

Tuscarora Township Parks Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes Approved
December 3, 2025 – 6:00 PM

1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM.

2. Roll Call. Commission members present:

Stacey Cole- Allen Maves- Bryan Henry- Patrick McGinnis- Doug Schofield.

A quorum was established.

3. Public Comment on Agenda.

No public present.

4. Board Comments on Agenda.

A request was made to add Agenda Item 18 – Propane Tank and Propane Service Update.

A spelling correction was noted for Item 16 – Parks Commission Opening.

5. Approval of Agenda.

Motion made by Allen Maves and Seconded by Stacey Cole to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried.

6. Approval of Minutes.

Motion made by Allen Maves and Seconded by Patrick McGinnis to approve the previous minutes. Motion carried.

7. Approval of Bills.

Discussion occurred regarding a Universal Handling invoice for a new dumpster that had already been paid.

Motion to approve the bills was made by Pat McGinnis and Seconded by Allen Maves. Motion carried.

8. Snowblower Tractor Update.

Doug reported that the original \$3,500 repair estimate increased to nearly \$13,000, making repair unreasonable.

Kubota's quote for a new B-Series tractor with a blower and blade was \$35,264 with discounts, expected to increase.

Bobcat offered a used tractor for \$37,900, less favorable than Kubota.

DDA increased sidewalk-plowing contribution to \$5,000 per year and will reimburse \$2,500 for the past five years.

New equipment features include a 60-inch blower, hydraulic back blade, and heated/air-conditioned cab.

Ginop's was praised for multiple loaners provided with little notice.

Motion was made by Stacey Cole and seconded by Bryan Henry to authorize purchase not to exceed \$35,264 pending Township Board approval. Motion carried.

9. Boat Launch Lighting Update.

Work delayed until spring due to conditions.

10. Items for Sale – Scoreboard and Hobby Horses

Items sold for \$200 and \$75, respectively.

11. Sidewalk Sealing Update.

Final sealing postponed until spring due to weather.

12. 2026 Fireworks Committee Update.

Patrick McGinnis appointed as Parks representative; Sue Fisher for DDA.

Volunteer recruitment planned after New Year.

13. Dumpster Update.

New dumpster delivered. Chair noted color discrepancy (black instead of green).

Scrap dumpster generated \$660 for the Parks Upgrade & Maintenance Fund.

14. DeVoe Beach Bathroom Update.

Work to resume in spring; updated planning underway.

15. Cooperation Park Lighting Update.

Sledding hill lights significantly improved; lights will run at night until midnight for safety.

Final soccer field light installation planned for spring.

16. Parks Commission Opening.

Three applications received. Interviews to be scheduled next week..

17. Lamprey nets at DeVoe Beach.

Installation notification viewed as courtesy; Commission cannot prohibit installation.

18. Propane Update.

Two new tanks installed and filled by Propane Plus.

Upgraded gauges, handles, and hoses provided. Zamboni tanks installed and operational.

19. Public Comment.

No public present.

20. Board Comments.

Holiday well-wishes exchanged.

Discussion on sidewalk maintenance near the school; meeting scheduled with school administration.

Discussion on clarifying hiring/firing authority through Township Board.

Ideas discussed for winter fundraising events such as broomball or tournaments.

21. Adjournment.

Motion to adjourn made by Pat McGinnis and seconded by Allen Maves. Motion carried.