BETHEL TOWNSHIP PARK AND RECREATION BOARD
Minutes – 3 September 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	Absent
Lauren Snader	Present
Allison Showalter	Present (chair)
Samantha Acri	Present (recording secretary)

There was zero (0) audience members in attendance.

COMMENTS – The group discussed the 2026 pool season and agreed to request any available information regarding season/daily pass sales, concession sales, etc. to inform next year's planning. Allison Showalter commented that the large pile of gravel at the park will need to be moved/used before our next event at the park and that children have been seen climbing on it.

MINUTES – Julie Keiter made a motion to approve the minutes from August 6th, 2026, seconded by Allison Showalter. All voted in favor.

TREASURY REPORT – Checking account balance: $94,667.43. Savings account balance: $412,403.97**.**

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

Ebling's – Stihl Backpack Blower	$439.99
Met-Ed – Monthly Invoice	$737.06
Nature's Accents – Lawn Care (baseball field)	$223.66
Visa, First Citizen – Supplies (pool)	$72.40

Total	$1,473.11

OLD BUSINESS

Retaining Wall at Baseball Backstop – Nature's Accents Landscaping provided an estimate of $6,880 for this work. Allison Showalter made a motion to approve the quote and schedule work to begin, seconded by Julie Keiter. All voted in favor.

Park Events – Two scheduled events were discussed plus a new spring event:

- Fall Fun Day/Touch-a-Truck: Scheduled for September 26, 2026 from 1-4pm. Everything is on track with planning, still need to find a police vehicle (usual contact is unavailable). Allison Showalter made a motion to allocate up to $100 in spending for bubbles or other small giveaways for the event, seconded by Lauren Snader. All voted in favor.
- Trunk or Treat: Scheduled for October 23, 2026 from 5-7pm. Planning is in progress to invite more volunteers.
- Spring Fling + Car Show: The group discussed ideas to improve upon last year's Spring Fling event and select a date for next spring. Allison Showalter made a motion to tentatively schedule this event for May 15, 2027 from 10am – 4pm with an added car show this time, seconded by Julie Keiter. All voted in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

Large Pavilion Floor Upgrade – There was a change in the business handling our epoxy flooring project, so our original deposit was refunded. The installers and price are not changing, but we need to resign the contract and re-issue our deposit. Allison Showalter made a motion to agree to the contract presented by Haglee's Decorative Coating, Inc. for work in the large pavilion at a total cost of $11,500.00, seconded by Samantha Acri. All voted in favor.

Replacement Plaque at Park Flower Bed – Ian Stewart submitted a request to have the Recreation Board purchase a new plaque for his Eagle Scout project at the park. The board declined the request at this time.

LSA Sprinkler Grant – The group discussed what to do with the $25,000 grant funds awarded to install a sprinkler system at the park's baseball field. The bids for the project far exceeded $25,000, so it is not feasible to continue the project as planned. We need additional clarification on what the grant funds can be used for – any improvements at the park? Large pavilion? Options include liquidating grant, applying for additional funding, or paying for difference between grant funds and project cost out of our budget. No decisions made at this time.

ADJOURNMENT – *Next scheduled meeting October 1st, 2026 at 7pm. With no further business, Allison Showalter made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:26pm, seconded by Julie Keiter. All voted in favor.*

Samantha Acri
Recording Secretary