

Franklin Borough
Recreation Committee
Meeting Minutes for
July 18, 2024

This meeting was called to order at 7:03 pm by the Chairwomen, Mrs. Carnes, who then led the assembly in the flag salute.

Mrs. Carnes read the statement on compliance pursuant to the "Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, PL 1975"

ROLL CALL OF MEMEBERS:

Mrs. Patti Carnes – Chairperson (present)
Mrs. Bobbi Formica - Co-Chairperson (present)
Mr. Concetto Formica – Member (present)
Mr. James Affinito – Member (present)
Mr. Frederick Babcock – Member (present)
Mrs. Crystal Talmadge – Member (present)
Ms. Sarah McGreevy – Member (present)
Mrs. Rachel Heath - Council Liaison (absent)
Ms. Suzann Brush – Secretary (present)

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- June 20, 2024 – **Approved**

Mr. Affinito made a motion to approve June 20, 2024 meeting minutes.

Mr. Babcock second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #1:

Mr. Affinito made a motion to open public session #1.

Mr. Babcock second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

All Were in Favor

APPROVED

- WVLL Baseball: Justin Bello
 - Expressed concerns regarding new field use fees.
 - Inquired about Recreation purchasing more clay for the field.
 - Pointed out some areas that could use improvements.
 - Going to email a list of requested repairs/improvements.

Mrs. Formica made a motion to close public session #1.

Mr. Affinito second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

All Were in Favor

APPROVED

COMMITTEE REPORT

- Treasure's Report:
 - Reviewed

OLD BUSINESS:

- Feedback:
 - Miss Franklin Pageant
 - Possibly hold at the Firehouse in 2025
 - Present certificates at next Council meeting on 8/13/24
 - Franklin Nite
 - Look into sound company
 - 3 food trucks
 - Glenn Roberts reserved
 - Next Date: 6/28/25
- Bus Trip – Yankee Stadium:
 - Bus - \$1340
 - Tickets - \$2750
 - Parking - \$350 (Mrs. Carnes to buy visa prepaid card)

Mr. Affinito made a motion to approve a budget for the Yankee Game bus trip in the amount of \$4440.
Mrs. Talmadge second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

- Carnival:
 - Vendor – Boy Scouts
 - Vendor fee waiver - Approved

Mrs. Formica made a motion to approve waiving the vendor fee for the Boy Scouts for the Carnival event.
Mr. Affinito second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

- Recreation Shirts:
 - Budget – pending quote – **Tabled**

NEW BUSINESS:

- Baseball Field:
 - Clay Quote - Approved

Mr. Affinito made a motion to approve purchasing clay for the baseball field in the amount of \$1545.
Mrs. Talmadge second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

- Field Use
 - Beaver Lake – Approved
 - WVLL Baseball – Approved
 - WV Softball – Approved, no fee reduction
 - Mrs. Carnes to update softball league on improvements:
 - Dugouts – drawing plans, getting quotes for 2025

- Water Hook-Up – currently being analyzed
- Lighting – looking into updating all lighting at the pond
- Clay – status of bags in shed?

Mrs. Formica made a motion to approve softball field use request for Beaver Lake on 7/14/24 and 8/11/24.
Mr. Affinito second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

Mr. Babcock made a motion to approve baseball field use request for Walkkill Valley Little League for Fall 8/16/24 – 11/1/24

Mr. Affinito second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

Mr. Affinito made a motion to approve softball field use request for Walkkill Valley Girls Softball for Fall (now-November 2024).

Mr. Babcock second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

- Digital Sign:
 - Sports Registration - Approved

Mrs. Formica made a motion to approve posting sports registration information on the digital sign for Walkkill Valley Sports who utilize the pond.

Mrs. Talmadge second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

- New Cool
 - Budget - \$150

Mr. Babcock made a motion to approve the purchase of a new cooler with a budget not to exceed \$150.

Mrs. Formica second the motion.

Upon Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Mrs. Carnes, Mrs. Formica, Mr. Formica, Mr. Affinito, Mr. Babcock, Mrs. Talmadge, Ms. McGreevy

NAYS:

ABSTENTIONS:

APPROVED

- Zerbini Circus – **Table**
 - 50/50 split
 - Advanced ticket sales
 - 3 days

- Tentative – July 6-8th, 2025
- Comedy Show – **Table**
 - Sat. 11/2/2024
 - Location – Firehouse
 - Cash food/bar
 - \$1200-\$1500
 - \$20 per ticket advance sale
 - \$25 per ticket at the door

OPEN PUBLIC SESSION #2:

No one in attendance.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMENTS:

- 9/11 Memorial – lighting quote pending from Aldo Sanchez
- Sussex Co. Day at the Fair Grounds – Franklin Boro Recreation to host a table, Sun. Sept 15?
 - No one available
- Community Kickball Game
- Halloween – **Table**
 - Haunted Walk
 - Fall Market
- Renaissance Fair - **Table**
- Next meeting 8/1//24

AJOURNMENT:

Mrs. Carnes asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Babcock made the motion. Seconded by Mrs. Formica.

All were in favor. *The meeting was adjourned at 8:59pm