MAIDENCREEK TOWNSHIP
Park and Recreation Board Meeting
Regular Meeting on April 23, 2026

Attending: Nancy Runyon, Christine Shuman, Aaron Rogers, Raquel Bonilla, Marcus Shellenberger (by phone), and Christina Hafer (Recording Secretary).

Guests: Lauren Moran, Keith Shuman (Road Foreman).

Nancy Runyon called to order the regular Park and Recreation meeting at 6:14 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Raquel Bonilla motioned to approve the March 26, 2026, meeting minutes, seconded by Christine Shuman. All present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILL LIST

Racquel Bonilla motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report and Bill List, seconded by Christine Shuman. All present voted in favor, and the motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Upper Loop Discussion.

Lauren Moran, a landscape designer, introduced herself to the Park & Recreation Board and is willing to offer some ideas on the upper-loop discussion. Her thoughts were to keep the upper loop a more passive area and keep the exercise equipment in the lower loop closer to the playground. Laurens suggested native plants and evergreens in the upper loop area. Keith Shuman said there will be a paved path that has already begun, and the loops cannot be linked together. She complimented the P&R Board on the additional trees planted at the Community Park.

OLD BUSINESS

Craft Show/Flea Market final update.

The P&R Board will meet Saturday, May 2nd, at 7:00 am at the Community Park for setup.

American 250th Family Fun Day.

Nancy Runyon's brother will print the dog bandanas for free. The Lions Club will be in charge of the eating contests, and the Legion, and the Breakfast Brothers are donating to the event. Aaron will be making some of the prizes for the children participating. Christine suggested emailing the letters that were sent out or sending another letter to all businesses with the date of the event. They also discussed the bands for the event due to timing issues and keeping cost low and this is now resolved. Everything is settled for Family Fun Day, and there will be two meetings before the event. The Boy Scouts are set for the flag ceremony for the opening and the closing, along with a prayer for the closing. The Northern Berks Police Department vehicle, the Blandon Fire Company vehicle, the Northern Berks EMS vehicle, and the road crew truck will be there, too.

A motion was made by Marcus Shellenbeger to send a second letter to the business in Maidencreek for participation in America's 250th anniversary celebrations. Aaron Rogers seconded the motion, all present voted in favor, and the motion passed.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Aaron Rogers said he thinks the gazebo or pergola should still be at the upper loop area. Keith said the trail should be complete in the second week of May. They will continue the discussion about the upper loop at the next meeting, revitalize the park in the future, and focus more on the children's areas with a separation of age groups. Aaron said 97 people have signed up for the Flea Market/Craft Show, and they decided that the vendors will arrive at 8:30 am. Food trucks will be at the Flea Market/Craft Show event. There will be more food trucks added to Food Truck Fridays in August and September, with the flyers on the township website.

Earth Day was a success; 27 participated, including the Boy Scouts, and everyone had a fun time. The food trucks have sent in their donations. They also discussed getting more shirts and purchasing hats. Additional parking was also discussed for the events, using part of the soccer field. Volunteers should arrive 3 hours before the start of the event. Aaron sent all the information to FACO and asked for additional volunteers for the event.

NEW BUSINESS - None

ADJOURNMENT

Christine Shuman motioned to adjourn, seconded by Raquel Bonilla, and approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Christina Hafer, Secretary