

**Middletown Township Parks and Recreation Board
Minutes from April 14, 2025**

Present: Kris Belser, Dori Bower, Dan Giacomelli, Missy Kitzmiller, Patrick Graham, Paul Kopera, Joanne Morelli, Nicole Tener.
Absent: Debbie Marchesani, Helene Ratner, Bill Fuller.
Guests: Teresa Weiser, Megan Mahoney

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm by Kris Belser. The minutes of the March 10 meeting were approved with a motion from Dan Giacomelli and seconded by Missy Kitzmiller and approved by all 4-0.

Public Comment:

- Teresa Weiser, a resident of Langhorne Borough but whose children play ball at Twin Oaks and Community Park asked about safety netting at both locations. The P&R Board asked the P&R staff to investigate the issue further.
- Megan Mahoney, a resident of Middletown, asked about the viability of a Farmers Market at Forsythia Crossing Park. Ms. Mahoney attended Groovin at Gates 2024 and was very impressed with the vitality in the park. P&R Staff and the P&R Board are very interested and will pursue this concept. An event in 2025 is a tall task but there is interest in a 2026 Farmers Market.

P&R Comprehensive Plan:

Following the March 27 Public Meeting, the P&R Vice President asked Staff to provide an update to the entire Board at the April meeting. Patrick complied. Patrick's presentation lasted 38 minutes. Rather than repeat the power point, the public meeting held on March 27 is available [here on YouTube](#).

Events Update

Nicole reported that the EAC led Community Pickup, with the help from P&R Dept, picked up 1,700 pounds of trash from the Township and waterways.

Paul reported that the 20 bare root tree planting went very well at Sturbridge and Juniper Hills. Nicole did a great video posted on the P&R Fb page – the EAC enjoyed it very much.

Patrick reviewed the final plans leading up to the Earth Day Event at Core Creek Park.

Old business/Capital Projects

Paul reminded the Board that the a) LED retrofit at Community Park will occur in July and August. (Movie night timeframe); b) the MT Board, on April 7, approved the new playground at Lions Park: vibrant colors, to be done by Spring of 2026.

Reminder: Next meeting will be held on Monday, May 12 at 6:00 pm in the Executive Conference Room (ECR) upstairs.

Dan Giacomelli made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Missy Kitzmiller seconded; the motion was approved by all, and meeting was adjourned at 7:21 pm.