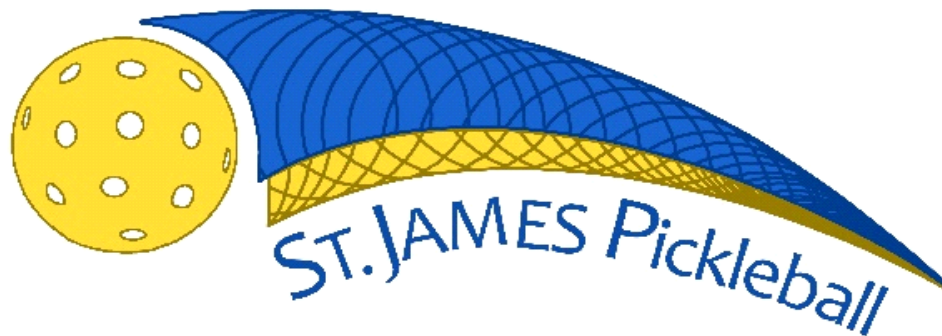




St. James Pickleball Association
Meeting Minutes with Board and Chairs

Date: July 14, 2026

In Attendance:

Don Ammann	President
Michael Melnyk	Vice President
Robyn Smith	Secretary
Randy Kraemer	Communications
Scott Nasiff	Tournaments and Events
Diane Norton	Sunshine & Instruction Committee
Joey Caraccio	Pickleball Pro

Guests: Kent Silhanek, Brandee Donnelly

Absent: Leo Pacyna, Cindy Hettinger

President's report

Ongoing needs have been addressed:

- Retractable gates at Rymer have been replaced where needed along with hooks
- There are some in storage to be used as needed
- The windsock at Seaside has been replaced

There are three pickleball ambassadors in place to help new players find groups to play with:

Bill Kamszik – beginner to 3.0

Cindy Hettinger – 3.0 to 3.75

Don Ammann – 3.75+

Vice-President's report

There is a new Round Robin scheduled in September and running for four weeks beginning September 5th. It will be open to non-CFIL participants only. Registration is through SJPA website. Games will be played on Wednesdays and Saturdays. Two sessions Wednesday 4-5:30 (women) and 5:30-7 (men). Ratings will be DUPR or self-rated. Saturday games will be played in the afternoon.

Joe Beitz is organizing an intramural St. James league in October. There will be 4 teams registered through the website.

The open board meeting is being arranged. The annual meeting will be held on October 15th at 6:00 pm.

In an ongoing effort to be responsive to our membership, Mike is going to conduct another survey asking members what they like and don't like about SJPA. It appears that pickleball gatherings are more popular than social and input is encouraged.

Secretary's Report

Open items:

Don is following up on CPR classes likely to be held at the SJFD. Signup will be through SJPA, presumably for 2 sessions.

Music during events was discussed. The next likely event for music would be Under the Lights on September 11.

Treasurer's Report

Leo Pacyna submitted the treasurer's report with details for June.

Social Committee:

The Magic Show is booked for next year. That is the last social event booked aside from tournaments and pickleball events.

The Social Committee is looking for a new chair. The contact point is Randy Kraemer.

Tournaments and Events:

Upcoming events Q3:

- Drill and Play August 20
- Ladies Round Robin August 27
- Under the Lights with food truck September 11

Battle of the Paddle is scheduled September 26-27. Registration will open August 1. The cost is \$50 for a player and \$68 for a dinner guest.

There is a need for a new VP/Chair of the Events committee. Contact is Randy Kraemer.

See event calendar for remainder of 2026.

Communications

Randy Kraemer continues to be the contact person for registering upcoming events and for anyone volunteering to participate in SJPA committees.

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