



Minutes: Parks & Recreation Committee – July 7, 2025

The regular meeting of the Middle Smithfield Township Parks and Recreation Committee was held on July 7, 2025 and began at 6:23pm at the Middle Smithfield Township Building with Debbie Kulick presiding.

In attendance were: Committee Members: Debbie Kulick On Zoom: Laura Massaro, Carolyn Metaxas MST Liaison: Chris Rain Members of the Public: Deb Conklin.

Carolyn Metaxas made a motion to accept the agenda. Laura Massaro seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Carolyn Metaxas made a motion to accept the minutes from the April 7 meeting. Laura Massaro seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Debbie Kulick abstained as she was not present at the April 7 meeting.

Debbie Kulick made a motion to accept the minutes from the June 2 meeting. Laura Massaro seconded. Motion passed 2-0. Carolyn Metaxas abstained as she was not present at the June 2 meeting.

Correspondence: None.

Public Comment: Deb Conklin stated that she is attending the Mt Bethel food truck festival and will collect business cards for Middle Smithfield to get more food truck contacts for future events. Laura Massaro also stated that there are several new food trucks attending the flea market on weekends that could be contacted.

Events: Chris Rain reported that there are 36 organizations participating so far at Community Day on August 2. He asked the committee who will attend on August 2. Debbie Kulick stated she will be there. Carolyn Metaxas and Laura Massaro stated they will not. Mr. Rain will follow up with Jaime Smith and Marilyn Brown.

Community Gardens: Chris Rain reported that there are a small number of plots available.

Dog Park: No report.

Echo Lake: No report.

Judy Putek: No report.

Resica: No report.

Wooddale: Chris Rain reported that the Township is waiting for the plans from the Township engineer for the new project.

Litter and Beautification: No report.

Bike Park: No update. Chris Rain stated that he is waiting to hear from Smithfield Township about the next meeting of the Bike Park committee.

Mt Nebo: No update

Parks Projects for 2025: The Committee was provided with a copy of the Board of Supervisors response to the Committee's letter approved at the June meeting. Laura Massaro and Carolyn Metaxas stated they still plan to

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speak to contacts at Pocono Township to gather more information about their splash pad and develop a better proposal to present to the Board of Supervisors at a future date.

Announcements: Chris Rain state that the Township's Economic Development Committee is currently running a Christmas in July program from July 1 to 31. He provided the committee members with cards detailing the discounts at Township businesses.

The next Parks and Recreation meeting will be held on Monday August 4, 2025 at 6:15pm at the Middle Smithfield Township Building. Laura Massaro made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45pm. Carolyn Metaxas seconded the motion. Motion approved 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted By,

Chris Rain
Middle Smithfield Township