

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
March 6, 2025

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, March 6, 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

Peter called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Peter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the January 2, 2024 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. New Member – Jason introduced Doug Staffelbach as the newest member of the Park & Recreation Commission.
2. Beta Theta Pi - .The Park Commission recognized Beta Theta Pi as Volunteer Organization of the year 2024. They were presented with a plaque and celebratory cake. The BTP President thanked the Commission for the recognition and discussed future community involvement plans.
3. Review 2025 new Park & Rec Logo design plan – Jason reviewed the timeline to discuss, evaluate and present new logo design options to the BOS and general public for a vote. He also presented new department program focus areas to be discussed and approved at a future Park Commission meeting.
4. Egg Hunt – The 2025 Egg Hunt will feature two age groups, staggered by 30 minutes. The change was made to address the issue of having too many older siblings with younger kids.
5. Kinetic Prosthetics – Jason discussed partnering with KP to offer adaptive programming in our parks, most likely an Amputee Bocce to start sometime in late spring.

6. Senior's Events - The Park Commission discussed the Senior's Wacky Olympics and PingPong Parkinson activities, both of which are well attended and will carry on. PPP is looking for financial funding to add tables to meet the waitlist demand.

OLD BUSINESS

1. America250 & Chesco Catalina Wine Mixer events - The America250 committee met and has finalized May 30, 2026 for the "big" event with 2-3 events planned for both sides of the big event. Jason will meet with the fireworks/donor vendor next week.

2. Mill Creek Ballfield Conversion to Miracle Field– Jason met with the Township Engineer. There are no issues/site considerations large enough that can't be addressed. Jason will draft a financial agreement for partnership with MLCC. Peter Hicks asked about maintenance costs. Public Works estimates \$10,000 per year to be offset by MLCC (\$3,000) and field rentals on non-MLCC dates.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

- 1, Yoga, Zumba and Senior Cards are ongoing.
- 2. Ping Pong Parkinson – on going

PARK MAINTENANCE REPORT

- 1. None

LIAISON REPORTS

None

ANY OTHER MATTER

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Debbie moved to adjourn the meeting. Peter seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday April 3, 2025 at 7:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary
Notes from Jason Lang