

UPPER MORELAND TOWNSHIP
Committees Meeting Agenda
September 22, 2025 at 7:00 p.m.

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Parks and Recreation Committee Members: Commissioner and Committee Chair Nicholas O. Scull, Jared Jacobs and Commissioner Benjamin W. Olszewski; Township Staff Member: Katie Kollar, Director of Parks and Recreation Department

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Presentations/Announcements**
- IV. Public Comments – Non-Agenda Items Only**
- V. Approval of Minutes – July 21, 2025 (attachment)**
- VI. Acceptance and approval of the following monthly reports (attachments):**
 - A. Parks and Recreation Report
 - B. Library Board of Trustees Report
- VII. Old Business**
 - A. PECO Power Line Trail (attachment)
- VIII. New Business**
 - A. 4th Annual Historical Haunts at the Farmstead (attachments)
- IX. Other Items**
- X. Commissioner Comments**
- XI. Adjournment**

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting

Parks and Recreation Committee Members: Commissioner and Committee Chair Anthony Benvenutti, Commissioner Nicholas O. Scull, Commissioner Benjamin Olszewski, Kate Kollar, Director of Parks and Recreation Department.

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Nicholas Scull in the absence of Commissioner and Committee Chair Anthony Benvenutti.
- II. **Roll Call:** Commissioners Nicholas Scull and Demond Mullen. Absent: Commissioner and Committee Chair Anthony Benvenutti and Commissioner Benjamin Olszewski. Excused Absence: Mrs. Kollar, Director of Parks and Recreation. Also present: Patrick Stasio, Township Manager, and Alex Baumler, Township Solicitor.
- III. **Announcement** – Nothing to report.
- IV. **Presentation** – Nothing to report.
- V. **Public Comments – Non-Agenda Items Only** – Nothing to report.
- VI. **Approval of Minutes – June 16, 2025:**
The Committee unanimously approved the minutes as submitted.
- VII. **Acceptance and approval of the following monthly reports:**
 - A. **Parks and Recreation Monthly Reports** – Mr. Stasio reviewed the following:
 - Mrs. Kollar is working with Simone Collins and Gilmore & Associates on the synthetic baseball field at Masons Mill Park.
 - Mrs. Kollar will meet with neighbors directly adjacent to Woodlawn Park to discuss the Master Plan regarding the area view from their backyard.
 - Maintenance crews continue to work aggressively on preparation and maintenance of the playing fields, trees and lawn care at the Township's parks, and recent storm clean up in other open spaces within the Township.
 - B. **Library Board of Trustees Report** – Megan Freedman, Trustee, reviewed the following items:
 - Demonstration Garden planted behind the Library is growing well.
 - Thanked volunteers from the Environmental Advisory Council and the community for weeding on July 14th.
 - Upcoming programs include:
 - July 29th, 1-4 PM, Montgomery County Intermediate Unit will bring their environmental mobile unit for students to learn how the Demonstration Garden contributes to a better environment.
 - August 10th, 2-2:30 PM, “Make Your Own Garden Pollinator” and a tour of the Demonstration Garden with a Penn State Extension Master Gardener.
 - Engraved bricks at the entrance of the Library will be individually photographed to preserve them permanently in digital format and will be posted to the website.
 - Seeking residents to fill a volunteer Trustee opportunity (must be at least 18 years of age) and a volunteer Student Advisor opportunity (between 16-18 years of age). More information and an application can be found on the Library's website.
- VIII. **Old Business** – Nothing to report.

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July 21, 2025 - Meeting Minutes**

IX. New Business:

- A. Farmstead Alliance Event Request – Mr. Stasio explained the following:
 - A fundraiser tap event on October 4th, 3-6 PM, that offers an open fire pit, alcohol, food, beverages, raffles, corn hole tournament and possibly a craft fair, which has been held at the park in the past.
 - The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners approve at the August 4, 2025 Regular Meeting.
- B. Consider the cancellation of the August 18, 2025 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting:
 - The Committee canceled the August 18, 2025 Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting.

