

California Borough Recreation Authority (CBRA) Meeting Minutes of 8/19/25

- Meeting originally scheduled for Thursday 8/21 but moved up to the Tuesday before to give time for actions prior to Riverfest.

August

➤ Attending Members:

- Nate Scaccia
- Amelia Mitchell
- Will Miller
- Patsy Alfano
- Ashley Roth
- Judy Tchinski

Absent Members:

Rodney Johnson

❖ Guests: None

❖ Meeting called to order at 5:13PM by Ashley Roth

❖ 5:13pm

- A. Roth – someone make a motion to approve the July Meeting minutes?
1st A. Mitchell 2nd by J. Tchinski All vote yes, motion passes.
- A. Roth - Will someone make a motion to approve the August Bills (*see attachment 1) 1st A. Mitchell 2nd by P. Alfano - **Roll Call Vote: Will – yes; Patsy – Yes; Amelia – Yes; Ashley – Yes; Nate – Yes; Judy - Yes... Approved
New Balance \$22,905.20

❖ 5:20pm

- J. Tchinski – Trees updates – We need to purchase more gator bags to water the trees. Should order another 20. Additionally, requesting the borough crew to remove 4 trees and 4 shrubs from the Hollywood pavilion area.
- A. Roth – Calling a motion to order 20 Gator bags not to exceed \$300.



1st N. Scaccia 2nd by J. Tchinski - **Roll Call Vote: Will – yes; Patsy – Yes; Amelia – Yes; Ashley – Yes; Nate – Yes, Judy - Yes... Approved

❖ 5:24pm

- A. Roth – Movie night – Recommending we cancel the August Movie Night. It is Labor Day weekend and a Home Football game for California High School, and the start of College football. It is likely to be a poor turnout. September 26th should be good for the movie night but we may possibly want to move October to the 24th as the last Friday of the month is Halloween Day And many will be traveling to other communities to Trick or Treat and we will likely have a poor turnout. We can choose the date next month. Perhaps we can show the new Adam's Family movie.

❖ 5:32pm

- A. Roth – Riverfest is this weekend. We have raised \$28,050 in sponsorships. A. Roth proceeded to review the sponsorships.
- N. Scaccia – Don't forget to review the list of sponsors form the Fishing Derby as they are to be announced during Riverfest too.
 - Woodco Construction, Mon Valley Performing Arts, California Hill Gun Club, Brittons & Sons inc, PennWest University and Lisa Buday.

❖ 5:37pm

- A. Mitchell – Riverfest vendors reviewed (*See attachment 2). There are 25 craters, 13 Food Vendors and 12 Kids area and games.

❖ 5:44pm

- A. Roth – There is lots to do for kids activities. Minigolf with PennWest was added on Saturday and the inflatable rockwall.

❖ 5:46pm

- N. Scaccia – No update for the parade
- W. Miller – No update for the carshow

❖ 5:48pm

- J. Tchinski – Basket auction updates – With the addition of 2 items from Ashley and 1 from Will, we currently have 22 individual baskets/items to auction off.

❖ 5:50pm

- A. Roth – Riverfest Entertainment update – No new updates. There may be some staffing issues leading to bringing the stage early Saturday instead of Friday...pushing to avoid this though. Security is set to be there from 10 PM to 10AM on Saturday and Sunday. Ambulance will be stationed as well.

❖ 6:00pm

- W. Miller – Pickleball court is seeing increased usage, which is great. Due to this Szalay park was recommended as an option if the new pickleball court at Hickory street is occupied. After making this suggestion I went to Szalay myself to use the court and found it an embarrassing state. We will need to get a team together to go up and weed out, and clean up the courts. Also, the Rotary park ramp to the stream needs fixed. The bottom is so broken up that someone in a wheel chair or with a stroller would struggle to get to the stream. Maybe during our next streets project we can order some extra asphalt and patch up the bottom of the ramp.

❖ 6:00pm

- W. Miller – Suggesting we look into the potential of adding some parking near the Wharf for fishing/boating. The knoll across the street adjacent the pump house has potential. This will prevent needing to drive streets away to park with your trailer, or parking in front of someone's home preventing them from parking near their house.
- N. Scaccia – Should go to the Borough Council meeting and suggest this.
 - W. Miller – I will do that.

❖ 6:14pm

- N. Scaccia – Received a letter seeking donations for a local student to donate to UPMC Children’s Hospital.
- W. Miller – Though I support the cause, is this technically allowable since it does not pertain to parks or recreation in any way?
- P. Alfano – It’s probably not a good idea to donate any funds appropriated to the CBRA for this.

