

EAST GOSHEN TOWNSHIP
Park & Recreation Commission Meeting
September 3, 2026

The regular meeting of the East Goshen Township Park and Recreation Commission was held on Thursday, September 3, 2026 at the Township building at 7:00 pm.

Commission members present are highlighted:

Deborah Snyder, Chairman – via phone
Karen Battavio, Vice Chairman
Eric Tobin
Peter Knapp
Jessica Bottaro
Ann Marie Fletcher-Moore
Doug Staffelbach
Kishor Thakarar
Bill Quinn

Others present were:

Jason Lang, Director of Recreation
Jess Wilhelmy, Recreation Program Coordinator
Ann Duffield, Township Supervisor

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Karen called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

Karen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the June 4, 2026 were approved

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Debbie is improving from her knee surgery. She spoke about the events celebrating 250.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Review Summer Activities - Jess took charge of summer camp. They had a good staff. 90% approval from the parents.

2. PCI Spotlight Grant Application - EG Parks and Recreation will be applying for a \$5,000. PA Creative Industries grant to fund our arts and culture programs. Two years of financial statements were reviewed by the Commission members. Karen made a motion I have reviewed the 2024 and 2025 Department of Parks and Recreation Arts and Culture Financial Statements and approve as presented. Eric seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Jason mentioned that he would like to use this grant to do the Carnival of Ruin again.

3. Chester County Art Walk - There will be 126 artists at this event. Those who will volunteer should be there at 7:00 am. It is rain or shine but probably cancelled if it rains. There are too many to go to the high school.

4. Catalina Wine Mixer - It is 80% sold. There will be a cornhole tournament. Jason will need help moving tables and chairs. Come at 12 noon to 2 pm to set up.

5. East Goshen Park Trails - Jason sent out an email reminder that bikes are not allowed in East Goshen Park. He received several calls about this. When he had the ordinance checked, they found out that this is not mentioned in the ordinance. So, the trail has to be expanded to 10 feet wide, which will allow bikes and a lane will be striped for the bikes

OLD BUSINESS

1. Park Bathroom Update - Jason provided a copy of the plan for the bathroom. It will have 8 stalls and additional storage section. It will cost \$500,000-600,000 with \$250,000-300,000 in grants. The bathroom will be built off site by Romtec and shipped to EG. Then we will hire a contractor to put it together. Jason has talked to Aqua about public water.

RECREATION DIRECTOR REPORT

- 1, Yoga, Zumba and Senior Activities are ongoing.
2. Ping pong Parkinson – on going
3. Art Walk – Sept 19
4. Yard Sale – Sept 19
5. Catalina – Sept 26
6. NRPA Conference (Philly) – Sept 28 – Oct 1. Jason will be attending and speaking about Parkinson’s Ping Pong.
7. Parkinson’s Rock Climbing – This will start in mid October. It’s another helpful exercise.
8. Teen Film Showcase – Jason mentioned that Bill was an usher and very impressed. In 2028 it will be 10 years for this program.
9. For the next meeting Commission members should review the department budget and the budget for the next 5 years.

PARK MAINTENANCE REPORT

None

LIAISON REPORTS

Board of Supervisors – Ann reported that they sent out the Comp Plan to the ABCs for input. The plan should be ready by 2027. It will include a full economic plan and budget and will be checked on a regular basis to be sure things are being done.

ANY OTHER MATTER

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Doug moved to adjourn the meeting and Ann Marie seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, October 1, 2026 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth Kiefer, Recording Secretary