X. Other Parks and Recreation Items – Nothing to report.

XI. Visitor Comments – Nothing to report.

XII. Commissioner Comments – Nothing to report.

XIII. Adjournment: There being no further business for this Committee, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kathleen Kristire.

To: Upper Moreland Board of Commissioners
From: Katie Kollar, Parks and Recreation Director
RE: July / August 2025 Park and Recreation Report
Date: 9/4/25



The Department of Parks and Recreation includes four full-time administrative staff, six full-time maintenance workers, and numerous part-time instructors and seasonal employees. The Parks Division manages 19 parks and open space areas, as well as the Township and Library Building grounds, trails, and additional public spaces throughout Upper Moreland Township.

The Recreation Division offers inclusive programs and special events for residents of all ages and abilities. In partnership with community groups, we work to identify needs and trends, providing safe, affordable, and enriching recreational opportunities. This monthly report highlights key activities from the past month.

- Collaborated with community organizations regarding their event proposals and determined how UMPR can offer support (Farmstead Alliance – Farmstead on Tap, UM EAC, PERT, etc.)
- Toured parks and addressed issues with residents on a daily basis
- Collaborated with Keystone Softball to offer Men's/Coed leagues at Masons Mill; Spring season wrapped the week of 8/4, Fall season began the week of 8/18
- Collaborated with Abington Area Women's Softball to combine for a Friday night League; spring season wrapped the week of July 14; there is no Fall season
- Held our second Pickleball League at MM Park; spring league wrapped mid-June; summer league wrapped the last week of August; fall league to begin the week of 9/ (46 participants in the spring; 47 participants in the summer; 72 participants in the fall)
- Coordinated Park Clean ups with several volunteers (UM Key Club, NHS students; EAC)
- Began site lay-out and preparation for Pop Up Disc Golf course at Fair Oaks Park
- Tracked progress on Parks Projects and updated grant information
- Closed out the PEMA project at Surrey Lane / Lori Lane by satisfying maintenance requirements
- Created content for the UMPR for the UM bi-annual newsletter
- Collated community group field usage requests for the Fall and completed the permitting

Departmental Projects:

1. **Woodlawn Park** – Advertised Bids for MM synthetic turf project on 7/25, held a pre-bid meeting on 8/13; opened bids on 8/27
2. **PECO Power Line Trail** – Funding has been secured; coordinating with Bowman and DVRPC to hold a kick off meeting mid-September
3. **Veteran's Memorial Park (SEPTA)** – No update; sending continuous requests for updates
4. **Farmstead Spring House Restoration** – Advertised Bids for Springhouse Restoration project on 7/28, held a pre-bid meeting on 8/20; opened bids on 8/28
5. **Bonnet Lane** – Met with Bowman to schedule tree-pruning in preparation for new utility poles to be installed in proposed locations

Committees:

1. **Shade Tree Committee** – 2025 goal is community education and events; we did not meet in July; next meeting is 9/9
2. **PRAC** – our July parks tour meeting was canceled due to storms, no formal minutes were taken; next meeting is 9/9
3. **Montgomery County Senior Games** – no meetings in the summer
4. **PA Recreation and Park Society – Membership Committee** – no meetings in the summer

Seasonal Employees:

1. Summer Staff – We had a great crew this year who worked extremely hard to deliver the high quality and fun summer program that our residents have come to expect.
2. Park Attendants - We were fully staffed during the summer months, a few of our team members ended their seasonal assignments in August
3. Seasonal Maintenance – Onboarded eight additional seasonal full-time maintenance members; a few of our team members ended their seasonal assignments in August

Parks Maintenance (Joe Reilly, Parks Foreman):

Our Maintenance Team plays a vital role in ensuring that our facilities remain safe, functional, and welcoming for the community. Their responsibilities include inspecting stormwater basins, monitoring stormwater activity, and clearing waterways before and after rain events. The team is also actively engaged in ongoing parks projects and consistently responds promptly to resident/ community maintenance requests and assignments.

We onboarded a new employee during the month of July, Thomas Poppert. Tom comes to us from UM Public Works. Our crew welcomed and oriented him with P&R procedures.

In addition to vegetation management—such as mowing, weed control, and limb/tree trimming—our crew handles program preparation, sports field upkeep, general park readiness, trash collection, and vehicle maintenance and cleaning.

Notable activities and accomplishments for UMPR Maintenance Team in July/Aug include:

- Masons Mill Park – Resurrected the “book walk” around the trail; weed maintenance and mulching, ballfield maintenance, pond maintenance; flipped baseball outfield into football
- Pileggi Park – replaced the railroad ties around the play equipment; renovated the electrical shed on the back field; pruned trees lining walking path and reprogrammed the lighting system
- Terwood – had to reschedule tree removal / pruning for July (storms)
- Farmstead Park – Tended to the new plantings per maintenance plan; assisted in preparation of information for the Springhouse project; met with MCPC to tour the park on 7/15
- Veterans Park – regular maintenance; met with police force and parks team to determine action items to deter unhoused population from gathering in the park; erected new signage to outline the rules of the park; implemented daily clean up of the area and have been reporting any suspicious findings to UMPD.

- Fair Oaks – it was reported that an invasive vine was overtaking the basin, our team assessed the complaint and hand-pulled as much of this vine as possible; freeing the native vegetation; we coordinated with PERT to come do an inspection and it was determined that the basin is thriving; we will revisit a maintenance plan in the fall.

7/14/2025	The Pa Turnpike brush is overgrowing the fence along turnpike drive and into our ROW and on the corner	7/14/25- KK confirmed with Joe he will take a look, Joe confirmed he and his team will take care of it this week. 7/15 Joe and team confirmed job finished	7/15 - task complete
7/15/2025	2602 Horsham Road- Michael called to say there was a down tree branch on his fence from the park behind him	7/15/25- Joe confirmed completion	7/15 - JR spoke with resident while completing the request
7/17/2025	Mary called to let us know about a creek having a vine and weed problem near barett street/broughton park.	7/17/25 KK going to park to acess	7/21 - UMPR crew cleared out weeds and debris!
7/17/2025	Matt let Kate know the Basketball hoops at veterans park are in need of new nets.	7/17/2025 KK let Matt know there are safety concerns with the basketball court and she is working towards a safe solution to open the court back up	Court is closed
7/22/2025	Linda called to say the creek areas from Pennypack Valley Green Apts. Bridge on warminster road, downstream near turnpike bridge and norfolk southern trail bridge are blocked from down branches/logs.	7/23 Joe reviewed areas, Warminster rd bridge is currently clear, The Turnpike bridge is PennDots responsibility and Simone called 7/23 and they are investigating and taking care of it, will return a phone call with results, The bridge by Norfolk southern trail is their responsibility and Simone reached out and they will work on it and be in touch.	7/23- Called Lynda and let her know of the findings!
7/30/2025	Woodlawn - vine growing in the butterfly bush on park property	8/1 - UMPR team removed vine	8/1 - UMPR team acknowledged her in her back yard while performing work

8/5/2025	Fair Oaks - Resident stated after a tree was removed, yard waste was piled and left in the area - Another tree next to property has dead limbs, and is in need of trimming.	8/6 - UMPR removed brush	JR spoke with the resident while the request was being completed
8/11/2025	Resident states that fence is very rusty and looks like it is falling down/need work done. Would like someone to look at it and get back to her	8/11 - JR toured the area and, although the fence is rusty, it is not in need of replacement; it is still intact	
8/24/2025	MM Gazebo - 2 lights are problematic - 1 is out and the middle one flickers. The light that was out on 8/24/25 is the the light closest to the entrance that leads to the pond/Masons Mill Road	8/28/25 - Pete contacted UMPW electrician to assess; 3 of the 4 lights are working	

