

JACKSON TOWNSHIP COMMISSION FOR THE DISABLED / HANDICAPPED
MEETING OF
SEPTEMBER 17, 2025
MINUTES

Co-Chairperson Suely Fries called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by a flag salute.

Present: S. Fries, S. Hollander, D. Henning, A. Janoczkin, M. Losito, S. Iorio, K. Iorio, A. Berkovich, K. LoCascio-Lundgren

Absent: N. Janoczkin, K. Cladek, T. Kelley, V. Cucuzza

Guest: Tim (Rotary)

Treasurer Report:

Operating Budget – \$3,252.45

Grant – \$23,456.02

Trust Account – \$2,388.41

No meeting minutes taken for August 20, 2025.

Helping Hands – Session resumed on Thursday evenings. There are 32 registered clients. Clients resumed working on pillows from last season. Calendar of events have been distributed on 9/10/2025. Replenishment order was placed on September 15, 2025 in the amount of \$114.45.

Ceramics – Monday nights, alternating every other Monday) will resume on October 6, 2025. 24 spots have been filled and total of 3 clients are on a waiting list. Purchase order for \$1,010.00 have been processed in August for 6 items; 24 pc. of each plus paint.

Bocce Ball – Saturday's August 9 – September 6th. Games start at 10am, 1pm at Johnson Park. 15 registered clients and guests. Total expense is \$0.00

Bowling – Friday night's starting July 11 – August 15, 2025. From 6-8:3pm at Howell Lanes. Bowling will be handled by D. Henning, A. Berkovich. There is a total of 37 clients registered and participating. \$1,000.00 has been received from registration. There is a total of 145 games played at \$13/game totaling \$1,885.00 plus \$120.47 for goody bags. Total expense is \$2,005.47

Jackson Day – Saturday, September 14 (raindate Sept. 21st. S.Fries, and S. Hollander to handle event. There were 28 attendees and 9 clients. Donation of \$23.36 collected in the donation jar. Eggs and prizes used for claw machine were donated. Claw machine made by the M. Losito & family. Angela Kazima held 4 practices prior to Jackson Day and held an 11:30am time slot for the dance routine. Shirts and vinyl were purchased for personalized shirts for dances. Shirt expense was \$90.10.

Challenger Soccer – Every Sunday September 20 – October 25, from 9:30am – 11am at the Justice Complex on Turf 2. Challenger Soccer will be coached by the Losito family. Session for 9/27/2025 is cancelled. There are 13 registered clients. Goody bags will be ordered and distributed for the last session on Saturday October 25, 2025. Total expense for goody bag items is \$43.98 for 110 pcs. Awards to be ordered.

Rotary/BBQ – Sunday October 4th from 1-4pm (no rain date) at the Senior Center. Flyer distributed on September 5th. 40 clients have registered as of date; 15 registered are clients. The Rotary Club will deliver and operate the grill for hamburgers, hot dogs and additional food. The Commission will provide paper goods, the venue and dessert. Games will be played including badminton, basketball games, cornhole and more.

Halloween Party: Sunday, October 26, 2025 from 1-4pm at the Senior Center. Event will be handled by S. Iorio, T. Kelley, K. Cladek, D. Henning and A. Berkovich. Halloween flyer was distributed on September 16, 2025. Face painting will be provided by Lucy Kelley. The Jackson Township library will host 2 sensory tables at the party for guests. Oliverie Funeral home agreed to bring the hearse again this year and will participate in trunk or treat. Blue pumpkins from storage can be used as centerpieces for décor. Food for guests still in discussion, but possible food choice is pasta or hot dogs. Karen has secured a donation of 3 dozen donuts for donut eating contest. As of today, donation of pumpkins have not been secured. Music will be handled by Laurie Iorio.

Holiday Party – Sunday, December 7, 2025, from 1-4pm. Event will be at the AMVETS hall. S.Fries, S. Hollander and A. Janoczkin to handle event. More information for Holiday Party to come.

Current Business

- New events to discuss:
 - R-rated movie
 - TV and PS2 for game nights
 - Silk screen shirts
 - Library – sensory space, using community meeting room

New Business/Other Business

- Murder mystery night
- Purchase Commission tent
- Square/Line dancing
- Purchase of new items:
 - Indoor bocce, hot dog bun steamer and crock pot, paint easels for helping hands, additional blender (COSTCO)
- Pending Amazon order, estimating \$887.26
- A.Janoczkin donated indoor basketball toss
- New JTCD/H sign for back of building
- Blue Claws on/around Father's Day 2026
- ROID Grant: additional activities to consider

Old Business

- Vinnie suggestion of corporate donations from Shop-rite
- Horseback riding; options
- Adventure Crossing – A.Berkovich to discuss

Motion to Adjourn S. Iorio, D. Henning, second.

Meeting Adjourned 8:30 pm

Minutes prepared and submitted by: Marilene Losito, Recording Secretary

***NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD October 15, 2025 ***