

Park Commission Agenda
Thursday, June 5th, 2025, 7pm

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting
4. Approval of Thursday, May 1st, meeting minutes
5. Chairperson's Report

New Business

6. Introduction – 2025 Summer Intern Jullian Tate
7. Review – Memorial Day Remembrance & Camp Out
8. Recommendation – Department of Parks and Recreation, new logo
9. Update – Community Day
10. Update – 2025 SE Pa Teen Filmmakers Showcase

Old Business

11. Update – America250 & Chesco Catalina Wine Mixer events
12. Update – Potential Mill Creek ballfield conversion to Miracle Field
13. Park and Recreation Director Report
 - a. Yoga, Zumba, Senior Activities – on going
 - b. Ping Pong Parkinson – on going
 - c. Summer Camp – just around the corner
 - d. Community Day – June 28
14. Maintenance Report
15. Liaison Reports
16. Another other matter
17. Public Comment
18. Meeting Adjournment

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EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
May 1, 2025

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, May 1, 2025 at the Township Building.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Eric Tobin, Chairman

Peter Knapp, Vice Chairman

Karen Battavio, Secretary

Deborah Snyder

Jessica Bottaro

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore

Daniel Leicht

Doug Staffelbach

Kishor Thakarar

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation (via phone)

Jess Wilhelmy, Recreation Program Coordinator

Peter Hicks, Township Supervisor

Dan Callahan, Boy Scout

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Eric called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Eric led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Eric asked for a moment of silence for our first responders and military.

Eric asked if anyone would be recording the meeting. There was no response

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 6, 2024 meeting and the April 3, 2025 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Event Review -

a. Egg Hunt – It had to be moved to Sunday because of the weather so attendance was good but about 2/3 of what it would be on a Saturday. The 5 and under were at 9:30 at the pavilion. The 6 to 10 were on the playground. Supervisors Barbara Emery and John Hertzog were there.

b. Jr. Beekeepers – There were 2 sessions. The second session was done with Adam Joseph of 6ABC. Jason had a class for adults with Carmen which went very well.

c. Yard Sale – This event had to be moved to Sunday because of the weather. It was very windy and not well attended.

d. Amputee Bocce – This was done in partnership with Kinetics Prosthetics. It was well attended, and another class will be held in the Fall.

2. Program Areas – EG Parks and Recreation has always had a well-rounded and comprehensive profile of programming that provides for all populations across the Township. It is important to discuss and update program areas as needed. The areas that were discussed are:

a. Blue – Senior’s, Book CLUB, Card Club. Movie, Monthly Specials.

b. Orange – Trips, Day and Destination

- c. Purple – Sports
- d. Light Green – Environment, Nature Warriors, Beekeeper
- e. Dark Green – EGT Heritage, Blacksmith Shop, Ghost Walk, America250
- f. Yellow – Special Events
- g. Red – Adaptive, Ping Pong Parkinson, Neuro Sports Prosthetics, Miracle Field
- h. Light Purple – Youth

Eric made a motion to recognize the EG Program Focus Areas as presented. Jessica seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. New EGPR Logo – Jason reviewed some local logos with the Commission members. He will ask Jess W. to design a few for next month’s meeting based on comments made at this meeting.

4. EGT Park Camp Out – This will be held on Saturday May 31 at EG Park. There will be movies, bonfires, etc.

5. New Partnership, Snapology – It is a youth technology program after school similar to the STEM programs in the schools.

OLD BUSINESS

1. America250 & Chesco Catalina Wine Mixer events -

a. The America250 will be held on May 30, 2026. It will be Goshenville 250 on the pathway to freedom. Thomas Jefferson will lead the parade in East Goshen Park. There will be a copy of the Constitution for him to sign. There will be a Revolutionary War style escape room. Ken Burns is making a RW film. Jason wants to show it on the back wall of the Plank House.

b. Catalina Wine Mixer will be held on September 6, 2025 from 2 to 6 pm at the Chester County American Helicopter Museum. 800 tickets went on sale May 1st. They cost \$50 per person, \$90 for 2 people and \$45 for a designated driver.

2. Mill Creek Ballfield Conversion to Miracle Field– Jason provided a copy of the agreement that was reviewed by the Township Attorney. The entire area will be ADA compliant and can be used for other events too. The field is on the Goshen Parkway. There will be two dugouts, a concession stand, a small pavilion, parking, and lights. The BOS will review it and approve the engineering at their May 13th meeting.

3. 2025 Memorial Day event – this will be held on Memorial Day, Monday May 26, 2025 at 2 pm. If the weather is bad we can use the Fire Station on Park Ave. Jason has 500 small flags to display so he needs some help with this.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

1, Yoga, Zumba and Senior Activities are ongoing.

2. PingPong Parkinson – on going

3. Spring sports are in full swing

4. Mondays at the Movies – May 5

5. Adult Beekeepers class May 1

6. Applebrook Golf – May 6

7. Trips - Today a group of 27 residents left for 10 days in Ireland. The Leprechaun was here to see them off.

May 17 is the NYC day trip

The next trip is this December 13 – 20, 2025 to Germany/Austria for the holiday Christmas Season Markets.

PARK MAINTENANCE REPORT

1. Both bathrooms in the East Goshen Park are open.

LIAISON REPORTS

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ANY OTHER MATTER

Another item needs to be added to the agenda for a grant application. Debbie made a motion to add PPFC Grant Application to the agenda. Eric seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. PPFC Grant Application -The PingPong Parkinson program has been very successful in its first year. We currently average 8-10 players and have 4-5 more on a wait list. They play on Tuesday from 9:30 – 11:00 am. All of the players agree that the program has improved their overall health with regards to Parkinson’s. The People, Parks and Community Foundation has an open grant that we can utilize to double our capacity. The request would be for \$1,000 and support the purchase of two more tables. There is no match associated with this grant. The application deadline is May 30, 2025. Jessica made a motion that the EGPR apply for a PPCF grant to help fund PingPong Parkinson program improvements. Ann Marie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Ann Marie moved to adjourn the meeting. Debbie seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday June 5, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary