

Park and Recreation Board

October 13, 2025 Meeting Minutes

The October 13, 2025, public meeting of the Upper Makefield Township Park and Recreation Board was called to order by Chair Robert Rupp at 7:02 p.m. In attendance were the following members of the Park and Recreation Board: Chair Robert Rupp, Vice Chair Debbie Stasolla, Member Lynn Trstensky, Member Naomi Robinson and Member Melissa Carpenter. Member Kathryn Benson participated virtually. Also in attendance were Assistant Manager Judy Caporiccio, Administrative Assistant Shalia Alejandro and Supervisor Liaison Tom Cino.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Ms. Carpenter and was seconded by Ms. Trstensky to approve the September 16, 2025 minutes. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Discussion of Brownsburg Park Playground Improvements

The Board discussed potential improvements to the Brownsburg Park playground. Ideally, the entire playground would be replaced, in phases if necessary, as it is almost 20 years old. Some pieces have been removed for safety reasons, and replacement parts for other pieces are unavailable or cost prohibitive. Incorporating ADA compliant and inclusive pieces, specific equipment targeted for toddlers, specific equipment for older children (ages up to 12), shaded and seating areas, and playground expansion for future growth are key goals. With the recent addition of the butterfly garden, adding an accessible pathway from the parking lot to the garden, playground and pavilion is a priority and would also provide a cohesive look. Further discussion included replacing the existing wood playground mulch with a solid matting.

Liaison Reports

Board of Supervisors. Mr. Cino provided an update:

- The Washington Crossing Bridge project is ongoing. The Township continues to monitor the project and attend meetings of the Delaware River Joint Toll Bridge Commission and encourages residents to stay informed and share any feedback with the Commission.
- The Sunoco Pipeline leak and remediation is ongoing. The Township continues to monitor the situation as does the Township's Project Manager.
- The 2026 budget process is underway with no tax increase anticipated.

Township. Ms. Caporiccio provided the following updates:

- Next year's Community Day is tentatively scheduled for September 19, 2026, at Brownsburg Park. The first planning meeting for the event will take place on March 31, 2026.
- Budget Workshops are scheduled for October 20 at 5 p.m. and October 21 at 7 p.m. at the Township.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Ms. Carpenter and was seconded by Ms. Trstensky to adjourn the meeting at 7:37 p.m. Motion carried by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,



Judy Caporiccio
Assistant Township Manager
Approved: November 20, 2025