



Tuesday, April 21, 2026

At the regular monthly meeting of the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association Board of Managers held on Tuesday evening, April 21, 2026, Pat Wilmsen presided.

A quorum was present at the Zoom meeting including the following: Ann Bering, Miles Bojanic, Stephanie Bost, Kevin Burd, Joe Lamont, Marcie Lloyd, Ted Martin, Esther Mefferd, Jeff Minnich, Kevin Wells, and Pat Wilmsen. Miles Bojanic joined at 6:33.

24 Households and one guest attended via Zoom.

### 1) **Call to Order, Pat Wilmsen**

Pat Wilmsen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Marcie Lloyd conducted the roll call.

### 2) **Approval of Minutes**

Since the Minutes of the March Board meeting were distributed to Board members prior to the time of this regular monthly meeting, the reading of the Minutes was dispensed with and the March 17, 2026, minutes were approved on a motion by Ted Martin. The motion was seconded by Joe Lamont and passed with Bering, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor.

### 3) **Secretary's Report**

No report.

### 4) **President's Report**

The President's report was made available with the monthly meeting packet and was read at the meeting. The major talking points were:

- Tabernacle repairs to the back walls are underway. The painting will start shortly. The stage replacement is also underway.
- The Bartlett tree survey should start in May.
- The walkaround with the Falcon Group who are doing our Reserve Study is complete. The results of the survey should arrive within a month.
- Several members have expressed their concern about rising costs and projects which might be unnecessary which keep their assessments higher than they would have to be. Pat addressed some of those concerns and mentioned that the Board was pursuing hiring a grant writer/fundraiser to raise additional funds to relieve some of the burden on the community.
- Several members have expressed their concern about the status of the Mt. Gretna Tabernacle Association and the Bible Festival. Pat stated that no member of the Board wants to eliminate either organization which are an integral part of our history, our heritage, and non-profit fundraising abilities.
- A quorum was not reached for the 1<sup>st</sup> Special Meeting; a 2<sup>nd</sup> attempt has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 26. Pat pointed out that there would be two votes, as required by the Bylaws Article XIV. The first vote would be for all the membership to address the quorum change, the second vote would be for the Board to address the other changes. There was also a further correction made to Article VIII Section 2 to make it clear that the Mt. Gretna Tabernacle Association is a fundraising arm for the Tabernacle Association and the Tabernacle.
- The Executive Committee approved to motions to start work on the Tabernacle so that the work could start as soon as possible. Copies of those motions are included under New Business.

### 5) **Treasurer's Report**

a) The March balance sheet, income/expense report, budget year-end report, and fund/project report were



- shared with the Board prior to the meeting and were part of the published meeting packet.
- b) Are monitoring the bank balances to consider moving more to a higher interest CD.
  - c) Income from assessments is still coming in. 160 assessments out of the 240 have been paid.
  - d) No expenses are out of the ordinary or unexpected. There is an expense for the replacement of the fence at Heritage Park, but there will be a large portion of this project financially supported by West Cornwall Township.

## Committee Reports

a) **Finance Committee – Kevin Burd**

No meeting, noreport.

b) **Property Ownership Committee – Kevin Burd**

1. 303 2<sup>nd</sup> Street was sold.
2. Currently there are 40 short-term rental permits issued, or 56% of the allowable permits.

c) **Executive Committee**

The Executive Committee is introducing a standard template for all committees to use for their committee reports.

d) **Tree Health & Maintenance**

There will be a Tree Removal Permit presented under New Business. The MGUMC requested that a tree on MGCA property be taken down because it is dripping sap on their solar panels. Bartlett Tree reviewed the tree and stated the sap problem was due to improper pruning which has left open wounds on the tree. The tree might be able to survive with regular treatments, but they recommend removing and replacing the tree at this time.

e) **Buildings & Grounds –Chair, Miles Bojanic**

1. The B&G April meeting report was made available to the Board and to the Membership prior to the evening's meeting. Miles encouraged Members to read the meeting notes as many upcoming projects affecting the community were discussed.
2. There have been some problems with the library building's ramp. The ramp has been removed and a temporary access has been put in place.

f) **Communications Committee – Kevin Wells & Marcie Lloyd**

No report.

g) **Grants & Funding – Ted Martin**

The new fans are being installed in the Tabernacle due to the generosity of the Greater Harrisburg Community Foundation, Larry McKenna, and several anonymous donors.

h) **Policy & Procedure – Ted Martin**

Meeting later this month to discuss some pending issues.

i) **Tabernacle Association – Ted Martin, Esther Mefferd**

1. Ted Martin reiterated that there has never been discussion for the MGCA to disassociate itself either from the Mt. Gretna Tabernacle Association or the Bible Festival. All discussions about both the MGTA and the Bible Festival have been to determine how both organizations can continue to function within the MGCA to continue to function as they have historically.
2. The MGTA did discuss the Tabernacle projects already referred to, is in agreement with the projects, and will be supporting the projects.

j) **Nominations Committee – Esther Mefferd**

No report.

k) **Community Activities & Recreation Committees – Nate Godfrey**

The committee has lots of activities planned for the spring, summer, and fall. All events and their details are posted on the MGCA website calendar as well as the greater Mount Gretna calendar.



l) **Library Committee –Sally Marisic**

No report.

m) **Archive Committee – Don Miller**

No report.

**6) Unfinished Business**

None

**7) New Business**

a) The following motion was passed by the Executive Committee on April 6, 2026.

