



## Recreation Meeting Minutes September 8, 2026

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| Don Bogardus   | Chairperson     | Present |
| Lynn Apolinaro | Vice Chair      | Present |
| Cathy Cobo     | Member          | Present |
| Vacant         | Member          |         |
| Donna Koenig   | Member          | Absent  |
| Maritsa Barosi | Member          | Present |
| Tracy Vanauken | Member          | Absent  |
| Vacant         | Alternate #1    |         |
| Vacant         | Alternate #2    |         |
| Cris Franco    | Council Liaison | Present |

Also present was Debbie Armeno, Director of Recreation.

The Recreation Chairperson called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m., 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 for Donna Koenig and Tracy Vanauken who both gave prior notice of missing the meeting.

The Recreation Chairperson asked for approval of the August 10, 2026, meeting minutes. Lynn Apolinaro made the motion to accept, Cathy Cobo seconded the motion, all were in favor.

Councilwomen Cris Franco reported on Field #8- drill and fill to help fix the problem and the town will undergo reassessment for 2028 as per the County mandate.

Recreation Director Debbie Armeno gave a report on:

1. Fall Brochure and program sign-ups.
2. Our budget and remaining funds for 2026
3. Winter Programs are being worked on and brochure will be out in November.

Recreation Director Debbie Armeno began the Byram Fest 2026 wrap up: discussed were:

1. Moving Nonprofit to inside the football field by inflatables- more foot traffic.
2. Another activity for the kids.
  - a. Arts and Crafts
  - b. Dance party

3. Debbie developed a Post Event Report in which she gave each member a copy and read line by line to the Committee and requested feedback and input. The report is to be revised in some areas and sent to the Township Manager, Deputy Manager, and the Mayor and Council.

The Committee discussed the Fall Festival/Kickball Event- Event will be September 27 from 3-5pm at Neil Gylling. We have a few teams committed to the event, and we hope to get more. Debbie will get a note out to all sports groups to hope to get teams from them to join us and make this an annual event.

The Recreation Chairperson asked for any Announcements- Councilwomen Cris Franco asked of Bridge does not continue on Wednesdays if Sign Language could move to that night and that Mahjong and Crochet are growing with new members.

Recreation Chairperson asked for Agenda Topics for the October meeting- Reindeer for Tree Lighting.

Recreation Chairperson opened the meeting to the public; there was no comment from the public and meeting then closed to public.

Lynn Apolinaro made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Cathy Cobo seconded the motion, and all were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Deborah Armeno

Director of Recreation