Special Events (Jen Hartigan, Recreation Program Coordinator):

1. **Habitat Heroes Event** – Farmstead Park, Wednesday 9/17/25, 5:00pm-6:30pm
Topics: Environmental Improvements to the Park and Habitat led by Chris Mendel, Director of Pennypack Ecological Restoration Trust
-Brief history of Farmstead Park and information on Farmstead Alliance led by Alan Sentman, President of Farmstead Alliance
2. **Fall Frolic Tween Dance** – UM Fire Hall, Friday 9/26/25. 6:30pm-8:30pm
3. **Pumpkins on Parade** – Masons Mill Park, Saturday 10/18/25, 6:00pm-8:00pm
4. **Holiday Photo at Farmstead Park**, Saturday 11/15/25, 9:00am-2:00pm
5. **“Fowl” Shooting Basketball Event** – UM Middle School, Friday 11/21/25, 7pm-8:30pm
6. **Santa Calls!** – Tuesday 12/9/25 5:30pm-7:00pm

Recreation (Jen Hartigan, Recreation Program Coordinator):

1. **Trips and Tickets:** Penn Cinema and Regal Movie ticket sales have been steady. Amusement park tickets offerings were utilized by patrons throughout the summer in our office and online.
2. **Golden Age Club (246 members to date for 2025):** Over the summer, GAC members took a few trips in June. Then in July, members were sent a postcard to inform them of upcoming trips. Fall meetings will be starting back up in September.

3. **Fall Programs:** Fall program open during the weeks of 9/8 and 9/15. We are offering 3 new programs this season (Youth Archery, Wee Explore Nature, and “Meet me at the Park” with UMPR).
4. **Summer Programs and Camps:** The UMPR Supervised Playground program went well this summer with over 300 registrants! Along we Supervised playgrounds we offered 18 other sports and specialty camps.
5. **Leagues:** Summer Pickleball was a success and we are getting ready for the Fall season. Fall Softball started back up in August with Co-ed softball at 8 teams and Men’s Softball with 6 teams.

Upper Moreland Free Public Library
The 676th Board of Trustees Meeting
August 13, 2025
Meeting held at 6:30 PM in the Community Room

Meeting Minutes

Attending: Moureen Wenik (president), Tony Giannetti (secretary), Jay Silverman (treasurer), Diane Walton, Marianne Watson, Marian Mee, and Cathy Gilmore-Clough (UMFPL executive director)

Absent: Megan Friedmann, Commissioner Ben Olszewski

- I. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order by Moureen Wenik at 6:33 pm
- II. **Business of Visitors**
 - Friends of UMFPL (Thom Almerini)
 - Friends are proposing a Little Free Library at the SEPTA station
- III. **President's Remarks (Moureen Wenik)**
 - The August UMT Parks and Recreation committee commissioner meeting has been cancelled
 - Marian Mee has volunteered for the September 22, 2025 UMT Parks and Recreation committee commissioner meeting
- IV. **Consensus Agenda (Moureen Wenik) [Motion #1] a Marianne Watson / Jay Silverman motion was unanimously approved to accept the following consensus agenda as presented:**
 - Approve the July 9, 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
 - Accept the Director's Report for August 2024
 - Approve the July 2025 Financial Statements
- V. **Treasurer's Report (Jay Silverman) [Motion #2] Payment of July 2025 bills in the amount of \$73,004.49 unanimously approved by a Jay Silverman / Marianne Watson motion**
- VI. **Director's Report Highlights (Cathy Gilmore-Clough)**
 - MCLINC Board of Directors voted NO to implementing Polaris Essentials
 - Data ownership of shared MCLINC database discussed
 - State Aid Library Subsidy Application reviewed
 - UMT changes to library landscaping discussed
 - Second signer needed to transfer PNC CD to PNC checking on August 18 or 19
- VII. **Committee Actions**

