

Newmanstown Recreation Board

Sunday, April 13, 2025

Monthly Minutes

Attendance

Board Members present at the meeting: Justin Arndt, Dan Long, Katie Sheetz, Josh Garrison, Cody Moyer and Township Supervisor, John DeSantis

Guests – Kiri Arndt, Christy Houser,

Meeting was officially called to order at 7:00 pm by President, Justin Arndt.

Previous minutes and correspondence

Motion to approve by Justin Arndt seconded by Katie Sheetz.

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve treasurer's report by Katie Sheetz seconded by Dan Long.

Public Comments – N/A.

Old Business

Concerns were expressed about Summer Playground coverage at the previous meeting. Kiri Arndt will return. Seeking additional support pending ELCO summer School program Kiri has support. *UPDATE Amora Cook and Autumn Gettle will be helping Kiri with Summer Playground. Summer Playground will begin June 23, 2025.*

Better communication to community about events. Perhaps placing signs throughout the community and utilizing the various community FB pages Katie got signs made for fall frolic, feedback was positive. Also the Kountry Kraft sign in the square was utilized more. *Discussed the possibility of getting signs made for "Family Nights"*

Basketball Courts- Stenciling- looked into better quality stencils, Josh will order from Amazon. We will possibly use the townships sprayer and trying to get paint through them at less cost. Waiting until warmer weather *UPDATE The stencils have arrived. Justin will be setting up a date to complete the stencil project ASAP.*

Damage to park- The Wi-Fi has been upgraded and is in the maintenance shed. John getting more info, we may be able to run extender from far end of shed and have open view from there. We have the account number. Tabled until 2025 meeting. Township is looking into better security for all areas, cameras and swipe or key fob access to buildings. Cameras at Hogeland Pavillion plus several at other locations in the park. Can't do cameras in Newberg using current set-up, will look into other options for that area in the future. *Rec Board will purchase camera system similar to the system that was destroyed.*

Noel K Hertzog playground- ADA Sidewalks will be put around the park. Planned. Date TBD John will get update at next township meeting. Start date and timeline TBD *No update*

Playground pavilion- Township handling, received bids, no additional info however John is looking into a grant through T-Mobile for repairs and updates to existing playgrounds, i.e. fence repair, bleachers etc. *No update*

Pickle Ball – John suggested putting Pickle Ball courts on site where Tennis once was. Can't be done due to size limitations. Space has been designated in Newburg playground area for a macadam area this could possibly be a pickle ball court. John is still looking into options- *No update*

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Wooden Bleachers- in bad shape. Need new supports and new surfaces. Looking into possibly replacing them with aluminum. Update- we will be looking into getting a quote to have frames built, Hackman Welding? Then get lumber to finish. *Since the bleachers are not safe, Dan suggested and we all agree, that they should be remove before spring ball begins. the bleachers. John will ask the township maintenance crew to handle that. No Update - Justin to follow up in an attempt to get them removed ASAP.*

Additional Damage to park- There was additional damage to the park. The items that are damaged- Counter shutter, surveillance 8 channel system, Kwik soccer net and the Forza soccer goal 8ft x 4ft The township sent letters to the parents of children involved giving a March 31 deadline to pay for the damages. Larger of the 2 was received. *Still have not received the other payment.*

Discussion was had on the erection of a pole building to store the items currently in the shed that is shared by Rec and Community Center. The shed is in disrepair and a space to store the soccer goals, benches and some of the other rec supplies would be ideal. *Need to talk to Community Center Committee. No update*

Summer Family Night – Tentative date June 27th. Will finalize date at next months meeting. *Date confirmed June 27th With a start time of 6 PM. Katie is going to look into prices to get permanent signs made for this event.*

New Business

Spring Detail is going to be on April 27-*pending weather*

- Build Picnic Tables, Look for plans and determine what will be needed. Will decide at March meeting how many we want. Will request donation of materials from Rigidply. There may be hardware in Katies garage we can use. Later date will be set to build the picnic tables. *Donation request submitted, awaiting reply.*
- Updates needed in Bathrooms. Paint, plumbing, towel dispensers.
- Refrigerators in snack stand old and in bad shape. *None located yet*

Rental policy- John is looking into a more efficient way to handle rentals. *No update*

Elco Senior Night- will be using the baseball field April 30, 2025.

Donation- was received from Kountry Kraft

Next meeting

May 11, 2025

Motion to adjourn meeting by Justin Arndt, seconded by Dan Long at 8:11 pm

Minutes submitted by Cody Moyer.