For over a year now Hamburg has publicly discussed changing recreation operating policies to streamline and improve youth sports activities. Currently the youth football/cheer/pom program has a working relationship with Pinckney Schools, the youth softball is now ran by the schools and baseball has asked the schools to consider their programming as well. Youth soccer has a membership that has declined to less than 25 kids from Hamburg Township, a community with a population of nearly 24,000. Pinckney Community Education has approached the Township with an offer of running a youth soccer with professional programming and returning the program to respectable numbers. That is the only thing that is being considered at Tuesdays Board meeting. It should be noted that Hamburg Township does not operate or have the staff to provide for youth sports programming.

Any concerns regarding the family fun fest or the moving wall memorial being affected are factually unfounded. The fact is those dates are already blacked out and saved for those events.

Hamburg Township's concern is for our youth to have the best possible experience. It's all about the kids period.

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