Advocacy Committee Discussion (*Meeting of the whole*)*

 - Ad request for Upper Moreland Marching Band was discussed
 - The library will be represented at the October 4th Farmstead on Tap event

Board Development Committee (*Marianne Watson*)

 - Report on August 4 meeting
 - Board and Officer terms discussed

Facility Committee (*Marian Mee*)

- Recommendations for handyman services were solicited from the BOT
- Storm water grate and planned HVAC repairs were discussed
- No meeting held or scheduled

Finance Committee (*Tony Giannetti*)

- Finance committee met 10am July 31 2025 to review the draft 2026 library budget
- **[Motion #3] to approve the Finance Committee recommendation for a 2.8% increase in the 2026 UMFPL Proposed Budget ask to UMT seconded by Diane Walton and unanimously approved**

Policy and Bylaws Committee (*Megan Friedman*)

- **[Motion #4] to approve the revised Patron Suggestions and Concerns Policy as presented by the Policy Committee unanimously approved by a Jay Silverman /Marianne Watson motion**

Strategic Plan Action Committee (*Diane Walton*)

- No meeting held
- Next meeting scheduled for September 9 at 6:30 PM

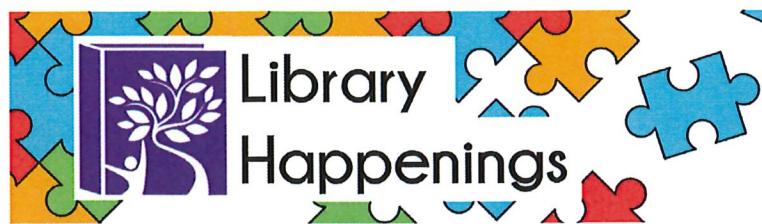
VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Adjournment: With no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:52 PM

*All trustees are encouraged to participate
Minutes are respectfully submitted by Tony Giannetti / cgc

Approved by Board of Trustees September 10, 2025



Library Happenings

SEP
2025

ALL AGES:

Batty for Bats: Our Ecosystem Partners

Tuesday, Sept. 23, 2pm

Learn more about our misunderstood friends -- how they help our ecosystem and how you can help them -- and meet adorable bats ambassadors! Sponsored by the Upper Moreland Township EAC and presented by PA Bat Conservation and Rehabilitation.

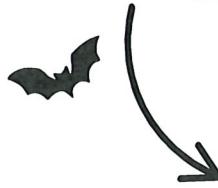


Peppermint Patty
Hoary Bat



For a full list of ALL library events visit:

www.umfpl.org/events/



Little Tykes

Toddler Story Time

Wednesdays, Sept. 3, 10, 17, and 24, 10am

Join us for fun books, rhymes and songs.
Geared to ages 1 to 4; siblings are welcome.

Baby Story Time

Fridays, Sept. 5, 12, 19, and 26, 10am

Come for stories, rhymes, songs and movement.
Newborns - 18 months; siblings welcome.

School-Age Kids

Young Artists: Pom-pom Tree

Available Starting Tuesday, Sept. 2

Artists Take and Makes are available the first of every month. (Apart from holidays closures)



Lego Club

Wednesdays, Sept. 3 and 17, 3:30-4:30pm

Join us for fun projects with LEGO bricks.

Reading with Fuzzy Friends

Saturday, Sept. 13, 10:30-11:30am

Practice reading skills with a sweet, furry friend.
Register: uppermorelandlibrary.org/register

Elementary Experimenters: Parachute Flyer

Available starting Monday, Sept. 15

STEM Take and Makes for school-age children.

Craft Night : Paint a Tote Bag

Wednesday, Sept. 17, 6pm

Join Ms. Virginia to make something crafty.



Story Time and a Craft

Saturday, Sept. 27, 10:30am

Geared to ages 4-10, but all ages are welcome.

Book Club for Grades 1-3 and 4-7

Sunday, Sept. 28, 1:30pm

Discuss books and pick new titles to read.



