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Mount Joy Township Park & Recreation Board

April 14, 2026 @ 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Roll call.
3. Public Comment:
4. Approval and ratification of the minutes of the March 10, 2026, meeting:
5. Old Trolley Line Grant Update:
Chuck Strodoski from YSM Landscape Architects will be in attendance to discuss the proposed features and seek input on some of the details of the park grant and expansion.
6. Township Park Rules:
Discussion of and recommendation of current Township Park Rules in reference to food trucks, trash disposal, application fees, etc.
7. Correspondence:
8. The next meeting of the Park and Recreation Board is scheduled to be held on **May 12, 2026**, at **7:00 P.M.**
9. Adjournment.



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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Mount Joy Township Park & Recreation Board Held on March 10, 2026

1. Adam Reed called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in Mount Joy Township Fairview Municipal Building at 8853 Elizabethtown Road, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.
2. Roll call: Present –Donald Bush, William Duncan and Adam Reed. Absent - Karen Boyer and John Felix Jr.

Others in attendance – Matthew Mandia, Township Manager, and Cindy Gonzalez, Assistant Township Secretary.

3. Public Comment:

Karrie Norman from GEARS was in attendance and expressed her concerns about having special events on the same days as tournaments. She mentioned how the parking situation would be terrible. She just wanted to voice her concerns to the board.

4. Approval and Ratification of the minutes of the February 10, 2026 meeting:

A motion was made by William Duncan and seconded by Donald Bush to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2026 meeting as written. All members present voted in favor of the minutes

5. Tri-County-Conewago Creek Shed Association:

Liz Fulton was in attendance from the Tri-County Conewago Creek Shed Association to present an event to be held on April 25th, 2026, at Old Trolley Line Park. This would be for Earth Day and the organization is trying to reach more of the community for the water shed. There are 10-15 participating organizations that have been invited with around 9 confirmed. She is trying to get the community involved, picking up trash, taking care of the trees at no cost to the township and also planting new trees. The event last year had roughly 50-75 people attend. She said they are flexible with dates but really would like April 25th. She requested a food truck but said it is fine if there is not one. All their activities are free to the public and those who wish to participate. She is open to having a conversation with the board.

Donald Bush said he loves the idea and it sounds like awesome stuff. He did point out that there is not enough parking since there will also be baseball tournaments that day as well. Liz Fulton agreed and said they will not be selling anything, just want the community involvement. Donald Bush said he understands but tournament days are jam packed with cars. Liz Fulton said that last year they didn't have to use many spaces. A lot of participants arrive together, and they don't all stay the entire 3 hours. Adam Reed also agrees that parking is the major concern. Liz stated that they are meeting next week to see if they can park at the bike shop or the conservancy across the street. Adam Reed stated there is not much parking at the conservancy. Liz asked if maybe Sunday the 26th would work. Karrie Norman stated that the tournaments are run on Saturday and Sunday. Adam Reed asked if the Board of Supervisor's approved the prior event request. Matt Mandia said yes, they did. Donald Bush agrees the parking is the biggest issue. Matt Mandia stated that if this will be annual, we must do a better job of scheduling. Donald Bush stated that the board also has to look at the food truck situation to either allow more than one or none. Adam Reed asked if the food truck was not for profit? Donald Bush

said not many if any, food trucks are not for profit. Adam Reed said if off-site parking is arranged, he is fine with the event happening. Matt Mandia asked how late the tournaments run. Karrie Norman said usually 6-7 pm on Saturdays and a little earlier on Sundays. Donald Bush said he is willing to try anything once. William Duncan seconded that idea and asked if we can park at the end of Koser Road on the area the township owns and walk to the park? Donald Bush said that would pose a safety issue.

A motion was made by Adam Reed and seconded by Donald Bush to allow the event to take place as long as there is no food truck and they can secure alternate parking. All members voted in favor of the motion.