❖ 6:16pm

- N. Scaccia - Want to consider looking into permanent bathroom facilities at Rotary and Mechanics street parks. Also, Hickory street park is in need of cleaning and fresh mulch. Before we do this, any thoughts on replacing the park equipment with a water park/splash pad?
 - A. Mitchell – Big concern is the increased insurance costs.
- W. Miller – There is no other parks on that side of town. There is a lot of space adjacent to the pickleball court. Is it possible to procure that land and put the water park there? It’s not a great idea to remove a park that can be used $\frac{3}{4}$ of the year, for something that can only be used for a few months.
 - A. Mitchell – I know who owns that land and can look into whether they are willing to sell it and how much so we can add the splash pad.

❖ 6:25pm

- N. Scaccia – Want to convert one of the courts at Szalay park to multiple Pickleball courts. I will look into whether the borough would like to split the cost since refinishing the courts is very expensive.

❖ 6:35pm

- Motions to adjourn 1st A. Mitchell; 2nd by P. Alfano – All present vote yes – Meeting ends

❖ Next Meeting Thursday September 18, 2025 @ 5:00pm – Cal Borough Building



** Meeting minutes submitted by Will Miller – CBRA Secretary *

Attachment 1

BP = Online Bill Pay						
2025		August		2025		
NUMBER	DATE	DESCRIPTION OF TRANSACTION	C	DEBIT (-)	CREDIT (+)	BALANCE
					\$23,060.39	\$23,060.39
BP	8/27/2025	West Penn Power { Mechanic Street}		\$45.66		\$23,014.73
BP	8/27/2025	West Penn Power { Rotary}		\$80.28		\$22,934.45
BP	8/27/2025	West Penn Power {100 Wood}		\$17.55		\$22,916.90
BP		Deposit			\$9,271.34	\$32,188.24
270	6/17/2025	H.A.Thomson Co.		\$123.00		\$32,065.24
271	8/1/2025	C.M. Electrical		\$7,342.50		\$24,722.74
BP		R & D watters Inc (fish		\$269.50		\$24,453.24
BP		Bee Graphix { Table Cloth, Shirts, Dates		\$445.77		\$24,007.47
BP		Amazon (Caution Tape)		\$58.89		\$23,948.58
BP		Vistaprint		\$367.17		\$23,581.41
BP		Crown Awards		\$390.42		\$23,190.99
BP		Amazon {sand}		\$68.49		\$23,122.50
BP		Amazon (Craft		\$111.30		\$23,011.20
BP		USPS {Post office box}		\$106.00		\$22,905.20
Saving -	\$33,460.20					
Interest	\$64.00					
	<u>\$33,524.20</u>					

Attachment 2

Craft		
1	Autumn's Boutique	Rachel Miller
2	Bryan Family Vac	
3	Color Street	Kelly Balog
4	County Hammer Moonshine	Tim Baureis
5	Debbie's Crafty Creations	Debra Marshall
6	Dee's Wireless (cricket)	Jason Dayner
7	Greatness Pictures	Rocco Magone
8	Joy's Creations	Joy Wroblewski
9	Keiras sight	
10	Kent Sprouts LLC	Chyna Kent
11	Kinda Krafty	Gina Koon
12	Livacrafts	Alivia Andria
13	LuLaRoe Kendra Collins	Kendra Collins
14	MK Bling	Mary Kay Dayner
15	Mummun n Mimi crafts	Lanette Bachetti
16	My Boyz candy Company	Nicole Berkin
17	Quadree's Design LLC	Lara Bloom
18	Queen's abundance krown	Katrina Nottingham
19	Stained Design Studio	Melanie Gibbons
20	Sunshine n Daydreams	Jennifer Connrly
21	The Happy Crafters	Colleen Klimas
22	The Hidden Loft	Macia Wright
23	Vinyl Princess	Nicole Berkin
24	Wood Co.	
25	Plum Run Winery	Joe Skocik

Food

1	Crave PGH	Megan Piktel
2	Dirty Dicks	Eric Tobias.
3	EB Wings	Eddy Bell
4	Forlins Kitchens	Lou Forlins
5	Fresh Fuel Café	Bonnie Ryan
6	Frost Fairy	Jennifer Gatewood
7	Honey & Paps BBQ	Yvonne Driver
8	Johnny's Seafood Shack	Alina George
9	Mee Maws Concessions	Shannon/Jim Bar
10	The Lavish Lemon	Kristin Bergman
	Rotary	David Wallace
	Sierra club	
	United Christian Church	

1	Cal Theatre	Sabrina Hykes-D
2	Cal Area Band Assembly	Danielle Grodz
3	Cal Area Elem. PTA	Kristin Masaitis
4	Mon Vall Performing Arts Academy	Gine Bittner
5	Wash Drug & Alcohol Commission	Joe Sabo
6	California Teachers	
7	Joe's Candy Bowl	716-785-0911
8	California Police	
9	The Village	
10	Nazarene Church	
11	California Historical	
12	California Fire Department	