

Fort Washington Pool Association (FWPA) Board Meeting, 7 September 2009

1. The FWPA Board convened at the pool on 7 September 2009. Fred Downs, President, called the meeting to order at 8: 00 PM.

2. Attendance:

a. Board Members present: Fred Downs, Rudy Brevard, John Dullahan, Ray Rice, John Szymanski, Brian King, John Ruehe, Marty Stewart, John Balazek, Rick Pica, and Bonnie Medford (Pool manager). Eric Griffin was also present and agreed to join the board.

b. Board Members absent: Kim Walton and Jack Dennis

3. The Board reviewed and approved the board meeting minutes of 3 August, 2009.

4. Officer reports:

- a. Treasurer: Ray Rice said there was a balance of \$50,510.07 in the FWPA bank account. Ray's anticipated expenditures for 2009 should be between \$8,000 and \$10,000 for payroll, supplies, utilities, etc. Although the bank account is lower than previous years at this time, Ray said the balance is not as low as he had earlier expected
- b. Membership: Rudy Brevard said he would prepare the FWPA 2009 taxes, but he hoped to gradually hand over membership duties to a successor. Due to the new membership committee assuming responsibilities, these duties should not be as onerous as in the past. Rudy proposed that the annual general meeting take place at 4 pm on 25 Oct. John Szymanski seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- c. Facilities: John Balazek said there were no major changes. Both the men's and ladies bathroom floors require mats or means to provide better grip for users. Bonnie said a bathroom window and a pool pump window need to be replaced. Discussion on these and other maintenance issues can take place at the next board meeting. Brian King and Eric Griffin volunteered to draw up a maintenance required list.
- d. Operations: Bonnie Medford said that despite the sudden departure of the senior lifeguard/operator, leaving Lauren and Bonnie as qualified operators, pool operations went very well, and the remaining lifeguards performed admirably. Though Lauren Szymanski is Bonnie's daughter, she assumed the senior lifeguard's duties, and ably managed the pool on a daily basis. Marty Stewart commended Bonnie for her dedication and professionalism, whereupon the remainder of the board heartily endorsed Marty's comments.
- e. Grounds: Fred Downs said Denison's Landscaping provided 13 pots of ornamental grass, which Fred and Ray Rice planted at the entrance and on the hill between the pool and the marina.

5. Old business:

- a. Brian King said the Scout's swim test went very well, with about 40 scouts participating. Bonnie Medford said the swim test had little impact on FWPA member's use of the pool, and that we made about \$400 in guest fees from the two scout functions. Brian said several of the scout's parents asked for pool membership applications.
- b. Bonnie said the kayak races, headed by Fred, and beef roast, cooked by John Balazek, were popular and well attended, with about \$500 earned from the beef roast meal. Ray said the pool made about \$1,000 from social events during the year.
- c. Fred said Nick Layton, as he had promised, provided a basketball stand for use of the pool. Fred asked that, to preclude broken windows, the stand be placed on the other side of the pool for the 2010 season.
- d. Fred said the Fort Washington Marina manager approached him about purchasing guest passes. Fred said he would obtain details and provide them to the board.

6. New Business:

- a. Ray said he had funds for disbursement bonuses to lifeguards, as in previous years, for above average to exceptional service. Bonnie said Lauren Szymanski, as the only qualified lifeguard pool operator, had excelled in supervising the pool, often for seven days a week. Nick Leighton, Samantha Battersby, Katie Rice, and Nicole Scott had been very diligent in their duty performance. John Balazek proposed a bonus of \$400 for Lauren, with \$100 each for the other four lifeguards. Brian King seconded the proposal, which was unanimously approved.
- b. Ray proposed allowing new and existing seasonal members to purchase shares and pay for them over a period of years. After discussion, the board did not take any action on the proposal, but will take it up at a later date.
- c. Eric Griffin agreed to join Brian, Marty, Bonnie, and Jack on the membership committee. Announcement of the committee's formation and duties will be announced at the general membership meeting at 4 pm on 24 October.
- d. Fred said the next FWPA board meeting will be at his house at 7:30 pm on 5 October. There will be no meetings in November.
- e. At 8:30 pm John Szymanski proposed an adjournment until the 5 October meeting. Ray seconded the proposal which was passed unanimously.

John Dullahan
FWPA Secretary