

Park Commission Meeting Borough of Fox Chapel

Monday, September 8, 2025
9:00-11:00 AM

Hybrid Zoom Meeting (In-Person Attendance Encouraged!)

LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82404704137?pwd=8OeeF2xmRntUtypwMVbjqWT5lOSfs.1>

Or Join by Telephone:

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Agenda v1.0

1. Welcome/Opening – Wes
2. Sign-In: Commission Members and Guests
3. Minutes of Last Meeting
4. Public/Residents Questions/Comments/Discussion
5. Park Public Safety
 - a. Parking/Dogs Enforcement – Brief Update - Fox Chapel Police Department
 - b. McCahill Walking Trail – Some early canine violators! – Need signage/enforcement
 - c. Dog Rules/Ordinances Ad Hoc Committee – No activity
 - d. Proposed Crosswalk at Beechwood Farms – Any Update?
 - e. 4-way Stop at Field Club x Hemlock Hollow Roads? – Resident (?) Suggestion
6. **3-Minute Executive Session** in Conference Room re. One Park Commissioner’s Term Renewal
 - a. Recommendation to Borough Council
7. Eagle Scout Projects Update – Wes
 - a. Targeting Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) – Victor White had Eagle Board on 9/3
 - b. Country Day Connector to Riding Meadow Park (Done?)
8. Possible Project, Eagle or Other Volunteers: Update/Analyze FCB Tree Canopy, Update Map
9. Public Works – Larry
 - a. McCahill Park – Construction Schedule, London Plane Trees Update
 - b. Other Project Highlights
 - i. Hardie Valley Park project status
 - ii. Trillium Trail Deer Exclusion Fencing – New vs. Patching
 - iii. Sewer Work and Restoration – Next Phase
 - iv. Park Signage – Implementation of First Stage?
10. DLC Use of Herbicide on Rights-of-Way in FCB Parks – Wes
 - a. Park Commission letter to request post-spray signage in trail/dog areas?
11. Live Well Allegheny Campaign – Wes (Shawn)
 - a. Modified Program Outline + Proposed Ordinance 733 re. Smoking in Parks/Green Spaces
12. Pickleball Rules – Wes
 - a. Questions, but No Complaints
 - b. Players’ Group Inquiry
13. FoxTrot Trail Run 2025 with O’Hara Township– Jeff Cohen
14. Bird Town, Pennsylvania Program – Update and Planned Activities - Carrie
15. Shady Side Academy Project Update – Wes
 - a. SSA is Good Neighbor and Community Partner
16. Volunteer Organized Activities Recap
 - a. McCahill Planting completed
 - b. Hidden Falls FASD Summer School program

17. Delafield Connector Trail
 - a. Incorporate Best Practices from Trail Design Webinar
 - b. Allegheny County Ranger may help us design Delafield Connector Trail
 - c. Collaboration with O'Hara Township & VA Hospital
 - d. Fox Chapel Parks Conservancy may subsidize project (update?)
18. Final Order from 10 Million Trees Program – Update - Melinda
19. Planning and Priorities
 - a. Park Plan Proposal – Update 2006 Plan – Wes
 - i. Open discussion meeting with Jim Pashek (dates/times?)
 - b. Priority Management Program (reflecting Comprehensive Plan elements) – Jeff C.
 - c. Team-Up Commission Calendar – Anyone using? SP Request to Cancel- Wes
20. Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society – Pittsburgh event September 8 (today)
 - a. “Urban Parks and Programs Exchange” (Asked to keep on mailing list)
21. Park Steward Reports from Walks Taken (*Time Permitting*)
 - a. Hidden Falls Park – Jeff B.
 - b. Hardie Valley Park – Carrie
 - c. Riding Meadow Park – Susan, Nick
 - d. Trillium Trail Park and Hill-n-Dale – Melinda
 - e. Scott Park and trail bridges – Jeff C.
 - f. McCahill Park and the Oaks – Steve
 - g. Salamander and Fay Parks – Wes
22. Upcoming Meetings/Events – Wes
 - a. Fox Chapel Light Up Night – Wednesday, December 3, 2025, 6:00-8:30 PM
 - b. Next statutory Park Commission Meeting – Monday, December 8, 2025 at 9:00 AM
23. Adjournment
24. Thank You for Your Support of Fox Chapel Parks!