

**Ebensburg Recreation Board
Board Minutes from March 12, 2025**

OPENING:

The monthly meeting of the Ebensburg Recreation Board was called to order at 6:30 PM by Sam Kemock. The meeting was held at the Ebensburg Borough Building.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sam Kemock, Amber Mesoras, Rory Coleman and Rebecca Williamson

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Theresa Jacoby

VISITORS PRESENT:

None

PUBLIC COMMENTS OF AGENDA ITEMS:

None

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES:

Sam Kemock

APPOINTMENTS TO THE BOARD:

None

REVIEW FINANCIAL REPORT MARCH 2025:

N/A

OLD BUSINESS:

RECREATION BOARD

-Discussed potential individuals to replace the two open seats. One is from the borough and one is from the township. We will need to post online for potential candidates.

New Business:

1. YPCC

- a. The water leaks in the roof were addressed. RD will reach out to Sunshine Metals for an estimate. The previous company has not returned a call.
- b. Bingos are very successful and are booking into 2026 at this time. The group discussed limiting to Ebensburg business only. Currently, there were only 3-4 businesses not from the Ebensburg area.
- c. The winter basketball league is coming to an end. Positive comments were discussed with some of the changes that were made, which included moving the concession stand to the community room, direct communication with the RD through the Remind app, RD being present at the facility, and PIAA referees who were helping educate the players as they made mistakes.
- d. RD is working with In Shore to develop an online scheduling system particularly for the pavilions. This would allow the community to see when the pavilions are available, book online, pay online, and the reservation would be transferred to the YPCC Staff outlook schedule. The group discussed adding the hockey rink to the pilot as there have been some issues with groups showing up to play and there being people on the rink. Individuals have questioned why they can't book the rink and pay for it for a specific time.

- e. The Rotary club is interested in making the hockey rink multipurpose and transitioning into pickleball courts. The Rotary club plans to pay for this to be completed. RD has been in contact with Dave Petrosky, who is communicating with the Rotary Club. The group discussed perhaps changing the Memorial Field basketball courts into pickleball courts as they are underused. RD will discuss it with the borough.
- f. The YPCC pickleball group is interested in having a pickleball tournament in June. They are requesting RD to organize. The Rec Board discussed the need for volunteers from the pickleball group who are willing to take on responsibilities to assist with the tournament. RD will send an email to her contact for a list of volunteers.

2. POOL

- a. RD is currently preparing for the pool/pesticide course which will be held in April in Lancaster.
- b. RD has been in communication with Abbey O'Brien, who is the 2025 pool manager. A list of items was created to work on for the upcoming pool season, such as a new cash register for the concession stand, a new laptop, events to be held at the pool, and activities for the kids.
- c. Lifeguard applications are being accepted at the YPCC until Friday, March 21. Interviews will be conducted as there are more applicants than open positions
- d. Lifeguard certification will be held at the CCHS pool by Rory Coleman. Dates TBD.

3. BALLFIELDS

- a. RD is waiting on notification from the local shares account if the borough has been granted the money to restore the memorial ballfields.
- b. The Ebensburg Softball League has volunteered to restore the Kimball Field at their expense through Elite Gardening and Landscaping. This project is to begin within the next month.
- c. RD is working with the maintenance director to hire a contracted worker to drag all three fields for the baseball and softball season running April through July.

Minutes recorded by Rebecca Williamson, Recreation Director