

# Buffalo Valley Recreation Authority (B.V.R.A.)

Executive Director John Rowe

Board of Directors Chair Peter Bergonia, Lewisburg Borough Vice Chair Tim Hutchings, East Buffalo Township  
Treasurer Char Gray, East Buffalo Township Secretary Mike Glazer, East Buffalo Township  
Lewisburg Borough: Patrick Shandera, • Dana Bernardo, • Phil Stamm • Pat Musselman, East Buffalo Township

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December 20, 2023

Call to Order – 6:32 PM

**Attendance– Present:** John Rowe, Pete Bergonia, Tim Hutchings, Patrick Shandera, Pat Musselman, Char Gray, Dana Bernardo, Mike Glazer. **Absent:** Phil Stamm.

**Approval of November Minutes – Motion:** Patrick S. Second: Pat M. Unanimous.

**Operations Report – John Rowe**

- Curtis Bloom has been hired as the new director of maintenance. Bloom will officially begin his post Jan. 1, 2024. He will be training under present maintenance director Pete B. Maintenance work is lined up readying all BVRA sites for the coming season.
- Boys Gymnastics has done very well in recent competitions, winning 2<sup>nd</sup> place in “All Around.”
- Reminder: BVRA will be hosting the boys’ gymnastics state competition at the Miller Center, March 16 & 17, 2024.
- Because of maintenance and vandalism problems, and related costs, water fountains in the Community Park are being removed.
- The community holiday event “Cookies, Chocolate and Santa” was well attended at the Nature Center and the gym on Saturday, Dec. 16.
- 2024 summer camp slots are filling up early. Dana B. explained that early promotions and advertising during the holiday season seems to be working well.

**New Business –**

- Jeff Ramsey, who operates the Susquehanna Academy of Martial Arts and sub-contracts with BVRA for gym space, has asked for signage on the lighted marquee along Rt. 15. The board discussed various payment options and will discuss them with Ramsey.
- **Addendum/Clarification per Char:** Dana (*I think*) had a follow-up action item to contact Greenspace to confirm if another sign on the board will be under the same terms as the one we have, which is \$100 per month for 48 months. This is for the large slot. (We would assume a 1/2 slot would be \$50/mo for 48 months). If we get a Martial Arts sign, we might like it right under the BVRA sign since it is connected with BVRA. That means that the PIVOT sign would need to drop down a slot. This will also need to be discussed with Greenspace and probably PIVOT. (Maybe PIVOT can be at the very top, with the next two spots taken by BVRA and Martial Arts).

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