

Park Commission Meeting Borough of Fox Chapel

Monday, June 9, 2025
9:00-11:00 AM

Hybrid Zoom Meeting (In-Person Attendance Encouraged!)

LINK: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89938645826?pwd=3JJQbEAS2f98UsKahmB7kuKJjJCLIU.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. Dog Rules/Ordinances Ad Hoc Committee – No activity
 - c. Proposed Crosswalk at Beechwood Farms – Suggestion/Request - Wes
6. Fox Chapel Day – Sgt. Sorg (if available) and/or Wes
 - a. Side-by-Side Tents with Fox Chapel Parks Conservancy
 - b. Commission Provide Trail Maps?
 - c. Bird Town Information?
7. Eagle Scout Projects (**sequence may change if visiting from school**) (Wes to fill in as needed)
 - a. Targeting Hemlock Woolly Adelgid (HWA) – Victor White
 - b. Country Day Connector to Riding Meadow Park (ongoing project) – Joshua Lowe
 - c. Open – Josh Nawrocki seeks a project
 - d. Possible Project needing Scout: Update/Analyze FCB Tree Canopy, Update Map
8. Public Works – Larry
 - a. McCahill Park – Construction Schedule Update
 - i. Melinda Comments re. Ponding, Tree base materials
 - b. Other Project Highlights
 - i. Hardie Valley Park project status
 - ii. Sewer Work and Restoration – Riding Meadow and surrounding
 - iii. Park Signage – Preliminary Work with Supplier, Mock-Ups
9. Welcome Garden: Tubes to Netting – Wes + discussion
10. Pickleball Rules – Wes
 - a. Review and Recommend to Council
 - b. Comment re. Ice Rink Use
11. FoxTrot Trail Run 2025 – Jeff Cohen
12. Bird Town, Pennsylvania Program – Update and Planned Activities - Carrie
13. Shady Side Academy Project Update – Wes
 - a. SSA is Good Neighbor and Community Partner
14. Volunteer Organized Activities Recap
 - a. Garlic Pull – May 10
 - b. Oak Seedlings on Ridges – May 24
15. 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
16. Reminder: Sunset of 10 Million Trees Program in Fall, 2025 - Melinda
17. 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? - Wes
18. 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
19. Upcoming Meetings/Events – Wes
- a. Planting in McCahill Park – June 9 (postponed) & 21 (?), 2025 with W. PA Conservancy
 - b. Fox Chapel Day – Saturday, June 14, 2025, 12 Noon-4 PM
 - c. Fox Chapel Garden Club/Penn State Master Gardeners Tour – McCahill Park, Cathy Ravella, June 21, 2025
 - d. Next statutory Park Commission Meeting – