

BETHEL TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Minutes – 4 June 2026

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – The meeting was held at the Bethel Township’s Municipal Building, 3015 S. Pine Grove Street, Fredericksburg, PA 17026. Called to order at 7:01pm.

ROLL CALL

Julie Keiter	Present (co-chair)
Jerilynn Mease	Present
Lauren Snader	Absent
John Shireman, Alternate	Absent
Allison Showalter	Present (chair)
Samantha Acri	Present (recording secretary)

There was one (1) audience member in attendance, Melissa Johnson (township manager).

COMMENTS – Melissa Johnson shared that a member of the board will need to unlock the large pavilion for a rental by NLLL this Saturday morning (June 6th). Allison and Jerilynn agreed to unlock the door.

MINUTES – Julie Keiter made a motion to approve the minutes from May 7th, 2026, seconded by Allison Showalter. All voted in favor.

TREASURY REPORT – Checking account balance: \$71,612.66. Savings account balance: \$411,884.88.

BILLS PAYABLE – Jerilynn Mease made a motion to pay the bills as presented, seconded by Samantha Acri. All voted in favor.

Brubaker’s Restaurant Equipment – Migali Cooler (concession stand)	\$2,325.00
Buckman’s Inc – Hypochlorite Solution	\$619.00
JRE Bounce Co. – Bounce House Deposit (Kids Fall Fun Day)	\$171.00
Jonestown Ag Supply, LLC – Supplies (park)	\$7.83
Jono Hardware – Supplies (park)	\$20.17
Kathleen Sheroky – Reimbursement (concession stand register start-up)	\$200.00
Met-Ed – Monthly Invoice	\$343.94

Total	\$3,686.94

OLD BUSINESS

LSA Grant, Sprinkler System for Baseball Field – First round of bidding now complete. Two bids were submitted, but both were much higher (5x) than expected. Township supervisors voted to reject the bids at their most recent meeting. With a short timeline, high advertising costs, and not much interest from companies willing to bid, the group agreed to pause efforts on this project. We will discuss next steps with the NLLL board so that they are aware of the status.

America250PA Township Events

- Tentative July 4th weekend pool party/celebration pending due to potential lack of pool staffing (lifeguards). Assuming we have staff, Allison Showalter made a motion to lower daily admission prices on July 3, 4, and 5 to \$2.50 per person, seconded by Jerilynn Mease. All voted in favor. The group agreed to use existing supplies or purchase minimal décor to decorate in case we aren’t able to have the pool open.

- “Paint the Town Red White, and Blue” decorating contest is still open for registration. No submissions have been received yet. Promotion and outreach continuing, including posting on social media.

Retaining Wall at Baseball Backstop – No update, still waiting for pricing. No response to most recent outreach.

NEW BUSINESS

Head Lifeguard Wage – Allison Showalter made a motion to set the hourly wage for head lifeguard to \$16/hour (same as last year) with the condition that all responsibilities of the head lifeguard are followed as defined in the job description (creating schedules, finding/providing coverage, completing required paperwork, etc.), seconded by Julie Keiter. All voted in favor.

Lifeguard T-Shirts – A request was shared with Melissa Johnson to provide t-shirts for pool staff/lifeguards. Allison Showalter made a motion to deny the request at this time, seconded by Julie Keiter. All voted in favor. We will check what is currently in storage and share anything available. Staff are also expected to re-use their shirts from the previous season, when possible.

Board Member Attendance at Meetings – Allison Showalter made a motion to remove John Shireman from the Park & Recreation board due to non-attendance/lack of response to outreach attempts, seconded by Julie Keiter. All voted in favor.

Trash at Park/Playground – The group discussed multiple issues with trash throughout the park, including at least one issue related to the NLLL concession stand items being left throughout the playground and another issue with an individual associated with NLLL causing damage to structures at the park. Issues were brought to the attention of the NLLL board and will continue to be monitored. Trash cans are available at the park, and maintenance staff will begin leaving extra trash bags in case they are needed.

Treatment for Carpenter Bees and Stinging Insects – Allison Showalter made a motion to approve a quote from County Line Pest Control & Landscaping, LLC for \$175.00 to address bees and stinging insects at the park, seconded by Jerilynn Mease. All voted in favor.

ADJOURNMENT – *Next scheduled meeting July 2nd, 2026 at 7pm. With no further business, Allison Showalter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:48pm, seconded by Jerilynn Mease. All voted in favor.*

Samantha Acri
Recording Secretary