

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

Executive Director John Rowe

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January 24, 2024

**Call to Order – 6:32 PM**

**Attendance – Present:** Pete B, Tim H, Char G, Mike G, Patrick S, Dana B, Phil S. **Absent:** Patricia M.

**Approval of Minutes – Motion:** Char, 2<sup>nd</sup>: Pat S. Unanimous.

**Operations Report – John Rowe**

- Curtis Bloom has started training and working as BVRA fulltime maintenance manager under Pete’s supervision. He is learning general operations and developing projects.
- During training, probably until later in the year, payroll expenses will increase.
- Jeff Ramsey, who operates the Susquehanna Academy of Martial Arts and sub-contracts with BVRA for gym space, has decided to forgo signage for his business on the Route 15 marquee.
- Shade Pavilion blue tarp is being duplicated. The present tarp will be used in 2024. The new tarp will be installed for the 2025 season.
- The Ice Rink was open to skaters for one day on Jan. 22. It was heavily used by the community for the four hours it was open. The rink operates at the weather’s mercy.
- Gymnastics – John reported that the BVRA girls and boys gym teams did very well in competition held in State College.

**New Business –**

- There was a discussion about the need for a BVRA-owned pickup truck. Presently, park maintenance staff use their private vehicles for various hauling needs. Because of pending retirements these vehicles will not be available. Also discussed, the possibility of borrowing Lewisburg Borough or East Buffalo Twp. trucks when needed. Discussion will be revisited.
- “Still Rings” (gymnastics apparatus) need to be purchased for BVRA’s gymnastics program. The estimated cost of the “setup” is \$9,000. Current rings are old and not proper for advanced training. Various solutions were discussed.

**Finance –**

- Some adjustments must be made to December’s financial statement. The motion to approve was postponed until February’s meeting.

**Adjournment – 7:14 PM**

**NEXT MEETING**

**6:30 PM**

**February 28, 2024**