

**AMITY TOWNSHIP PARKS & RECREATION BOARD**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**AUGUST 18, 2026**

**ATTENDANCE**

Scott Weller, Evan Dominick and Mike O'Reilly. Also present were Kevin Keifrider and Joanne Herb.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mr. Weller called the meeting to Order at 7:00 pm with a Pledge to the Flag.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The approval of the July 21, 2026, Meeting's Minutes was tabled because a quorum was not present.

**VISITORS**

There were none.

**OLD BUSINESS**

***Lake Drive Bathroom Door/Facilities Update -***

Mr. Keifrider reported that we are in the process of overhauling the bathrooms at **Lake Drive**, adding his goal is to repair one facility a year, for the next few years. The tumblers in the locks on the doors broke and two people were trapped inside; so, we replaced both doors at the cost of \$4,500.00 and replaced the timer which wasn't working correctly. Mr. Keifrider also reported we are replacing the fixtures, toilets and will be painting the bathrooms, as well as pressure washing everything. There was a small discussion on waterless urinals, however Mr. Keifrider stated he had researched it, but was told you need a lot of running water or the urinal will calcify and clog.

Mr. Keifrider reported on **Hill Road**. We replaced the trash receptacles as requested, placing them where they felt they were needed. Mr. Weller commented; hopefully this cuts down on the issues. Mr. O'Reilly commented he's heard good things about the lids, especially when we've got weather. Mr. Keifrider mentioned next year before the season starts, the goal is to redo those bathrooms, as they haven't been touched in many years.

**Monocacy Hill** is just general maintenance. Mr. Keifrider explained after a storm, we go up through and check for any trees. We will be doing some weed trimming soon.

Mr. Keifrider also commented on **Amity Community Park**, stating Jerry is currently pressure washing everything up there; the sidewalks and buildings themselves. He did start at the main building, but the power washer broke. After that's fixed he will do the bricks and sand them. Mr. Keifrider reported that the Road Crew put new dugout bottoms in at three baseball fields which were original to the dugout, all rotted, and unlevel. They leveled them out and put new pressure treated boards in. We also fixed the storm water swale at the bottom of the hill, which no one really gets to. It was a big pond of standing water and was a place for mosquitos; so we cleaned and leveled it out with a backhoe.

**Tennis Courts** – Mr. Keifrider commented on the tennis courts, stating they turned out nice. One problem was, the one court was milled out because it used to be a skating rink. They made it a bit too high and the gate wouldn't open, so we raised the gate up and now it works fine. Mr. Keifrider also noted there is a little bit of puddling on that first court. Mr. Bingaman is addressing this with Keystone Sports Construction. He reported the lights are working good now and on until 10:00 PM, adding; the timer is on for a 45-minute time frame and was placed at a convenient location. The three lights that are way down at the basketball courts and shining into the one residents' house, have been disconnected.

Mr. Keifrider reported on the **new dugouts**, noting they are now finished except for concrete. Mr. O'Reilly commented; we've worked a lot of hours on these in the past few weeks. There may be some concern with regards to the bench height when they pour the concrete and add a new layer of stone. The Scouts have asked if there is any way they could get assistance with pouring the concrete, which is being delivered by Halters. Mr. Keifrider noted, Steve Loomis is handling that. Mr. O'Reilly stated the project went well and the girls worked hard; it was impressive and fun. Mr. Keifrider asked if they were going to stain them or paint them. Mr. O'Reilly noted he believes they will paint them. There was a small discussion on the stone and placement of the bench. Mr. O'Reilly remarked the project was a special project for the girls, for their achievements and they had fun.

Mr. Weller asked Mr. O'Reilly if he knew if either BMF or DBAA have a **hazardous weather policy** or protocol. Mr. Keifrider explained, I'm Public Works and I'm here when a bad storm is coming so I can stay in front of it. I usually sit at the Middle School because you've got a good view of the southern part of the Township. During one evening there was active lightning and it got pretty windy. I saw the umpires call the game on one of the softball fields of the older girls; adding, one team left, but the other stayed in the dugout, which is not a safe place to stay. Mr. Keifrider commented he thought it was DBAA because the shirts were a Carolina Blue color, but they stayed there until it started to really pour and then scrambled to the cars. He also saw BMF head for the Main Pavilion for shelter. Mr. Keifrider commented, this storm took a while to come through; it was slow moving but predicted ahead of time. Mr. Weller stated he was not aware of any policy when he was involved in either program but knows there is a 30-minute wait after lightning. Mr. Weller also noted he seems to remember someone having an app on their phone that could detect lightning strikes, which helped determine if we called practice or went back to practice. Mr. Keifrider mentioned the umpires call the games, but for practices the call falls on the coaches. There was a discussion as to who should make the call due to weather events for safety and a possible policy drawn up.

**NEW BUSINESS**

There was none

**PLANNING COMMISSION**

None

**LICENSE COMMITTEE**

None

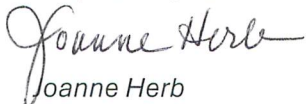
**BOARD CONCERNS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion by Mr. Dominick, seconded by Mr. O'Reilly to adjourn the meeting. The Park and Rec Meeting adjourned at 7:31 PM.

*Respectfully Yours,*

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joanne Herb".

Joanne Herb  
Recording Secretary  
Amity Township

*Approved 9/15/24 - 5-0 motion passed*