Library closed for Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1



Library Happenings

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Teens

Teen/Tween Chess Club

Mondays, 4pm

Test your chess skills against new opponents and meet fellow chess enthusiasts.

Teen Volunteer Meeting

Sept. 25, 3:30pm

Learn how to get volunteer hours at the library.

For Adults

Adult Craft Kits: Paper Star Origami

Available Tuesday, Sept. 2

Pick up a free craft supply kit at the library (while supplies last).

Tech Help Drop-In Hour

Tuesday, Sept. 9, 2pm

Drop by to talk to a librarian about your tech questions.

Tea Blend Workshop

Tuesday, Sept. 9, 6pm

Experiment with different ingredients to create your own blend to take home.

Registration required

Senior Social Hour

Friday, Sept. 12, 3pm

Seniors are invited to gather for conversation, story sharing and games.

Spice Up Your Life Kit: Cream of Tartar

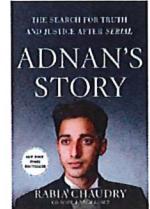
Available Monday, Sept. 15

Pick up a spice kit with recipes at the library (while supplies last).

True Crime Tales: "Adnan's Story"

Tuesday, Sept. 16, 6:30pm

Join us on Zoom to discuss this title by Rabia Chaudry. Sign up at umfpl.org/events



National Voter Registration Day

Tuesday, Sept. 16

Stop by the library table to grab voting info, register to vote online, and pick up some voting swag.

AFOL (Adult Fans of Lego) Club

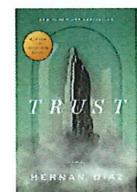
Sunday, Sept. 21, 2pm

Are you an Adult Fan of Lego? Join us and fellow fans to build some fun Lego sets.

Book Discussion: "Trust" by Hernán Díaz

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 6:30pm

Join us in the library or on Zoom. Sign up at umfpl.org/events



Writers Group

Saturday, Sept. 27, 11am

Drop in to join amateur and experienced writers for discussion, writing prompts and critiques. Open to all adults.

State Sen. Maria Collett's Office Services:

Monday, Sept. 8, 10:30am-12:30pm

Stop by for notary service, PennDOT support, or assistance with other state-related issues.

Virtual Author Talk Series

Register:

libraryc.org/UpperMorelandLibrary



Hannah Nicole Maehrer:
Wednesday, Sept. 3, 8pm

Jefferson Fisher:
Wednesday, Sept. 10, 3pm

Gabe Henry:
Wednesday, Sept. 17 at 3pm



Upper Moreland Free Public Library - Knowledge & Adventure Beyond Words!

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LIBRARY HOURS: Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 10 AM – 8 PM; Friday & Saturday: 10 AM – 5 PM; Sunday: 1 – 5 PM

Upper Moreland Free Public Library
The 675th Board of Trustees Meeting
July 9, 2025
Meeting held at 6:30 PM in the Community Room

Meeting Minutes

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Absent: Commissioner Ben Olszewski

- I. **Call to Order** The meeting was called to order by Moureen Wenik at 6:30 pm
- II. **Business of Visitors**
 - UMT resident Frank Mull attended the meeting
- III. **President's Remarks (Moureen Wenik)**
 - Megan Friedmann has volunteered for the July, 21 2025 UMT Parks and Recreation committee commissioner meeting
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- V. **Treasurer's Report (Jay Silverman) [Motion #2] Payment of June 2025 bills in the amount of \$33,531.58 was unanimously approved by a Jay Silverman / Megan Friedman motion**
- VI. **Director's Report Highlights (Cathy Gilmore-Clough)**
 - Changes to MS 365 licenses effective September 30, 2025
 - MCLINC's proposed Polaris enhancement for 2026
 - Annual Report approved by office of commonwealth libraries and no waiver will be required
 - Expansion of UMFPL outdoor demonstration garden
- VII. **Committee Actions**

