

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

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March 25, 2026

Call to Order – 6:32 PM

Attendance –

Present: Pete B., John R., Dana B., Stacy G., Mike G.

Absent: Tim H., Char G., Patrick S., Phil S.

Motions: No votes taken

Operations Report – John Rowe

- General increase in gym enrollment. After Covid (2020-21) It was thought that it would take a decade to return the program to full capacity. Intermediate and advanced classes are full.
- Gym auxiliary programs are doing well. “Parents Night Out” is doing exceptionally well. (Fee is \$20 per child for 2.5-hour [“Babysitting”] program. We see as many as 30 kids per session).
- Gymnastics competition season is ending. BVRA’s “Energy Gymnastics” has excelled at state and regional levels.
- Summer camp enrollment has started. We have many applications for counselor positions.
- The community pool is being prepared to be sandblasted. Once the temperature remains above freezing the pool will be repainted.
- Ash trees in the community park will not be treated for Emerald Ash Borer infestation this year. Trees will be checked in late spring. Dead trees will be taken down. Because of uncertainty of infestation and the cost of repeated treatment this is the best financial strategy.

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Old Business –

- FEMA funded tennis court reconstruction will commence in early April. This will take a few months to complete. Once done, courts will have permanent tennis and pickleball markings.
- PA LSA (Local Share Account) Grant funds have “finally” been released to BVRA. The \$61K grant will be used to replace the gym’s 35-year-old equipment. The grant was secured by consultants Penn Strategies for a \$3k fee.

Finance – Attached to email

Executive Session – None

Adjournment – 7:05 PM

NEXT MEETING

April 22, 2025

6:30 PM