

HAMBURG RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

February 17th, 2026

OPEN MEETING / FLAG SALUTE

Commission Chair Villagomez called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm and led all present in the flag salute.

Certification

Pursuant the provisions of the "Open Public Meetings Act" adequate notice of this meeting has been provided to the public and the press January 14th, 2026 by delivering to the New Jersey Herald and the Sunday Herald and posting at the Municipal Building a copy of the commission's "Annual Notice of Meetings"

ROLL CALL

Present: Sam Villagomez, Art Walton, Frances Weiss
Also present: Council Liaison Joyce Oehler
Secretary Anna Titka
Treasurer Joseph Brezina

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

January 13th, 2026 Reorganization Meeting Minutes

Motion by Vice Chair Art Walton, seconded by Commission Member Fran Weiss to approve the January 13th, 2026 Reorganization Meeting Minutes. All in favor.

January 13th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Motion by Vice Chair Art Walton, seconded by Commission Member Fran Weiss to approve the January 13th, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. All in favor.

FINANCE

Motion by Vice Chair Walton, seconded by Commission Member Weiss to open the meeting to Treasurer Joseph Brezina.

Commission Chair Villagomez asked Treasurer Brezina for clarification on the recreation commission financial reports. Treasurer Brezina noted that the Trust Account was for Hamburg Day and emergency use, while the Recreation Current Account is dictated by the budget decided by the budget committee. This account funds all the other events for the year, aside from Hamburg Day. The account currently has 25% of the year's budget, while the remaining 75% will be added in April/May.

Motion by Commission Member Weiss, seconded by Vice Chair Walton to close the meeting to Treasurer Joseph Brezina.

Motion by Vice Chair Walton, seconded by Commission Member Weiss to approve the financial reports. All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS / NEW BUSINESS

Recreation Volunteer Update

Secretary Titka noted that the volunteer has moved out of the town and is no longer able to serve on the commission. Commission Chair Villagomez reminded everyone of the need to get more volunteers going forward.

Family Game Night - February 20th

As of the meeting, no one had signed up through the website link. Motion by Commission Member Weiss, seconded by Vice Chair Walton to reschedule Family Game Night to March 20th, 2026. Secretary Titka will update all promotional materials to reflect the new date. Commission Member Weiss and Council Liason Oehler will check sign ups on March 16th to determine whether the event will be held.

Trivia Night - April 24th

The commission discussed a possible conflict of dates with Hamburg School, but ultimately decided to keep it on April 24th. Vice Chair Walton noted he had an individual that currently runs another Trivia Night, that would be willing to MC our event. This individual charges a \$100 fee per event. After discussion of typical winnings at other Trivia events, the consensus was that a \$50 Amazon gift card would be the prize for the 1st place team. Motion by Vice Chair Walton, seconded by Commission Member Weiss to add an additional \$50 to the budget for the event, bringing the total to \$200. All in favor. Vice Chair Walton will contact the individual to confirm the availability and get a contract together.

Miss Hamburg Pageant - June 7th

Commission Chair Villagomez requested the pageant flyers start going out in March to try to reach more individuals for registration. The request included sending copies to Hamburg School and, possibly, a guidance counselor at Wallkill High School to distribute to students.

Miners Game - TBD

Commission Chair Villagomez will contact the Miners organization to try and schedule an event for July 4th, 2026. He will let us know what days are available in July and adjust advertisements accordingly.

Hamburg Day - August 23rd

Secretary Titka requested a decision to be made as to what sponsors would receive if they donated to the event. A letter was drafted, with the help of Deputy Clerk Stephens. After discussions, it was agreed that the sponsor would be featured in all advertisements before Hamburg Day, and signs would be created for onsite advertising day of the event. Commission Member Weiss has been in contact with the band from last year, and they will be getting back to her in the near future. As of the meeting, there are 10 vendors confirmed.

Breakfast with Santa - December 12th

Secretary Titka confirmed Santa Clause for the event, and inquired about a signature for the contract. Commission Chair Villagomez noted that the Borough Clerk or Deputy Clerk signed it in the past and would most likely do it again this time.

Newsletter Flyers

Vice Chair Walton inquired about the due date for the upcoming newsletter submissions from the Borough. He wanted to create a current calendar of events, as he did the previous year. Secretary Titka noted that an email will go out to the Deputy Clerk to confirm the timeline for publication.

OPEN MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

Chair Villagomez requested a motion to open the meeting to the public. Motion by Commission Member Weiss, seconded by Vice Chair Walton. All in favor.

Motion by Commission Member Weiss, seconded by Vice Chair Walton to close to the public. All in favor.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Grand Falloons emailed us an inquiry about Hamburg Day. The commission members did not remember if they were hired for entertainment or a vendor at last year's event. Secretary Titka will follow up and see what information we can find about their status last year.


ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vice Chair Art Walton, seconded by Commision Member Weiss to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 pm. All in favor.

Date approved 3/17/26

Date released 3/17/26

Submitted by:



Anna Titka
Recreation Commission Secretary