



Monthly Meeting
Thursday, June 19, 2025
7:00- Senior Lounge - 80 Main St., Terryville, CT
AGENDA

1. Call to Order-

The meeting was called to order on June 19, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. in the Senior Lounge, Town Hall, 80 Main St., Terryville, CT by **Chairman Dennis Fowler**.

2. Attendance - Members in attendance included: **Chairman Dennis Fowler, Rich Schnaars, Kelly Vitale, Kerry Bamrick, Dave Downs, Cathy Beaudoin, Director Maureen Cappetto** and Pam Pelletier-Recording Secretary.

3. Pledge of Allegiance – Led by the **Chairman**.

4. Fire Exits – Pointed out by the **Chairman**.

5. Introduce New Commissioner – **Cathy Beaudoin**

Chairman Fowler welcomes new member **Cathy Beaudoin** to the group. She provides a little background; she also serves on the Human Services Commission as their Chairperson, is a resident and works as a title searcher in Town.

6. Approval of Minutes

a. April 22, 2025 - Special Meeting

MOTION: Rich Schnaars made a motion, which is seconded by Kerry Bamrick to approve the minutes of the April 22, 2025 meeting and the motion is voted on unanimously.

7. Public Participation - none

8. Terryville Youth Soccer Club Report

Chairman Maureen Cappetto read the report submitted by email from Jen Gode into the record. The club is having their final championship games tonight and wanted their club members to be able to attend the game.

The report is as follows:

*Thank you to **Maureen** for allowing us to submit a note rather than be in-person this month. TYSC has a final championship game tonight that many of our Board Members will be at, including myself as my son is playing in the game.*

The season officially ends on Sunday, but we should wrap up our consistent use of the Lions Club Field Friday night. We're hosting our now-annual end of year celebration where all our Recreational and Travels teams get together for mini-games and skill building along with medals and soccer fun.

We'll be hosting travel team tryouts in the coming weeks to start preparing for the fall season. TYSC will continue to update and maintain the Google Calendar for awareness.

In April, a TYSC partner volunteered to "clean up" the parking lot and brought in some equipment to level out the parking lot by the field as well as by the community gardens. TYSC has some amazing parent volunteers.

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One item that TYSC would like to do before the fall season is to add a small “yard” type sign to the end of the parking area. We’ve heard from multiple travel teams coming to the field that they had a hard time finding it. We’re hoping a small sign with the TYSC logo on it will help solve that problem (we share the address, but teams are still struggling).

*Thank you to **Maureen** and the full Park & Rec Board for the continued partnership and collaboration this season.*

Director Cappetto advised that things have been working out very well with the club with a shared event calendar; so far there have been no conflicts.

The requested small sign was discussed; it will be the lawn type sign that does not require a permit, that will be pushed into the ground on a wire frame. The Commission will leave that approval up to the **Director**, she sees no issue with the request.

9. Program Financials to date – will be emailed to Commissioners. **Director Cappetto** advised that we spent what we could; in reviewing the accounts once transfers are made it should be a “wash”, no unanticipated deficits.

Chairman Fowler advised that the backboard on the basketball court at Veterans is damaged. **Director Cappetto** is aware of this; she has been in contact with the vendor as the backboard has a life-time warrantee and is working to get it covered. She will give them another week.

Kerry Bamrick suggests ordering a new backboard if there is no resolution within the next week and asking the vendor for reimbursement.

10. **Director's Report**

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Senior Lounge Update -Funding removed from the Budget by the Town Council during their approval; may consider using funds out of the Revolving Account. General discussion.

Current programs

- **Adult Pick-up basketball leagues** – extended thru May but ended now- we could fill a third session if we have gym space
- **Pickleball courts** - open and taking reservations
- **Kayak Kiosk open** – some issues but hoping to improve
- **Fishing Derby** - huge success, fewer participants because of weather but still very well received
- **2nd Senior Lunch & Learn was today** – well attended. We will have more lunches and senior events. Group is growing.
- **Summer camp starts Monday** – Looking great. 55 for 7-week pass – lowest enrollment is 65, 76 is highest. Average is 70. We were aiming for 65.
We are working with Ed advance to possibly have free lunch and possibly breakfast for campers! In the works, not guaranteed but looking possible

Future programs

- **Sight and Sound trip in November**
- **Pickleball tournament** – looking to host in August with team fees and prizes. Could be a small

money maker and promoting courts

- **Thomaston interested in Red Sox Ballgame trip with us** – September 27th against Detroit. We are working on pricing – not definite yet
- **Summer travel basketball** – we have a 4-5th and a 7th-8th grade team in the summer league. Starting next week. Very exciting
- **DEEP Fish with Care program** - at Lake Winfield tomorrow from 4:30-7:30 pm.
- **New event** – Sept 16th Free Back to school movie night handing out free supplies and providing space for town organizations to distribute fall program information. Hosting in collaboration with Human Services. Funded in part by Phyllis Corsetti Grant and supplies from Walmart

Odds and Ends

- Revolving fund balance should be in accounting system by close of June 30, 2025.
- Replacing broken basketball hoop, vandalism at Veterans Memorial Park. First time so hopefully not a trend
- Beautification committee would like to install a wildflower garden at the new parking lot at North Street Reservoir. It's called Michaela's garden and related to Sandy Hook projects. The Beautification committee will maintain
- Working on a band for Lanterns on Lake Winfield. I can share clips if anyone is interested
- Lions club ordered swing for Veterans Memorial honoring young local boy who drowned last summer. Has not been received.
- Requesting thank you gift for support
- Facebook information page meetings start 1st week of July, will launch in July
- Food Pantry will have a sign at Community Garden on their plots – small 2x5'

Chairman Cappetto also asks Commissioners to bring back ideas to the next meeting for consideration for next Fiscal year needs.

11. Chairman/Commissioners Comments

Commission members all welcome new member **Cathy Beaudoin**. **Rich Schnaars** comments that he has heard positive input on the food program for Summer Camp.

Kelly Vitale is available if needed for Set up at Camp.

Dave Downes has ideas for Lunch and Learn events and will reach out to his contacts.

Cathy Beaudoin is excited to join our team but asks for patience as she becomes familiar with our group.

Chairman Fowler agrees with the earlier suggestion regarding the backboard at the courts and recommends that the new one be ordered if there is no response regarding replacement from the vendor.

12. Adjourn

MOTION: Dave Downes made a motion, which was seconded by **Kelly Vitale** to adjourn the meeting, and the motion is voted on unanimously.

Submitted by,

Pam Pelletier, Recording Secretary