT

** Vote Required ** Vote Required

There was a discussion on the current situation with South Vineland Little League and missing funds. The commissioners had questions about how it was able to go on for so long and current leadership of the league. They asked to have a league representative come to the meeting next month and speak with them. The idea of cashless registrations for all leagues was brought up again. Mr. Clay motioned to have all league registration fees be cashless and Mr. Gomez seconded it.

1. Approval of December minutes-Mr. Clay motioned, Mr. Peale seconded it	All in favor-yes
2. Mr. Peretti motioned to open public comments, Mr. Peale seconded it	All in favor-yes
3. Mr. Gomez motioned to close public comments, Mr. Clay seconded it.	All in favor-yes
4. Mr. Clay motioned to make all league registration fees cashless, Mr. Gomez seconded it.	All in favor- yes Any oppose- none
5. Mr. Gomez motioned to close the meeting, Mr. Clay seconded it.	All in favor-yes
Meeting closed at 7:48pm	Meeting was 48 min long