

Macungie Memorial Park
Board Meeting Minutes
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Call to Order: Donald Young called the meeting to order. Advised the meeting is being recorded.

Board Attendance: Mike Delong, Alan Printz, Fred Wieder, MaryKate Messler, and Donald Young in attendance. Not in attendance: Kevin Wieder, Mike Carwell, Liz Young, and Barry Bloch.

Visitors: Ron Beitler was in attendance to discuss a Fall Festival at the Park before and during the parade on October 11th. Ron would provide staff and volunteers to run the festival and the proceeds from parking would go directly to funding for the Macungie Halloween Parade next year. Discussion regarding the Park holding the funds for the parade and how funding for the parade works. Amy Hillegass brought up a potential need for reimbursement for water/sewage, electric, facility use, to be discussed in the future. The Board approves of the use of the Park for the Fall Festival, benefiting the parade. Ron and Amy will continue to communicate regarding logistics for the festival.

Review of Minutes: Alan Printz made a motion to approve minutes. Mike Delong second. Motion approved.

Status of Construction Projects: Amy reported the sewer line is working well inside and outside at this time. Amy will handle the outside sewer line issue after the dog shows. The sewer issue might need to wait until the spring. Electrical work has been dealt with and handled and no further action is needed. Barry Bloch spoke to JP Huddleston regarding the front pillars and the issue is ongoing. Amy would like to speak to UMYA regarding use of the sheds and UMYA potentially helping repair them for use.

Website Committee Report: Website building is still ongoing. Liz Young sent an email with updates. Photos of the park and rentals have been sent to Ashley Guava for incorporation into the website. Liz is working on getting drone photos of the park as well. The drone flier must have a certification and a registered drone in order to be compliant and Liz is currently working to accomplish this. The Website is not fully complete but is making progress. MaryKate Messler will contact Ashley Guava regarding her availability to come to the next Board meeting.

Fescht Report: Gate income was about \$89,000 for Fescht and there are still some outstanding bills that need to be paid. There will be a committee meeting for Fescht in the near future.

Treasurer Report: Lisa Radcliff provided Profit and Loss reports to the Board for review, along with a vendor report. Lisa discussed the comparisons between 2024 and 2025 might look a bit messy but will be provided in the future. Lisa also asked whether the board would like to see the individuals' names who donate funds to the park in the financial reports. Amy will continue to provide the names of individuals who donate in her reports and therefore it is not necessary to provide them in the financial reports. Discussion regarding the Pool financial report and the 4th of July fund for the Pool. Donald Young asked that the 4th of July fund be separate so there is a clear understanding of how the event is doing.

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Pool Report: Alice Welsh was present to provide a Pool report. The weather in the beginning of the season was a factor in pool income this year. Alice is trying to encourage young families to join the Pool and brought in a lot of younger families this year. Alice brought in Magic Don to the pool for aerobics class for 5 weeks. LVHN sponsored the cost for Magic Don and pool members really enjoyed his classes. Alice lost 8 senior lifeguards this season. The swim team sent thanks to the Board for fixing the blocks. In the future Alice would like to take some of the unused space near the snack stand to enlarge the baby pool area. The Gaga pit has also been a big draw for the kids during the pool season. Wehrungs donated supplies to fix the Gaga pit for this pool season. Alice thanked Lisa Radcliff and Amy for their support during the pool season. Alice is still waiting for a check from Brookfield Apartments for use of the pool.

Manager's Report: The weather worked in the Park's favor this year when it came to events at the Park. Barry Bloch patched and filled the hole in the women's restroom. The remainder of the mud has been washed off the walls and doors in the bathroom and it is good to go. Wheels of Time had very high attendance and did well. Amy wanted to bring to the Board's attention information she received from the organizers of the Cannabis Festival held in Kutztown. The organizers, Zick Productions, would like to come and meet with Amy regarding holding a Cannabis Festival here in the park. At a previous Board meeting it was decided the Board would think about it and decide on a course of action at a later date. The Board discussed possible backlash from the community since there are residential homes surrounding the Park. There may also be issues with the large crowds expected at the festival, which puts a burden on the Park and community as well. There may also need to be additional security for the festival due to the crowds and nature of the Festival. Fred Wieder made a motion to end discussions on the possibility of holding a Cannabis Festival at this time. Mike DeLong second. Alan Printz opposed. Motion approved.

New Business: Donald Young brought up the idea of looking for a facilities coordinator. The facilities coordinator would handle speaking to clients, responding to emails, scheduling events, and handling the rental and scheduling portion of the website. The Board approved the idea of a facilities coordinator and will work on a proposal to get things moving. Donald also brought up the idea of having a Volunteer of the Month program at no cost to the Park. Individuals who are chosen as Volunteer of the Month would receive a gift to show the Park's appreciation for their time and service. The Board will look to Diane Angermeier and Amy to nominate volunteers and it may help as an incentive for individuals to volunteer. The Board approved of the Volunteer of the Month program. Diane Angermeier needs volunteers. The volunteer appreciation event is in October after the dog shows. Alan Printz thanked Lisa Radcliff and her daughter for their time volunteering at the Park.

Meeting Adjourned.

Next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday October 14, 2025 at 7pm.