

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2025

Those present during the meeting were:

PRAB MEMBERS: Matt Tuma, Mark Cascia, Marlene Stanton, Barbara Dawson, Paul Lombardo, and Commissioner James Moran.

PARKS & RECREATION STAFF: Steve Chandlee, James Miller, Nick Petroski and Breanne Waters.

GUESTS: Bob Ziling, Leslie Sandoz, Todd Mohn and Commissioner Patrick McLaughlin

Matt Tuma motions to approve November 2024 Minutes, Mark Cascia seconds, all in favor.

Division Updates

- [Updates from each division](#)

Business at Hand

- New Athletic Field Coordinator – Nicholas Petroski
 - We have our Spring/Summer League meeting is on this Wednesday.
 - Currently Nick will be handling all Turf Rentals, then gradually move him into the other rentals.
- Updates on:
 - Bridge inspection along trails- looking into putting a bid out to repair all bridges.
 - CCCT Repair- Kokosing cannot make the fix because the ground is frozen. Looking at having Kokosing complete a temporary fix hopefully next month.
 - Queenstown trail connection- Queenstown Golf Course is for having the trail run through course. Currently we are both looking for the agreement in writing that would allow us to build.
 - Round Top Pickleball lights – have been delivered, waiting on ground to thaw for the install.
- BPAC meetings will now be directly before PRAB quarterly. BPAC members can attend PRAB if they would like.
- PRAB currently has a vacancy for the Centreville area.
- Pavilion rentals will no longer require a security deposit. It has become a paper exercise since we never have had to keep the security deposit.
 - Also getting ready to add the rentals online for booking.
- South Island Trail
 - Phase III – is currently on hold, waiting on a wetland permit. The original thought was we had to put in two bridges, had a meeting and only had to put in one bridge. Had another meeting and we are back to having two bridges due to a wetland issue.
 - Phase IV – hoping Kimley-Horn will accept the job of engineering phase IV.
- Railroad Society – Reached out to us about possibly moving the building at White Marsh Park to Sudlersville train area. The organization wanted to know if the Commissioners would donate the building back to the Railroad Society.
- Capital Projects submitted.
- Mowbray Park Memorial – still looking at memorial options. August 2025 will be the 50th anniversary.
- Skate Park Restroom bid is due Feb 12. Install and construction to beginning late Spring/early Summer.
- Recreation Center Feasibility Study – finalized in December, copies will be given shortly. We put fourth construction funds in the FY26 budget. Currently have engineering funds set aside. The Kudner location is preferred by Parks.
- Recreation will be offering a new Rugby league at Batts Neck.
- Next Meeting: February 24, 2025.

Paul Lombardo motions to adjourn, Phil Starkey seconds, all in favor.

Follow Up Items for Parks

- Send priority order to PRAB members