6. Elizabethtown Common Sense:

Lynn Malinak was in attendance to request a 5K run at Old Trolley Line Park on August 16th, 2026, to benefit the facility dogs that travel to the district schools to offer support to students. Her dogs offer emotional support; a chill environment and the dogs sit with the kids when they read etcetera. The fundraiser would help offset food costs for the dogs as well as veterinary costs. The start and end point of the 5K would be near the Conewago trail portion of the park. She had already spoken to Pat Bailey and was told there are no tournaments that day. They would start the 5K at the East end of the park and stay on the paved trails. They would turn around at Bellaire Road and have a water station. Donald Bush asked if she had submitted an application to Lancaster County Park and Recreation. She said yes, she just hasn't heard back yet. Adam Reed offered for Lynn to contact Mt. Calvary to see how their 5K goes and she can get their contact info from Pat Bailey. Lynn wanted to know is it's ok to turn around on Koser Road with no roadblocks. Matt Mandia offered to speak with the Chief of Police and let them know it will be happening just so they are aware in case of an emergency. Lynn wanted to know if they would need an officer on hand. Matt Mandia said he would take care of contacting the Chief. Adam Reed asked if there were any other questions or concerns. Donald Bush just mentioned to Lynn that they would not have exclusive use of the park, that the public will still be there. Lynn asked about pavilion rental. Adam Reed said there is a small fee and check with Cristy Becker at the Township office for availability and reserving a pavilion. Lynn also stated that it would be a 9am start and was hoping participants could bring their dogs. Mat Mandia stated, yes, as long as they are leashed. Donald Bush asked if this is their first annual event? Lynn stated yes, it is. There were no more questions.

A motion was made by Donald Bush and seconded by William Duncan to approve the Elizabethtown Common Sense 5k Run at Old Trolley Line Park on August 16, 2026 and was seconded by William Duncan. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

7. Other Business:

Donald Bush mentioned that he will be absent at the April meeting and to put the discussion of food trucks on the next agenda for April.

8. Correspondence: None

9. The next meeting of the Park and Recreation Board is scheduled to be held on **April 14, 2026 at 7:00 P.M.**

A motion was made by William Duncan and seconded by Donald Bush to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted,



Patricia J. Bailey, Secretary

- L. No person shall engage in any violent, abusive, loud, boisterous, vulgar, lewd, wanton, obscene or otherwise disorderly conduct tending to create a breach of the peace or to disturb or annoy others while in or on any Township property. No person shall commit any indecent or immoral act intending to debauch the morals or manners of the public while in or on any Township property.
- M. No person shall golf on Township property.
- N. No person shall gamble on Township property.
- O. No person shall engage in camping on Township property.
- P. No person shall peddle or solicit business of any nature whatsoever on Township property without prior written Township authorization. Requests for such authorization shall be made to the Township in writing at least one week prior to the scheduled event in accordance with the following: **[Amended 7-18-2022 by Ord. No. 335-2022]**
- (1) Applicants must be an established organization within the Elizabethtown Area School District or Donegal School District, excluding for-profit businesses.
 - (2) The date on which the proposed activity is to be held shall not conflict with any previously scheduled activity at the park. No more than one vendor shall be permitted per day per park.
 - (3) A hold harmless release in a form acceptable to the Township shall be executed and provided to the Township.
 - (4) The application shall include the application fee as established by the Board of Supervisors.
 - (5) If the proposal involves the sale or distribution of food products, the following shall be provided as applicable:
 - (a) Certificate of insurance naming the Township as additional insured at a minimum coverage of \$1,000,000.
 - (b) Permanent or temporary retail food license issued by the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture.
 - (c) Safe food handling certification.
 - (d) Demonstration of compliance with standards contained within the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Mobile Food Facility Operation Guide.
 - (e) Applicant and/or vendor shall provide a method of trash collection and disposal other than waste receptacles provided at the park.
- Q. No person shall operate electric generators or chain saws or other powered implements on Township property other than Township employees, Township contractors and entities granted approval as set forth in § 90-3P. **[Amended 7-18-2022 by Ord. No. 335-2022]**
- R. Rollerblades, bicycles, skateboards and scooters may be operated on trails and parking lots only. Any rider must be in control of his or her vehicle and shall grant the right-of-way to pedestrians.
- S. No person shall have or conduct any live musical, theatrical or other entertainment or exhibit, instruct, compete, demonstrate or allow a special event unless authorized by the applicable approval authority and unless all necessary permits have been obtained. Notwithstanding the foregoing, acoustical music shall be permitted.