Advocacy Committee Discussion (*TBD*)*

 - No meeting held or scheduled

Board Development Committee (*Marianne Watson*)

 - Pavilion rented for 10/3/25 for Friends, Staff and Trustees Picnic
 - Charges waived by UMT Parks & Recreation Staff
 - No meeting held or scheduled

Facility Committee (*Marian Mee*)

 - No meeting held or scheduled

Finance Committee (*Tony Giannetti*)

 - 2026 Budget Meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 31 at 10am in the Library Community Room

- Dave Hakes has agreed to be a community member at large for the finance committee

Policy and Bylaws Committee (*Megan Friedman*)

- Report on July 2 meeting
- **[Motion #3] Committee recommendation to approve the updated Collection Management policy was unanimously approved by a Marianne Watson motion**
- Next meeting scheduled for August 6 at 4:30pm

Strategic Plan Action Committee (*Diane Walton*)

- Report on July 8 meeting
- Update on RFID and study pod projects

VIII. Old Business

IX. New Business

X. Adjournment: With no other business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM

*All trustees are encouraged to participate
Minutes are respectfully submitted by Tony Giannetti / cgc

Approved by Board of Trustees July 9, 2025

Library Happenings

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ALL AGES:

Eyes of the Wild: Exotic Animal Presentation Friday, August 15, 1:30pm

Meet and learn about several exotic animal ambassadors. And even pet some! Space is limited, come early to get a seat!



Color Our World: All Ages Scavenger Hunt Aug 1-17

Find all 7 KEY clues hidden around the library to decode the secret word! Complete your entry form to be entered to win the grand prize!
(All participants receive a small prize for playing!)



Color Our World: Sidewalk Chalk

Saturday and Sunday, August 9 & 10, All Day
Use our sidewalk chalk to color on our patio and sidewalks. Have fun and be creative!



Little Tykes

Toddler Story Time

Wednesdays, August 6, 13, 20, and 27, 10am

Join us for fun books, rhymes and songs.
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Baby Story Time

Fridays, August 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29, 10am

Come for stories, rhymes, songs and movement.
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Colorful Carnival

Monday, August 4, 10:30am -12pm

Children can participate in a number of fun and colorful activities geared to ages 1-5. A great chance for the children and caregivers to meet up with others in this age group.

School-Age Kids

Young Artists: Sticker Dot Art

Available Starting Friday, August 1
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Lego Club

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Rainbow Scratch Art

Tuesday, August 12, 2:30pm
Create your own images on rainbow scratch paper using templates or freehand.

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SummerQuest
COLOR OUR WORLD.

ALL AGES : June 19 - August 17

EARN BADGES, POINTS AND PRIZES WITH BEANSTACK!



Library Happenings

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Teens

Teen/Tween Chess Club

Mondays, 4pm

Test your chess skills against new opponents, and meet fellow chess enthusiasts.

Teen Volunteer Meeting

Aug 28, 3:30pm; every fourth Thursday

Learn how to get volunteer hours at the library.

Teen Cooking Class

Thursday, August 7, 6-7:30pm

Local chef Monica returns to run another cooking class for teens with new recipes! Space is limited, so register today!

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For Adults

Adult Craft Kits: Mermaid Tail Key Chains

Available Friday, Aug 1

Pick up a free craft supply kit at the library (while supplies last).

Making Your Garden Pollinator Friendly

Sunday, Aug 10, 2pm

Learn practical tips to make a keep your garden a pollinator safe haven with Penn State Master Gardener!

Bud Vase Paint Night

Tuesday, August 5, 6pm

Join Alex to make a unique vase for flowers.

