



Recreation Meeting Minutes April 8, 2025

Don Bogardus	Chairperson	Present
Kelly Eller	Vice Chairperson	Present
Vacant	Member	
Lynn Apolinaro	Member	Present
Vacant	Member	
Mark Scott	Member	Present
Vacant	Member	
Vacant	Alternate #1	
Vacant	Alternate #2	
Cris Franco	Council Liaison	Absent- Excused

Also in attendance was Debbie Armeno, Director of Recreation.

Recreation Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. all stood for a salute to the flag and a moment of silent reflection.

The Recreation Chair asked Debbie Armeno to take the roll call.

The Recreation Chair asked for movement on the meeting minutes from the March 11, 2025 meeting. Lynn Apolinaro made a motion to accept the minutes, Mark Scott seconded and all were in favor.

Recreation Director Debbie Armeno gave a short Council Report in the absence of Council Liaison Cris Franco, discussed was the COJ Field 8 work along with a COJ playground update.

Recreation Director Debbie Armeno gave her report speaking on:

1. Community Pass numbers for Spring/Summer programs
2. Reading a thank you letter from Project Self Sufficiency for the donation of coats from our coat drive.
3. Discussed the Walking Group (deferred to Mark on this)
4. Discussed the meeting the new Superintendent
5. Discussed advertising and how we are getting the word out.
6. Coaches and fingerprints.

Lynn Apolinaro gave her report on the meeting with Stanhope Rec Advisory Board about combining Miss Byram and Miss Stanhope Pageant. She discussed with the Committee

some questions they had. Kelly Eller with team up with Lynn on this and go to their next meeting to “button” this up. In the meantime, they will meet to put together an order for supplies we will need for Miss Byram portion.

Kelly Eller spoke on the Fishing Derby that will be held on June 8, 2025. She asked the Committee if we can use \$100 from our budget for prizes, Kelly made a formal motion and Lynn seconded it all were in favor. Kelly said the State us giving us 25 Swag Bags to give away, and the \$100 from the Committee will be for additional prizes. She hopes this will be a great event and we can then create more fishing events after this.

The May 13 meeting will be at the CO Johnson Field Complex for Byram Fest planning.

Announcements:

1. April 15 Ribbon Cutting of the Newly redone Tennis Courts at the Municipal Complex.
2. May 10 may be the Grand Opening of the new CO Johnson Playground if all has been completed and accepted by the Engineer and the Council.

The meeting was open to the public- Anneliese had 2 comments:

1. She is willing to donate a prize or money to the Fishing Event
2. May 10 is a large event at the SC Fairgrounds from 11a to 4p for the Maverick Foundation.

Mark Scott made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Lynn Apolinaro- all in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Debbie Armeno,
Director of Recreation