BETHEL TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Minutes – 6 August 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
Allison Showalter	Present (chair)
Samantha Acri	Present (recording secretary)

There were two (2) audience member in attendance – Jake Keiter (resident) and Melissa Johnson (township manager).

COMMENTS – Julie Keiter asked if we will continue accepting additions to the Touch-a-Truck event this fall, such as a tractor trailer. The group agreed yes, everyone is welcome.

MINUTES – Jerilynn Mease made a motion to approve the minutes from July 2nd, 2026, seconded by Allison Showalter. All voted in favor.

TREASURY REPORT – Checking account balance: $100,254.90; Savings account balance: $411,884.88

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

Buckman's Inc. – Hypochlorite Solution	$219.00
Commonwealth of PA – Pesticide License Exam (Brewer)	$50.00
County Line Pest Control – Insect Control (concession stand)	$150.00
John Gross & Company – Supplies (pool)	$501.30
Jonestown Ag Supply, LLC – Supplies (pool)	$21.16
Met-Ed – Monthly Invoice	$701.92
Pure Test Laboratory – Bacteria Testing (pool)	$490.00
Visa, First Citizen – Supplies (pool)	$245.26
Wicked Kolors, Inc – Down Payment, 50% (large pavilion floors)	$5,750.00

Total	$8,128.64

OLD BUSINESS

Retaining Wall at Baseball Backstop – No update

NEW BUSINESS

Reed's Lock & Access Control, Locks & Doors Estimate – An estimate was provided to replace locks throughout the park/pool buildings and gates as well as replace certain doors entirely. Allison Showalter made a motion to accept the proposal to replace locks on eight (8) doors plus gate padlocks with properly coordinated keys at a price of $3,573.99 and to accept the proposal of $1,975.19 **per door** for full replacement if needed, seconded by Jerilynn Mease. All voted in favor. The group agreed to defer to the maintenance crew and/or supervisors to decide which doors will need replaced.

Pool Hours – Julie Keiter made a motion to adjust closing time at the pool to 6pm for the remainder of the season due to low attendance, seconded by Jerilynn Mease. All voted in favor.

Pool Closing Date - Allison Showalter made a motion to set August 23rd, 2026 as the official closing date for the 2026 pool season (last day of staff availability), seconded by Samantha Acri. All voted in favor.

Baseball Field Complaints – A resident submitted a verbal complaint about baseballs landing near and hitting their house. A written complaint with photo/video was requested but not received. A township employee also witnessed adults using the field and hitting balls toward cars. The baseball field at the park is intended for Little League use only (no adults). The group discussed the potential benefits of posting an age restriction sign at the field but agreed to take no action and continue to monitor at this time.

NLLL Agenda Request, Field Use – No update. A representative from NLLL was not in attendance.

Child Clearance Checks, All Board Members – Allison Showalter made a motion to require that all board members maintain Child Clearance certification due to our interaction with children at township events, seconded by Samantha Acri. All voted in favor. Board members are expected to submit proof of their clearance to the township by next month's meeting.

Trunk-or-Treat 2026 – Samantha Acri made a motion to select Friday Oct. 23rd, 2026 from 5-7pm as this year's date for Trunk-or-Treat at the park, seconded by Allison Showalter. All voted in favor. The group will begin planning the event, advertising, and inviting vendors/organizations to host a trunk.

General Park Events – Standing agenda item, no update at this time.

End of Season Event – The group discussed ideas for an end-of-season celebration at the pool. With only two weeks until closing, we decided it is too late to plan an event for this year. We will re-evaluate next year.

ADJOURNMENT – *Next scheduled meeting September 3rd, 2026 at 7pm. With no further business,* Allison Showalter *made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:37pm, seconded by Samantha Acri. All voted in favor.*

Samantha Acri
Recording Secretary