

Park Commission Agenda
Thursday, Dec 4th, 2025, 7pm

1. Call to Order
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Ask if anyone is recording the meeting
4. Approval of Thursday, Nov 6th, meeting minutes
5. Chairperson's Report

New Business

6. Recognize 2025 Parks and Recreation Volunteer of the Year
7. Review 2026 Parks and Recreation calendar
8. Review America250 calendar
9. Review – Salute to Service & Holiday Celebration events
10. Discuss – 2026 Park Commission Reorganization
11. Upcoming – Seniors Wacky Olympics, Jan 22

Old Business

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. Stuff Santa's Sleigh Toy Drive – Dec 1 to Dec 15
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
November 6, 2025

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, November 6, 2025 at the Township Building.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Eric Tobin, Chairman

Peter Knapp, Vice Chairman

Karen Battavio, Secretary

Deborah Snyder (on phone)

Jessica Bottaro

Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore

Daniel Leicht

Doug Staffebach

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Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation

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 October 2, 2025 meeting were approved.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None

NEW BUSINESS

1. New Park and Recreation Logo - There were 200 votes and they selected #2 on the website. The Commission members suggested that Pickleball and a camera be part of it.

2. Pumpkin Festival - This annual event was held on Saturday October 11th from 10 am to 12 noon. It was well attended. However, several people mentioned that they saw people taking too many pumpkins. Next year the area will be enclosed in snow fence and the pumpkins will be set on the ground in rows for the kids to pick up. The masks were a great hit with the kids. The stickers were better than face painting.

3. Food Truck and Music Festival - This was not well attended because of the rain that came through in the afternoon.

4. Senior Halloween Activities - Family Feud was held on October 30. About 30 people attended some with very good costumes. Prizes were given for the best costume and the winning Family Feud team. They collected candy for the VA.

1 5. Toddler Trick or Treat - This event is always a lot of fun watching the young children in their costumes ask for
2 candy. The Candy Corn Survey was fun too so it will be done next year. The survey showed that over 50% want
3 to allow candy corn for Halloween.
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5 6. 2026 Calendar – Jason provided copies of the calendar of events for 2026.
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7 7. Beat Ben Fun Run - This will be held on April 25, 2026. Jason will dress up as Ben Franklin and race with the
8 kids. There will be kite flying demos and crafts for the kids.
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10 **OLD BUSINESS**

11 1. America250 - This will be held on May 30, 2026 from 3:00 pm to the fire works. The Army old guard is
12 coming for the parade which will be at 5:00 pm.
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14 2. Mill Creek Ballfield Conversion to Miracle Field– Jason reported that they sent a letter to Synthes but haven't
15 heard back from them yet. The contingency plan is that it could be done in East Goshen Park where the soccer
16 fields are. Bathrooms will be needed, and it will be surrounded by fencing.
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18 3. NRP Conference – this will be held Sept. 29 to Oct. 1, 2026 in Philadelphia. Jason asked that some of the
19 Commission members attend.
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21 4. Food Truck Festival – This will be held October 10, 2026. Jason has applied for a grant.
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23 **RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT**

24 1, Yoga, Zumba and Senior Activities are ongoing.

25 2. PingPong Parkinson – on going

26 3. WEGO Coat Drive – Nov 5 to Nov 26. The box is in the lobby.

27 4. Salute to Service Day – Nov. 8 at 10 pm at East Goshen Park entrance.

28 5. Holiday Celebration and Christmas Tree Lighting – Dec 1

29 6. Stuff Santa's Sleigh Toy Drive – Dec 1 to Dec 15.
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31 **PARK MAINTENANCE REPORT**

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34 **LIAISON REPORTS**

35 None
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37 **ANY OTHER MATTER**

38 1. Reorganizing – In January 2026 the Commission will have reorganization. Eric's two year term as Chairman
39 will be done. Also a new Comp Plan will be considered.
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41 **ADJOURNMENT**

42 There being no further business, Debbie moved to adjourn the meeting. Karen seconded the motion. The meeting
43 was adjourned at 7:45 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday December 4, 2025 and will start at
44 6/30 pm. Bring Holiday treats.
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46 Respectfully submitted,
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50 Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary
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