

**Lower Salford Township  
Park Board Minutes  
April 22, 2025**

The April 22, 2025, Park Board was called to order at 7 p.m. by Chairman Kent Krauss. Also in attendance were Vice Chairman Pete Harubin, Amy Burch, Andy Lazzaro, Mark Kelley, and Secretary Holly Hosterman.

Chairman Krauss asked for approval of the March 25, 2025, Meeting Minutes. Andy Lazzaro made a motion to approve the minutes. Mark Kelley seconded. Minutes unanimously approved as written.

Kevin Sherlinski of the Harleysville Eagles (HEYA) was present to go over an amended plan for the fencing placement at Park Avenue Fields. Two options were presented. The relocation would be in the north end zone approximately 15 feet behind the goal post. The fence is set to be 180 feet long with its only purpose being advertising on one side. Ms. Hosterman told Mr. Sherlinski that a new permit application was required as well as a landscaper provided maintenance plan for the fields going forward. After additional discussion, Chairman Krauss asked for a motion. Mark Kelley made the motion to approve the relocation of the fence. Andy Lazzaro seconded. The Park Board voted 3-2 to allow the relocation of the fence.

Veronica Schoene was also recognized. Ms. Schoene had brought a blue bird box with her and asked the Park Board if they would consider placing it in Alderfer Park to replace the one that was removed by the recent home developer. Chairman Krauss asked Ms. Hosterman to set up an in-person meeting at the park with Ms. Schoene and Public Works Director Doug Jones. Ms. Hosterman said she would do so.

Chairman Krauss recognized Joan DiMaria of the Heckler Plains/Historical Society presented the monthly report of happenings within the Society. She noted that the Society investigated cedar shutters for the Heckler House. However, the cost of cedar was more than anticipated. She also noted that the annual Herb Fest was coming up the first weekend in May. Chairman Krauss asked Ms. DiMaria if the Society had discussed the leases for the historic properties. She said that this would be on the agenda for the May meeting. Regarding obtaining insurance coverage, Ms. DiMaria said that Ken Hales was working on obtaining a policy.

Chairman Krauss asked Ms. Hosterman to provide the Planning Commission Agenda. Ms. Hosterman read the agenda submissions. She noted that at this time, the agenda did not contain anything that would require Park Board input.

**The following reports were given for the various Township parks:**

**Alderfer Park** – Jan Johnson was not in attendance, but had provided information prior that the park looked fine.

**Bergey Park** – Andy Lazzaro reported that everything looked good.

**Briarwyck Park** – Amy Burch reported that the floating wetland was back and the pond looked good.

**Bucher Park** – Mark Kelly reported that the park looked good. He reported that the kick plates were already damaged again from the previous repair.

**Dannerth Park** – All good in the neighborhood!

**Groff's Mill Park** – Andy had reported that everything looked good. He did inquire if benches would be installed.

**Heckler Plains Farmstead** – Pete Harubin reported that all looked good.

**Kulp Road Pond Park** – Chairman Krauss reported that everything looked good.

**Park Avenue Field** – Amy reported that the growing blankets were off the field and they looked good.

**Reed Park** – Pete Harubin reported that everything looked good. He noted that the sign is in need of refurbishment. He also noted that there had been a recent mulch fire, but it was taken care of very quickly by the Harleysville Fire Department and no significant damage was noted.

**Reiff Park** – Ryan Beltz was not in attendance. It was noted that the Perkiomen Watershed would be having their Native Plant Sale in May at the park.

**Roth Park** – Mark Kelley reported everything was okay. Chairman Krauss added that improvements to the park continue, with additional play equipment and sunshades. He also noted that the pavilion needs repair. The group will meet at the pavilion for their May meeting to assess the scope of repair needed.

**Trail Report** – No recent report.

**Wawa Park** – Chairman Krauss reported that there are new steps leading down to the creek near the dam. Significant improvement from what was there before.

**Kiosk Report** – Ms. Hosterman told Ms. Burch that discount theme park tickets were ordered and provided her with several copies for the kiosks.

#### **New Business & Correspondence:**

Ms. Hosterman noted that she had met with Julie Paul who has asked to have a tree planted as a memorial to her late husband, Norris Paul. She would prefer the tree to be planted at Alderfer Park.

**Old Business:** There was no old business to discuss.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. This meeting will be held at Roth Park Pavilion.

There being no further business, Chairman Krauss entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. Andy Lazzaro motioned for approval and Pete Harubin seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Hosterman, Secretary