

Present: Commissioners Kristina Carr, Dave Hattenbrun, Lisa Jerkowski, Claudia Joseph, Frank Klepeis, Kieran Liggan-Casey, Reta Sorge; Recreation Clerk Dorene Whitaker; Town Board Liaison Ashley Sweeney.

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 pm.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. **Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes:** R.Sorge moved to approve the July 2025 meeting minutes. Seconded by F. Klepeis. All in favor.

2. **Solar Power System Review:** The group reviewed the historical summary and assessment of the system prepared in 2023. As decided then, the system was to be monitored, and K. Carr presented data taken from the system monthly since September 2023. Though there are several inherent limitations the system, both inverters continue to function. As no critical loss of efficiency appears to be occurring, it was decided to continue monitoring.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Tech upgrades at the Rec Center:** D. Whitaker reported the loss of a long-term rental because of limited WiFi capability within the building. She is awaiting an estimate from the IT Department for a device to boost the building's capabilities. K.Carr reported that she is looking into upgrades to the building's public address system, specifically to accommodate Bluetooth devices.

2. **Programming:** K. Carr reported that the Town Clerk has agreed to improve communication on the Recreation page on the Town's website with a programming calendar, updated quarterly. There was discussion as to increasing publicity. We currently advertise programming on local newspapers, the Community Center marquee, Rosendale social media, the Town website and Facebook page, and flyers in local venues. It was decided that, with the additional help of the Town Clerk with our webpage, publicity is adequate.

Dates for upcoming *Game Nights* were decided upon: Friday, September 19 and Friday, October 17, 6:00-8:00 pm.

The new *Gentle Yoga* class has been approved by the Town Board. Classes will be on Tuesdays at 5:15, beginning September 16 and taught by Kathy Ackerman.

K. Carr reported a request by the Rosendale Gardeners Group to hold a *Tailgate Garden Swap* in the Community Center parking lot on October 5. They've had several similar events which were low-impact and well-received by the community. Motion to approve was made by R. Sorge, seconded by L.Jerkowski. All in favor.

K. Carr asked the group to approve a new *Art class*. Pablo Shine, an experienced artist and teacher, has agreed to teach a 6-week water color course at the Community Center beginning in October. R.Sorge has worked with him in the past and recommends him highly. She moved to approve the course. Seconded by K. Liggan-Casey. All in favor.

3.Pool: Ashley Kraus, Pool Manager, was unable to attend the meeting but sent a written summary of the season. The Commission was very pleased with all that has been accomplished, especially the swim lesson program, which enrolled 162 kids. A big Thank You was extended to Dorene Whitaker and Ms. Kraus for their hard work in making a highly successful season. Several commissioners pointed out that obtaining information on pool fees on the Town website was not easy. It was agreed to address this in March 2026 and attempt to make navigating Pool information on the website more user-friendly.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm. The next meeting will be September 17 at 7:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristina Carr