



**Tredyffrin Township Park and Recreation Board Meeting
April 8, 2026**

Participants:

Park Board Members: Diane van Mol, Kris Robie, Patty Copeland, Raffi Terzian, and Porsha Trisdorfer

Tredyffrin Township Staff: Darin Fitzgerald, Colleen Cappello, and Officer Butler

1. Call to Order at 7:03 PM
2. Approval of Meeting Minutes (March 2026)
3. Reports
 - a. Police report
 - i. 3/21/26, Wilson Farm Park – Police were dispatched for a well-being check on approximately 50 people in the section of the park that was closed. Police cleared the area. Public Works was informed.
 - ii. 3/26/26, Wilson Farm Park – Animal complaint and suspicious party reported regarding goose chasing. The officer contacted Public Works and confirmed that the Township had hired a goose management company. The reporting party was informed of these findings.
 - iii. 4/6/26, Teegarden – Officers responded to the report of loud music being played on the softball field. Officers indicated music was at a reasonable volume.
 - b. Public Works report
 - i. 355 Chase Improvements:
 - (1) Resurface and install a basketball court
 - (2) Resurface and install pickleball courts (6), including sound-dampening
 - (3) Upgrading tennis courts (2)
 - (a) Pickleball, basketball, and tennis courts will include new fencing and windscreens, as needed
 - (4) Installation of stockade fencing along two sides of townhomes
 - (5) Mill and resurfacing of parking lots
 - (6) Mill and resurfacing of the existing path into the walkway of the court area
 - (7) Demo existing building
 - (8) New restroom installation, including two family restrooms to be tied into the sanitary sewer, with water fountains
 - (9) Installation of a covered pavilion outside the restrooms, including picnic tables
 - (10) Installation of benches similar to those in Wilson Farm Park
 - (11) Installation of upper driveway for maintenance building; driveway will no longer be located through the property, but instead gated at Chase Road

- (12) Installation of a maintenance building for Public Works, including 200-amp service from PECO for the entire complex, since the current area requires demolition
- (13) Park signage to include upgrading the wall at the corner of Chase and Hayward
- ii. Wilson Farm Park
 - (1) All miscellaneous equipment and debris will be cleaned this week
 - (2) Concession and picnic playgrounds are complete
 - (3) Tot Lot:
 - (a) The area will require demolition and removal of playground equipment to resolve the identified subsoil issues.
 - (b) Currently awaiting a delivery for fencing upgrades
 - (c) The Gaga pit will be installed when temperatures are consistently above 50 degrees
 - (d) Sun sails/screens will be installed when work is completed
 - (e) Still awaiting delivery of the new water fountains
 - (4) Goose Management is occurring multiple times a day in the park. Geese with goslings are excluded from any management activities
- iii. Teegarden
 - (1) The entrance has been leveled to address issues with individuals slipping
- c. Parks and Recreation report
 - i. Pavilion rentals have begun
 - ii. Spring sports have also started
 - iii. Community Events
 - (1) Bus trip to New York to see Wicked on Saturday, April 11, 2026
 - (2) Community Yard Sale to take place on April 28, 2026. Registration closing date on April 17, 2026
 - (3) Spring Movie Night on May 8, 2026. Zootopia 2 will play
 - iv. Camp Registration has begun, and staff have been hired
 - v. Request for Parks and Recreation Board to review the Dog Park manual before Board of Supervisors approval
 - (1) The manual has been reviewed and approved by the Township's insurance company and the Township's Solicitor
- 4. Old Business
 - a. Friendship Park
 - i. Checks were issued to the county for storm management, and the bid process is to be completed by August
 - ii. Planned construction to begin in the fall of 2026 and end sometime in 2027
 - iii. Primary planned upgrades include:
 - (1) Dog park
 - (2) New paths
 - (3) Inclusion of a restroom
 - (4) Stormwater management
 - iv. Additional plans include:
 - (1) Upgrading playground equipment
 - (2) Parking lot repaving
 - (3) Township to remove underbrush in the dog park area
 - v. The Environmental Advisory Committee has offered to donate five trees. Public Works will identify an appropriate planning location that will not interfere with planned stormwater management activities
 - b. Arts Commission (Patty Benson and Cara Cline-Thomas)

- i. The Arts Commission reviewed potential locations for the mural project; however, concerns were noted regarding the overall visibility of the proposed sites
 - ii. The Arts Commission requested that the Parks Board consider placement of a shaded bench and discussed the possibilities of residents adding their handprints in red, white, and blue during Community Day or another event
 - iii. Discussion occurred regarding whether the bench could be placed in the proposed location or if it would need to be installed within an existing park to secure Parks Foundation funds to support this initiative. The Arts Commission was encouraged to discuss the requirements for funding directly with the Park Foundation
 - iv. The bench may also be repainted or updated in the future
 - v. The proposed bench is approximately 96 inches wide, weighs over 100 pounds, and is constructed of recyclable materials
 - vi. The Arts Commission stated that it would be responsible for repainting and maintenance, as needed
 - vii. The Arts Commission emphasized the uniqueness of this particular design, which would stand out across several murals in Chester County
 - viii. Price for the proposed bench (Gateway) is \$9,475.00
 - ix. The Parks Board will consider the updated proposal and will take into consideration the Arts Commission's request for high visibility, as well as follow up with the Parks Foundation for their consideration
 - c. Chase Road (See Public Works report above)
- 5. New Business
 - a. Story Walk at Strafford Library
 - i. The location has changed from Wilson Farm Park to Stratford Library in the lower playground area
 - ii. Public Works will install necessary materials, and maintenance will be funded and managed by the Library
 - b. Bat Houses – Bhavika – Devon Troop 50
 - i. Not present
- 6. Liaisons
 - a. Deer Report – Jami Godfrey
 - i. No report available
 - b. Park Foundation – Patty Copeland
 - i. Meeting is scheduled for 4/
 - c. EAC – Galen Day
 - i. No report available
- 7. Date of next meeting – May 13, 2026, at 7:00 PM
- 8. Good of the Order
 - a. Connor Martin, First Class Scout with the Boy Scouts of America - attending the board meeting as part of the requirements for earning the Citizenship in Community badge
 - b. Liam Martin, Star Scout with the Boy Scouts of America – attending the board meeting as part of the requirements for earning the Citizenship in Community badge
- 9. Chairperson's Comments
 - a. It was announced that Porsha Trisdorfer will not be seeking reappointment at this time. The Board acknowledged and thanked her for her service
 - b. The Heritage tree has been planted at Strafford Park
- 10. Adjournment at **7:51 PM**

The meeting dates for the year were advertised in the 11/20/2025 issue of the Daily Local and the 11/27/2025 issue of the Main Line Suburban. The meeting dates for the year were published on the Township website by 12/31/2025 and were printed in the Township's newsletter 1/31/2026. The agenda was posted on the Township website on 4/02/2026 and at the main entrance to the Township Building on 04/06/2026. Copies of the agenda were made available for the public in attendance at the meeting.