Registration required



Senior Social Hour

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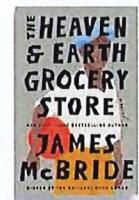
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Writers Group

Saturday, August 23, 11am

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Monday, Aug 11, 10:30am-12:30pm

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Virtual Author Talk Series

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Smithsonian Biologist Jay Falk: Tuesday, Aug 5, 2pm

Food and Flirty Fun in Fiction with Casey McQuiston: Wednesday, Aug 20th, 7 PM

Organizational Psychologist Dr. Tasha Eurich: Thursday, August 28th at 2:00 PM EDT



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Agenda Summary

Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting – September 22, 2025

Agenda Item:

PECO Trail Engineering Project Update

Prepared by:

Katie Kollar, Director of Parks and Recreation

Attachments:

N/A

Background / Analysis:

Our traffic engineer submitted an updated quote for engineering services of the trail in the amount of \$644,000 (to include a PennDOT mandated archeological investigation).

The PECO Powerline Trail Project has previously been approved by the Board of Commissioners and has secured funding as part of the recent bond issue. Upper Moreland Township was awarded a construction grant in the amount of \$2.45 Million (TASA – Transportation Alternatives Set Aside) for the construction of the PECO powerline trail from Blair Mill Road to Maryland Road at the Jamestown Village Apartments. I have confirmed that the project can be completed within the required grant deadline.

Fiscal Impact / Sources:

Upper Moreland Township's financial responsibility for the project is \$644,000. The TASA grant does not require a match; however, all engineering is the responsibility of the Township. In addition, UMPR has submitted a DCNR C2P2 grant application for \$200,000, with award notifications expected in November.

Alternatives:

Do not complete the project

Recommended Action:

The Board of Commissioners previously approved this project. No recommended action at this time.

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Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting – September 22, 2025

Agenda Item: **UMHC – Farmstead Park Event Request**

Prepared by: Katie Kollar, Director of Parks and Recreation / Jacqueline Cherepinsky

Attachments: Proposal from Upper Moreland Historical Committee

Background/Analysis: UMHC is seeking approval to offer its 4th Annual Historical Haunts event at Farmstead Park on Saturday, October 25, from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. This event aims to bring the community together with both history and paranormal at Farmstead Park.

Event Features:

- Vendors (possibly including Animal Rescue/Adoption)
- Guest Speakers
- Self Guided Tours
- Light Refreshments
- Fire Pits
- Generators

Fiscal Impact/Source: N/A

Alternatives: Do not approve this event

Recommended Action: The Committee recommends the Board of Commissioners approve at the Oct 6, 2025 Regular Meeting.

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4th Annual Historical Haunts at the Farmstead

Saturday, October 25th from 3pm to 7pm at Farmstead Park

Purpose: To bring the community together with both history and paranormal at Farmstead Park

Timeline:

2pm Doors open for set up

3pm Vendors can start selling

5pm Ghost stories; lore and legends; guest speakers

6:30pm Self-guided tours in the haunted establishment

7pm Event concludes and clean up

Vendors will include mostly community nonprofits but also some authors and small local businesses. The purpose of this portion is to allow people to learn more about the different resources and businesses available in our area. If approved, we would love to welcome a rescue to the event to try to get animals adopted. Ghosts and poochies? Win-win. Everyone loves animals, and usually rescues bring a fresh crowd of people. People are also obsessed with ghosts, so put the two together, and we have a great opportunity to bring to life the Farmstead.

We have hired a police officer to be there from 4pm to 7pm when we expect the most traffic.

We are providing free light refreshments for those attending. Wawa is sponsoring it again this year. We will be purchasing some light refreshments and accepting donations from small businesses.

As in previous years, we will be putting up a few fire pits.

We have David DeBalko as the photographer.

We will need the following:

- Extra port-o-potty
- Anything left over from pumpkins on parade
- Trash cans and bags
- Between 6-8 picnic tables (there is one currently broken at the Farmstead)
- 4 tables that are not picnic tables

Last year we had over 150 people attend. I expect around 150-200 people.

Guest speakers:

- Actor and Author of *Weird Pennsylvania*, Matt Lake
- Linked Souls Paranormal
 - o Will be meeting with them at the Farmstead September 21st in the evening to do a reading prior to the event