

ADAMS TOWNSHIP PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

The regular meeting of the Adams Township Parks and Recreation Board was held on May 6, 2025, at the Adams Township Municipal Building located at 690 Valencia Road, Mars, PA, 16046.

The meeting began at 7:00 P.M. The following members of the Parks and Recreation Board were present: Shelly Savoroski, Christine Sperdute, Marylin Watson and Heidi Brandon. Also present was the Parks & Recreation Director Brian Perry.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The committee approved the minutes of the March meeting, with a motion from Marylin and Shelly.

Public Comments: Ken Nichols 117 Forsyth Road Mars pa 16046 had a public comment. He addressed the need of a disc golf course on the park property. He explained the benefits it would bring to the park and the popularity of the sport in the area. The board agreed with him on the vision of adding a course to the park since it had originally been identified with the park master plan. Brian mentioned that he would speak with the Board of Supervisors on the direction they would like to go with the inquiry, and that he would reach back out to Ken when he had news for him.

UPDATES: Brian announced that we had received the local Butler County Grant to add signage and an information kiosk to the park. He will work with the Advisory board and Fast Signs on getting everything completed for the project. Brian also updated the group on the Municipal Building sidewalk and paving project. Both aspects of the project would be coordinated to begin in June. Brian also updated the group on the field usage agreement; it has been approved by the Supervisors and will be activated for partnering organizations who use the park facilities.

OLD BUSINESS: Brian updated the group on programming in the park. Eric Mosso would be instructing a pickleball for beginners' class in June at the park, and that registration was open. He also mentioned he was coordinating with Mars area Youth Basketball to hold "pick up" times for youth players throughout June and July. Brian Reported that Pavilion rentals are filling up, almost all weekends throughout the summer are booked.

NEW BUSINESS: Brian recapped the egg hunt, and proclaimed it to be a success, he mentioned he had a lot of help from a local boy scout group as well as Mars High school student volunteers. Brian also discussed the grant project, discussing the content that will go on at the park information kiosk. The group decided on one side being park info and rules, one side being about the history of Adams Township, and one side housing a park map for guests to see. Brian updated the group on the splash pad opening on May 23rd, he has all staff needed, he is coordinating with some local food trucks to visit on Wednesdays to enhance the experience at the facility. Brian also talked about not having concessions now at the splash pad. Mars backstop club is no longer doing concessions. Next on the agenda was the topic of the Christmas in July event. Brian asked the group to think of ways to enhance the event and for members to reach out with any ideas. Lastly on the list, Brian asked the group to be on the lookout for a beneficiary for our annual car cruise, if anyone finds a worthy candidate to please send him their information and we can discuss it at a later meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 P.M. with a motion from Heidi seconded by Shelly. The next meeting will be on June 3, 2025, at 7:00 P.M.

Submitted by: Brian Perry