

Park and Recreation Board
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 5, 2026 – 7:00 p.m.

James Lannon, Gary Harris, Bob Huether, Karissa Elser, Doreen McVaugh, Molly Crotty, Tucker Brennan, and Caitlin Hernandez, Director of Parks and Recreation, were present. Council member Dennis Livrone was also present.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

The **minutes** from the April 7, 2026, meeting were approved as corrected.

Park Maintenance: Mr. Livrone had questions about the current maintenance plans for the parks, specifically regarding the landscape contract and the landscapers' efficiency. Caitlin sees all the DWorks complaint forms that come in from the website and notes that she doesn't receive many complaints about grounds maintenance issues (grass cutting, et cetera) compared to those about graffiti and other forms of vandalism.

Pavilion Plans: Brian Guerriero of S. Church Street spoke to the Board about Burpee Park. Mr. Guerriero replaced the geraniums around the pavilion. He would also like to replace the tulips by the pavilion with a native plant. James and Caitlin will work together with the neighbors and Public Works to assist with the replanting around the pavilion. Mr. Guerriero suggested native ground cover options better suited to the area surrounding the pavilion.

Caitlin shared the updated pavilion plans provided by local architect Richard Brown.

Recreation Director Report: Caitlin provided updates to the Board, including current rentals for the Burpee Pavilion, maintenance completed at Veterans Memorial, and at Hillside Parks. Wood carpeting is scheduled to be delivered in early May, and the Pump Track is scheduled to be opened on June 1. Concerts at the Commons are scheduled for every Thursday in May, and the lineup of performers has been announced. Pedal Palooza 2.0 will take place on June 1 to celebrate the grand reopening of the Pump Track.

Old/New Business: Gary asked about the status of Ping Pong Parkinson. Caitlin shared it with the ERC earlier this evening, and they agreed to move it on to Borough Council for approval. James asked whether there is a way to rent Broad Commons for a private function. For now, we are not interested in renting the park out to outside organizations. At this point, we will use it only for Borough and Borough-sponsored programming.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 pm.

Respectfully Submitted by:
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Minutes Secretary