In consideration that the Tabernacle currently faces several significant repair and restoration challenges, I, Miles Bojanic, make one motion to move forward the projects enumerated below. Each project listed will be supported by funding from the Mt. Gretna Tabernacle Association and managed by the Mt. Gretna Campmeeting Association. Ongoing fundraising efforts from the Tabernacle Association and organizations supporting Tabernacle usage and performances will be used to support this and other related projects:

1. First to approve the Triumph Transformation proposal for \$52,000 to remodel and enlarge performance space on the Tabernacle stage.
2. Secondly, to approve the Tabernacle Restoration proposal from Ravenwood Restoration for \$4,000 to repair Tabernacle exterior water damage to the building's western façade which faces the intersection of Third Street and Otterbein Avenue.
3. Finally, to approve True Artisan Painters to repaint the outside of the Tabernacle at a cost to be no more than \$12,000.

In closing, all efforts are being undertaken to engage the community and other Tabernacle-associated organizations in fundraising for upkeep and maintenance of the building. Grants are also actively pursued regularly. Individual community donations are always encouraged and can be made through the Tabernacle Association. **Resolution 2026.04.06-01**

b) Kevin Burd made a motion to approve the Tree Removal Permit submitted by the Mt. Gretna United Methodist Church, requesting permission for the MGUMC to pay to take down a failing tree from MGCA property. This permission is conditional upon the following:

- The MGUMC must grind out the stump so that a tree can be planted in the same location,
- The MGUMC must replant either a Service Berry or Hornbeam tree,
- The MGUMC is responsible to assure the tree thrives, and
- If the tree fails to thrive, the MGUMC must plant another tree.

The motion was seconded by Minnich and passed with Bering, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor. **Resolution 2026.04.21-01**

c) Joe Lamont made a motion to release \$16,700 from the MGCA Designated Garage Fund to repair the garage doors of the west side garages (W1-W5). The work is to be completed by the end of 2026. The motion was seconded by Minnich and passed with Bering, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor. **Resolution 2026.04.21-02**

d) Joe Lamont made a motion to release \$7,000 from the MGCA Designated Garage Fund to repair the garage wall surface of the west side garages (W1-W5). The work is to be completed by the end of 2026. The motion was seconded by Minnich and passed with Bering, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor. **Resolution 2026.04.21-03**



- e) The Seiders Fund was donated to the community in 2007. A good portion of this undesignated fund has been used in the community.  
Jeff Minnich made a motion to release the balance of the Seiders Fund to be used towards the replacement of the Tabernacle stage. The motion was seconded by Martin and passed with Bering, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor. **Resolution 2026.04.21-04**
- f) Ted Martin made a motion to approve creating a 1099-contractor position for a Grant Writer / Fundraiser for up to 20 hours per week to be funded by the DEP grant. The motion was seconded by Lamont and passed with Bering, Bojanic, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor. **Resolution 2026.04.21-05**

### 8) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:33 p.m. on a motion by Kevin Burd, seconded by Jeff Minnich and passed unanimously.

The next regular meeting will be held Tuesday, May 26, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

This meeting was recorded and will be available on the MGCA website for one month.

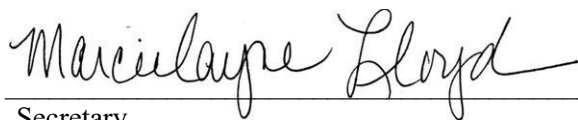
## ADDENDUM

On April 22 and 23, Pat Wilmsen made a motion via email to amend Resolution 2026.04.06-01 as follows:

To approve the Tree Removal Permit submitted by the Mt. Gretna United Methodist Church, requesting permission for a failing tree to be taken down from MGCA property, with the expense of removal to be equally shared by the MGCA and the MGUMC with the following conditions:

- The MGUMC must replant either a Service Berry or Hornbeam tree in the same location if the stump can be removed,
- The MGUMC is responsible to assure the tree thrives, and
- If the tree fails to thrive, the MGUMC must plant another tree.

The motion was seconded by Martin and passed with Bering, Bojanic, Bost, Burd, Lamont, Lloyd, Martin, Mefferd, Minnich, and Wells voting in favor. **Resolution 2026.04.21-01**

  
Secretary

  
Chairman



In attendance:

Members in Person:

The April Meeting was Zoom only

Members on Zoom:

Ed & Linda Beck, 114 Otterbein Ave.  
Geraldine Benseman, 611 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Joseph Bering, Jr., 305 8<sup>th</sup> St.  
Don Bowman, MGUMC Church  
Pat Brosious, 203 Boehm Ave.  
Linda Campbell, 402 Glossbrenner Ave.  
Paul & Tammy Friendshuh, 209 Mills Ave.  
Jeffrey Hazel, 602 Kephart Ave.  
Margaret Hopkins, 505 Glossbrenner Ave.  
Janelle Kuligowski, 309 8<sup>th</sup> St.  
Peggy Lichty, 205 Castle Ave.

Bill Linton, 211 7<sup>th</sup> St.  
Dave Lloyd, 403 1<sup>st</sup> St.  
Tim Markovitz, 501 Otterbein Ave.  
Don Miller, 610 4<sup>th</sup> St.  
Stephanie Seldomridge, 105 2<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Christopher Sides, Guest of the MGUMC  
Ben Slotznick, 507 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Janine Tiffany, 107 2<sup>nd</sup> St.  
Jeff Thompson, 207 Glossbrenner Ave.  
Paul Trella, 209 Weaver Ave.  
Robin Welte, 505 3<sup>rd</sup> St.  
Garey Wilmsen, 301 Bell Ave.  
Jan Wolff, 211 8<sup>th</sup> St.  
Scott Zellers, 1<sup>st</sup> Garage

Attachments:

None