

Borough of West Reading Recreation Commission Meeting

Tuesday, August 4, 2025

Meeting called to order at 6:01pm

Members present: Colleen English, John Harvey, Kristin Hawley, Heather Jagielski, Taryn Shillady, Jen Sundermier

Members not present: Ryan Oberly

Borough Council members present: Denise Drobnick (chair), Bethany Bower (arrived at 6:12pm)

Borough Staff present: Mike Esterly, Recreation Director

Public Comment:

None.

Motion to approve the minutes from June 2025 made by Taryn Shillady. Seconded by Heather Jagielski. Motion passed (7-0).

Event Wrap-Up

Rides & Vibes

- Held on June 28
- Had approximately 8-12 people
- Discussed future of event; on hiatus for now

Upcoming Events

Yoga in the Park

- Ongoing through end of September, Saturdays 9-10am
- First Saturday of the month will be family yoga
- Been going well

French Fry Festival

- Saturday, August 16, 11am-5pm, set up 9-10:45am; volunteers needed
- Collaboration with WRCRF and West Reading Tavern, some proceeds benefiting West Reading Recreation
- DJ Rick and Recreation volunteers
 - Volunteers needed for event wrap up
 - Table: sell shirts, potential to sell tickets for Halloween events
 - Have information about future events at the table

Karaoke Competition

- August 31, 4-8pm at 3rd and Spruce

- Rec volunteers needed, start sign-ups at 3pm

Haunted House and Hayride:

- Talked about pre-sale tickets for haunted house and hayride, timed tickets, adding additional tractor, additional games and activities, and other logistics
- Workshop on July 22 held to start planning

Recreation Director's Updates

- Playground program over, successful summer

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Kristin Hawley. Seconded by John Harvey. Motion carried (8-0).

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Respectfully submitted,
Colleen English
Recreation Commission Secretary