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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING – JUNE 25, 2026

PRESENT IN PERSON: Marc Blucas, Dan Dupont, Paul Kawoczka, Paul Klug, P&R Director
Dudley Rice, Annelise Dahlin (Recreation Program Coordinator) & Supervisor Liaison Rickie Yudin

PRESENT VIA ZOOM: None

ABSENT: Dan Morrin Jr., Nancy Stock-Allen, and Kim Wilson (Associate Member),

OPENING OF MEETING

Dan Dupont called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION 26-11 *On a motion by Paul Kawoczka, second by Marc Blucas, the minutes of the April 23, 2026, meeting were unanimously approved.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS/PRESENTATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE

Mason Botts presented his Eagle Scout Project to the Board of Parks and Recreation for the construction of a Bird Blind at Aquetong Spring Park. Members discussed the project and asked several questions, especially regarding long-term maintenance. He also said that a car wash would be held in July to help him fund the project. Suggestions were made regarding the post installation being in ground rather than in concrete.

MOTION 26-12: *On a motion by Paul Klug, second by Marc Blucas, the Board of Parks and Recreation, by unanimous vote, recommends to the Solebury Township Supervisors the approval of the Eagle Scout project of Mason Botts for the construction and installation of a Bird Blind at Aquetong Spring Park.*

SUBDIVISIONS/LAND DEVELOPMENTS

WINDY BUSH ROAD SUBDIVISION

(Block Development Group)

- Members reviewed and discussed the sketch plan for the 7-lot subdivision at the southeast corner of Windy Bush Road and Pidcock Creek Road.

MOTION 26-13: *On a motion by Dan Dupont, second by Paul Klug, the Parks and Recreation Board, by unanimous vote, recommends to the Solebury Township Board of Supervisors that the parks and recreation requirements of SALDO Section 22-523 for the 7-Lot Windy Bush Road subdivision (Block Development Group) of TMP #41-036-058 at the SE corner intersection of Windy Bush and Pidcock Creek Roads, be fulfilled by payment of the fee in lieu of land at \$4,000 for any dwelling unit built on any lot, payable at the time of application for a building permit.*

RESIGNATION OF MIKE KERNIS: Members acknowledged the resignation of Mike Kernis from the Board of Parks and Recreation that was accepted by the Supervisors and suggested that in addition to looking for a voting member replacement, that the Township also look for an additional person to serve as an associate member since we have a vacancy there also.

BUDGET REPORT

Board members reviewed the P&R budget report and had no questions. The Director noted that the effect of mowing operations would show up in future monthly reports as those bills start to arrive.

REPORTS ON FACILITIES

Board members reviewed the facilities report.

The septic system, tanks, and biometric unit at the snack stand building were inspected. The pre-treatment tank was nearly full and required pumping, which was completed by River Valley Septic System. During the process it was discovered that the second tank in the system, the aerobic treatment tank, was failing due to a hole in the wall. This is not an emergency, and the system will continue to function, however, that tank will eventually have to be replaced. Estimated cost \$9,500-\$18,500. Plumbing repairs were also made in the utility room at the snack stand building including the installation of a new water filtering system and a light.

All Park building locks are being re-keyed as part of the annual security assessment, and new keys will be issued as appropriate. Additionally, a master key system is now in place for Township staff. The buildings at Laurel Park are now the only ones that remain to be re-keyed.

REPORTS ON PROGRAMS

Board members reviewed the program report and were updated on the start of Summer Camp and the summer pickleball program.

EVENTS

Members reviewed the upcoming events and volunteers were requested to help with the Auto Show on August 8 & 9 and lining up cars into their correct spots in the designated lots for judging.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Comprehensive Plan Committee: No report

Trail Task Force: Paul Klug and Annelise Dahlin gave the presentation on the Trail Feasibility Plan and report as prepared with the Township's consultant BOWMAN. Members discussed the various aspects of the plan and posed several questions.

MOTION 26-13: *On a motion by Dan Dupont, second by Paul Klug, the Parks and Recreation Board, by unanimous vote, recommends to the Solebury Township Board of Supervisors that the Trail Feasibility Plan as attached be approved and adopted.*

CPROSGT Plan: Next meeting of just the Committee will be on Monday, June 13 to review the information on remaining updated chapters from our consultant, Gilmore & Assoc.

Lighting Ordinance Committee: No report

Lake Solebury Committee: The committee has been established and members appointed by the Board of Supervisors. First meeting is planned for September 2026. Kevin Morrissey and John Francis will be the Supervisor Liaisons.

OLD BUSINESS

Adopt A Township Road Program: The P&R members expressed interest in adopting a Township road and staff will check to see if Laurel Road, which borders Laurel Park, is still available and what else might still be available, and then select something as a group.

NEW BUSINESS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT / UPDATES

Rickie Yudin provided the following updates:

- The Supervisors have rescinded the Lower Mountain Road ordinance that restricted traffic and so now residents can access Aquetong Spring Park from either direction.
- The Supervisors have **NOT** approved allowing North Wales Water to use a one-acre parcel of the North Pointe open space for a water tower and treatment facility. This was reported in error by the local newspaper.

Annelise Dahlin thanked P&R member Paul Kawoczka and his company, Enliven Planters, for the amazing job with the two planters at the front entrance to the Township office, and encouraged everyone to take notice as they exited the building.

The installation of the Solar Panels on the PW building is complete and will soon be operational.

There is **NO** P&R meeting in July or August – the next meeting will be September 24, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dudley Rice

Dudley Rice, CPRP / CPSI
P&R Director