

PARK & REC MINUTES

Dickinson Township Park & Recreation

Monday, April 27, 2026, Dickinson Township Meeting Room
5:00 p.m.

Attendance

Park & Rec Members:

Vice Chairman Mike Shenk, Diane Gill, Henry Koch, Sally McClintock

Staff:

Township Manager Jill Lovett, Secretary/Treasurer Grace Hogue, Public Works Director Glenn Kelso

Absent:

Chairperson Julie Quigley

Visitors:

John Aigeldinger – 205 E Yellow Breeches Road

Call to Order

The April 27, 2026, Dickinson Township Park & Recreation meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Shenk followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Opening Announcements

Dickinson Township is asking residents to sign up for its mass text alert system. This system is used to alert residents of things such as emergency situations, road closures, trash delays, etc. To sign up please go to the Township website and click on the image where it says Mass Text Alert Signup. Fill out the form online and hit submit.

Reminder that the Dickinson Township Park & Recreation Committee will be holding its annual spring event on May 9, 2026.

A reminder that more information about our community can be found on our website at www.dickinsontownship.org

Agenda Approval

A motion to approve the agenda for April 27, 2026 was made by Henry Koch and seconded by Sally McClintock. It was passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the March 23, 2026 regular meeting minutes was made by Sally McClintock and seconded by Henry Koch. It was passed unanimously.

Public Comment

John Aigeldinger - 205 E Yellow Breeches Road introduced himself to the Committee.

Financial Report – Report was attached.

Staff Reports

Manager Jill Lovett reported that the Township is preparing a Department of Conservation & Natural Resources grant application for Phase 2A of Lindenwood Park, consisting of an ADA-compliant playground, sensory accessories, a pavilion, and accessible routes. The request of the grant is \$250,000 and requires a matching \$250,000, making the total project value \$500,000. It was clarified that ADA-compliant restroom facilities are being addressed under Phase 1. Manager Lovett indicated the application would be submitted the following day, pending final review.

Additionally, a grant application for the Department of Community & Economic Development Greenways Trails & Recreation Program is also being prepared for Stuart Park. This request is for paving and trail additions, pavilion maintenance, and new picnic tables. The submission date for this grant is May with a submission deadline at the end of the following month.

Manager Lovett also provided an update on the acquisition of the site at 161 Old State Road. The Township was awarded the Cumberland County Land Partnership Grant for the site where the former South Dickinson Elementary School was located. Manager Lovett confirmed the purchase, and sale process will proceed once the funding is secured under contract.

New Business

Henry Koch reported Chairperson Quigley had a request for more cameras or motion lights installed at Stuart Park. There has been ongoing suspicious activity at the park after hours. Manager Lovett confirmed that funding for additional security cameras and system integration has already been allocated in the current year's budget. She also noted that these improvements may qualify for funding and will research potential opportunities. Manager Lovett agreed to present a formal proposal to the Board for consideration and approval.

After discussion, the Committee confirmed that the May meeting will be canceled due to the holiday. The next Committee meeting will be held in June.

Old Business

a. Spring Event – May 9, 2026

Henry Koch mentioned that Chairperson Quigley has confirmed the Big Hill Cider cannot come to the event on May 9, 2026 but will provide a gift basket for the tournament prizes.

Vice Chairman Shenk mentioned the food truck and the DJ are confirmed. Manager Lovett requested an invoice for the DJ to receive payment the day of the event. Vice Chairman Shenk committed to picking up the cornhole boards from Golden Rentals. Manager Lovett asked what the DJ's availability is for the event if it is rescheduled due to rain. Vice Chairman Shenk answered he wouldn't be available for the following weekend, so the Committee would have to find someone else.

Manager Lovett reminded everyone about the Barnitz Mill marker presentation at 10:00 a.m. involving elected officials. Vice Chairman Shenk will check if the cornhole board will be available for the following weekend, if a rain date is needed.

Grace Hogue reported spaces are all sold. Vice Chairman Shenk stated Bunches O Munches food truck is confirmed. Glenn Kelso mentioned Citizens Fire Company can only provide a small truck, due to another commitment. He asked if the Committee preferred Penn Township Fire Company to bring a larger fire apparatus. Vice Chairman Shenk stated to ask Penn Township Fire Company to come with a fire truck for display and interaction with the children. The cornhole tournament will start at 12:00 p.m. Sally McClintock suggested sharing the event on the Carlisle Community yard sale page on Facebook.

b. Fall Event – September 19, 2026 – Children’s Fishing Derby

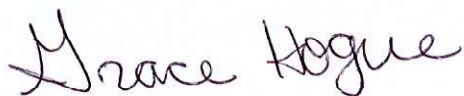
Sally McClintock confirmed the Children’s Fishing Derby is scheduled for September 19, 2026, with Yellow Breeches Creek at Stuart Park. She, along with John Aigeldinger of Yellow Breeches Anglers & Conservation Association (YBACA) explained how the derby is set up for the event with fencing and the Committee needs to determine the age brackets. Mr. Aigeldinger spoke about the netting used and stocking the fish occurs in the early morning. YBACA will donate approximately 400 fish. There was discussion on trophies versus participation ribbons, gift bags or prizes. Mr. Aigeldinger spoke about his prior experiences.

Vice Chairman Shenk suggested to have children age 3-12 and have 3 sections of fish based on age grouping; 3-5; 6-8; and 9-12 for participants. Sally McClintock suggested Yellow Breeches shirts as an option for awards, however there could be issues with having the correct size. He suggested raffle concept on prizes but would require reaching out to businesses for donations for prizes. Vice Chairman Shenk suggested seeing pricing on shirts for raffles. He suggested moving some of this discussion to emails to discuss awards versus prizes. Event time of 9 a.m. to Noon was established. Vice Chairman Shenk suggested potential food truck availability for breakfast and lunch and potentially Kings Gap Store ice cream and Kings Gap Educational Center. Sally McClintock inquired about the need for a fishing license whether parents are required to have one during the event. She suggested creating a letter to assist with request for donations for the event. She recommended a business donating drinks/water as a sponsor. Vice Chairman Shenk wondered if having an ambulance should be present.

Adjournment

Henry Koch motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m. The motion was seconded by Sally McClintock and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Grace Hogue
Secretary/Treasurer