



Recreation Meeting Minutes February 10, 2026

Don Bogardus	Chairperson	Present
Kelly Eller	Member	Present
Cathy Cobo	Member	Present
Lynn Apolaro	Vice Chairperson	Present
Donna Koenig	Member	Present
Maritsa Barosi	Member	Present
Tracy Vanauken	Member	Present
Vacant	Alternate #1	
Vacant	Alternate #2	
Cris Franco	Council Liaison	Absent (excused)

Also present was Recreation Director Debbie Armeno.

The Recreation Committee Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm, all stood for the flag salute, and a moment of silence.

The Recreation Chairperson asked the Director of Recreation to take roll call. All were present except our Council Liaison, Cris Franco, who gave prior notice of her absence.

The Recreation Committee Chairperson asked for approval of January 13, 2026, meeting minutes. Cathy Cobo made a motion to approve the minutes, Lynn Apolaro seconded all were in favor.

The Recreation Chairperson noticed no new possible members in public attendance.

In the absence of Cris Franco our Council liaison Debbie stated there was really no Council updates pertaining to Recreation.

Recreation Director Debbie Armeno gave her report-

1. Attended the EC meeting on Jan. 22 spoke on several collaborative ideas for 2026.
2. Had our Spring 2026 Sports Council meeting was held on Jan. 29- no field problems as far as scheduling goes.
3. Spoke on meeting with school officials and town officials on field space.
4. Gave status update on programming.
5. Mentioned I will be out of the office 2/22-2/25 & 3/13-3/22

Recreation Director asked the Byram Fest 2026 Committee to meet and begin the initial planning process. Debbie will send some dates that look good.

Recreation Director formed Miss Byram Committee to begin planning this event for 2026. This Committee would be Kelly Eller, Donna Koenig, and Tracy Vanauken.

Recreation Director Debbie Armeno handed out a preliminary Spring Brochure and went over each page with the Committee to gain feedback. Debbie asked Kelly Eller about the Fishing Derby sponsored through the NJDEP and Kelly said she would contact Liz Jackson for the flyer to be included. Anneleise from Creative Kid Kare expressed donations of \$100.00 again for additional prizes. The Committee thanked her and Debbie will prepare the Resolution for Council approval once the date is set. We made some minor changes to some flyers.

Recreation Committee Chairperson asked for agenda items for next meeting, there were none.

Recreation Committee Chairperson opened the meeting to the public, there were 2 public in attendance and neither had anything for the Committee.

Lynn Apolinaro made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Cathy Cobo, all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Debbie Armeno

Director of Recreation.