

**Lower Salford Township
Park Board Minutes
June 23, 2026**

The June 23, 2026, Park Board was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairman Kent Krauss. Also in attendance were members Jan Johnson, Mark Kelley, Stephanie Moyer, Secretary Holly Hosterman, and Director of Public Works, Doug Jones.

Chairman Krauss asked for a motion to approve the April 28, 2026, Meeting Minutes. Mark Kelley made a motion to approve the minutes. Stephanie Moyer seconded. Minutes unanimously approved as written.

Chairman Krauss recognized Philip Stankus from local Scout Troop 137. Philip presented his Eagle Scout project idea to the Members. He is hoping to install a bench near Alderfer Pond. The Board agreed to this idea. Philip will follow up with Director of Public Works, Doug Jones, for ideas for placement.

Also present was Mike Sciarra from the Montgomery-Bucks Rugby Football Club. Mr. Sciarra was in attendance to discuss potential field usage for the club in the future. The Board asked Mr. Sciarra quite a few questions, including maintenance of the fields as well as the intense use by the club. Chairman Krauss thanked Mr. Sciarra for his time and noted that at this time, the fields are committed to other sporting organizations but will keep the club's information on file.

Chairman Krauss next recognized Tom & Doreen Smith of 344 Buckingham Circle. They were in attendance to discuss the potential installation of a dog park. Mr. Smith noted the potential benefits of a dog park and noted there could be sponsorships to help with the cost to install. He also said the information he obtained discussed separate areas for the dogs based on size. He said he and his wife would be willing to join a subcommittee to investigate further. Chairman Krauss discussed the many potential uses that have been presented to the Board for the newest open space parcel on Stover Road/Main Street. He explained that the Board of Supervisors will be creating an Open Space Committee to investigate the best use of tax-payer's dollars for this 62-acre parcel.

Also present was Alison Cusatis of 298 Pamela Circle. She was in attendance to present a similar idea that Philip Stankus discussed earlier in the meeting, of putting in a bench and/or a picnic table area near Alderfer Road Pond. She had prepared a handout and gave a copy to the Park Board members. Chairman Krauss said that Alison should coordinate with Philip on placement and eventually meet with Director of Public Works, Doug Jones or Assistant Director, Andrew Irick.

Chairman Krauss asked Ms. Hosterman to provide the Planning Commission Agenda. Ms. Hosterman noted that the June 24, 2026, Agenda did not have anything to report on for the Park Board's input.

The following reports were given for the various Township parks:

Alderfer Park – Jan Johnson: New Storybook Walk “Old Rocks”

Bergey Park – Andy Lazzaro: No report

Briarwyck Park – Amy Burch: No report

Bucher Park – Mark Kelley: great shape

Dannerth Park – Mark Kelley: No report

Groff’s Mill Park – Andy Lazzaro: No report

Heckler Plains Farmstead – Stephanie Moyer: Looks good

Kulp Road Pond Park – Chairman Krauss – looks good.

Park Avenue Field – Amy Burch: No report

Reed Park – Stephanie Moyer: wood on the stairs to upper ball field are rotting. Need replaced.

Reiff Park – Ryan Beltz: No report

Roth Park – Mark Kelley: Looks great. New fountain looks great.

Trail Report – All – E-Bike concerns

Wawa Park – Ryan Beltz: No Report

Kiosk Report – Amy Burch: No report

New Business & Correspondence:

Doug Jones was on hand this evening to discuss improvements to the grounds at the Community Center. Andrew Irick, Assistant Public Works Director, had prepared and sent an email previous to this evening’s meeting outlining the upgrades that are proposed, including drainage improvements. Due to the ongoing Harleysville Market that is the first Sunday of the month from April – October, the grounds need additional maintenance. After discussing the list of improvements, the Park Board was agreeable to all the revisions.

Additional playground equipment was also discussed for Roth Park, Bucher Park and Heckler Plains Park. The Park Board had received an email outlining the upgrades and Doug Jones had brought along play structure catalogs for all to reference during the discussion. Quite a bit of input was provided by the Park Board, which gave Mr. Jones a better idea of what to order moving forward with this project.

Old Business:

Chairman Krauss noted that the Board of Supervisors needs to appoint another individual to the Sidewalks & Trails Committee as Andy Lazzaro has stepped aside. After some discussion on what is entailed with the committee, Stephanie Moyer volunteered. Chairman Krauss made a motion to recommend Stephanie Moyer to the Board of Supervisors for appointment to the Sidewalks & Trails Committee. Jan Johnson seconded the motion, and vote was unanimous in favor.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 28th at 7:00 p.m.

There being no further business, Chairman Krauss entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:11 p.m. Mark Kelley seconded the motion.

Respectfully submitted,
Holly Hosterman, Secretary