

**Lower Salford Township  
Park Board Minutes  
October 28, 2025**

The October 28, 2025, Park Board Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Chairperson Kent Krauss. Also in attendance were Vice Chairperson Pete Harubin, Jan Johnson, Ryan Beltz, Amy Burch, Mark Kelley, and Secretary Holly Hosterman.

Chairperson Krauss noted asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 23, 2025, meeting. Pete Harubin made the motion and Mark Kelley seconded. Minutes approved unanimously, 6-0.

Chairperson Krauss recognized Alex Tynebor, local Troop 137 Scout. Alex was in attendance to discuss his proposal for his Eagle Scout project. He would like to re-appoint the signs along the Nature Trail at Heckler Plains Park. He will be keeping the existing posts, but the signs have not weather well and he would like to replace them and add additional information to the signs about native species and plants that might be seen along the trail. The Park Board members were in agreement with his project idea and asked Alex to keep the Park Board informed as his project begins. He was also informed that he will be working with the Public Works Department along the way.

Chairperson Krauss recognized Joan DiMaria of the Heckler Plains/Historical Society presented the monthly report of happenings within the Society. Ms. DiMaria said the next meeting of the Society would be in this room on November 9<sup>th</sup> and speaker John Ruth, local historian and author would be in attendance to kick off the 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration of the United States. She also noted that Carol Night would be on December 12<sup>th</sup> at the Heckler Plains Farmstead. There will also be a Historical Society Consortium of area groups that will be part of the Upper Perk 250 celebration.

Chairperson Krauss asked Ms. Hosterman to provide the Planning Commission Agenda. Ms. Hosterman read the agenda submissions and noted that the meeting was held the previous Wednesday on October 22, 2025. She also 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 reported that she saw a new bird house on her walk through the park. Other than this observation, the park looked great.

**Bergey Mill Park** – Andy Lazzaro was not in attendance.

**Briarwyck Park** – Amy Burch reported that the pond water looks great and that the floating wetland has helped to absorb many of the nutrients that otherwise would grow on the surface and cause algae.

**Bucher Park** – Mark Kelley reported everything looked good. Thanked the Public Works team for replacing the basketball nets.

**Dannerth Park** – Kiosk items very faded.

**Groff's Mill Park** – No report.

**Heckler Plains Farmstead** – Pete Harubin reported the park was in great shape.

**Kulp Road Pond Park** – All good

**Park Avenue Field** – Amy Burch reported that the portable lighting needs to be directed differently as the lights are shining into the homes adjacent to the fields. She also asked the time frame for removal of the advertising signs on the new fence along the fields.

**Reed Park** – Pete Harubin reported that the park was in good condition. He also noted that there was a new water fountain being installed.

**Reiff Park** – Ryan Beltz reported that Phase II of the streambank restoration had begun. He noted that with the help of the Township Public Works crew, that “ripple pools” had been installed to slow the velocity of stormwater. This also helps to conserve the meadowlands in the area. Ryan has also noted that this phase will end in November for the winter months. He also said that Pennsylvania Youth Corp would be volunteering 2 weeks of time in the spring to this project.

**Roth Park** – Mark Kelley reported the park is in great shape.

**Trail Report** – Jan Johnson reported E-bikes have been a concern. Chairperson Krauss said that this is on the Police Department’s concerns to review, as it has been happening all over and not just in our Township.

**Wawa Park** – No report.

**Kiosk Report** – Ms. Hosterman said she would get E-bike flyers for Amy to post in all the kiosks. Also, we would like to put in the new Open Space Map.

**New Business & Correspondence:**

Chairperson Krauss noted that the All Sports meeting in early October went very well. It was well-attended and everyone was willing to work together and help each other out with field openings, etc. Ms. Hosterman noted that the most recent Farmland Preservation application from the Keen Farm, was currently stalled at the County level due to staffing levels. The Keen Farm needs an updated land preservation plan, and the staff that provide these plans have a backlog. She said she is hoping that in the Springtime, this updated plan will happen.

**Old Business:** The roof at Jacob Reiff is in need of replacement, and an estimate has been received. Ryan Beltz said he had a contact to get a second estimate. The Township is hoping the roof will be replaced in the spring of 2026.

There being no further business, Chairperson Krauss entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 p.m. Mark Kelley motioned for approval and Pete Harubin seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Hosterman, Secretary