

Newmanstown Recreation Board

Sunday, October 12, 2025

Monthly Minutes

Attendance

Board Members present at the meeting: Katie Sheetz, Josh Garrison and Cody Moyer. Justin Arndt and Dan Long called in.

Guests – Christy Houser

Meeting was officially called to order at 7:05 pm by Vice President, Katie Sheetz.

Previous minutes and correspondence

Motion to approve minutes by Justin Arndt seconded by Cody Moyer.

Treasurer's Report

No report

Public Comments – No comments

Old Business

Noel K Hertzog playground- ADA Sidewalks will be put around the park. Start date and timeline TBD. The Bid is expected to be awarded at next township meeting. *Bid was determined to be unacceptable. Will re-bid the job later in the year*

John is looking into a grant through T-Mobile for repairs and updates to existing playgrounds, i.e. fence repair, bleachers etc. The intended use of this grant is for existing projects. Will pursue after walking path is constructed for add-ons for the walking path area.

Pickle Ball – John suggested putting Pickle Ball courts on site where Tennis once was. Cannot 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- Will be placed in Newburg

GFCI outlet where fridges are plugged into is old, keeps tripping. We will replace. Dan is working on replacing this. *Replaced and working well*

A WIFI enabled dead bolt was installed on the bathroom outside entry door. It has Key, keypad and remote access. Need to install new automatic door closer. WIFI is not reliable, keeps cutting out. *WIFI will not connect reliably, key pad will be used to lock door. Final cameras in place. All buildings are being monitored.*

Walking path – Property lines were surveyed, will keep path as far as possible from lines, will be a bit shorter, will stay on top of the retention area. Hoping to have completed by Fall. *Still awaiting start date, fall may be unrealistic due to black top unable to pour in colder weather. Wet weather may be a factor to the delay. Justin suggested we have a ribbon cutting when the walking path is complete.*

Healthy Kids Running- Will be held at the Noel K. Hertzog Memorial Fields. The scheduled dates are: Sept. 7, 14, 21, 28 and Oct. 5. A make-up date of Oct. 12 This will be the final season for the current organizer, Brittany Miller *Complete. Holly Hassler will run the series next season.*

Soccer – 110 youth are signed up. Coaches meeting on Aug. 5th, practice begins the week of Aug. 11th, the first game is Sept. 5th and will run to Oct 24th *Soccer started on Sept. 5th and is going well.*

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Fall Frolic: Donation request in process. Church of Christian Outreach requested use of kitchen. Rec board is planning to use the kitchen for their own purposes and will offer the pavilion and oven to the church. Donations requests have been sent, Most pro sports organizations require 501(c) status. Church chose to not participate.

Dan secured the barrel train and hay ride, Josh is following up on pumpkins and hay bales. More help will be needed day of. There will be no helicopter. John will try to get a fire truck. Justin has the prizes ordered, expected delivery – Tuesday. Josh will pick up the rest of the food donations. Catie Sweeny will provide a photo booth. Initial set-up Friday morning at 7am. Finishing touches Saturday at 10 or 11am. Katie will organize a schedule for volunteers.

Mulch will be placed on Newburg Playground by the township. They will also repair the plastic barrier wall around the playground to better contain it.

Cody will be stepping down from the board. Katie Sheetz nominated Christy Houser to be the Secretary in 2026. By laws require elections at the Dec. Meeting on the first Monday of December, need to update by-laws to state that elections will be held at the last meeting of the calendar year.

Tree Lighting will be Saturday Dec. 6th. More details to come

Next meeting

Nov. 9 2025

Motion to adjourn meeting by Katie Sheetz, seconded by Dan Long at 7:45 pm

Minutes submitted by Katie Sheetz.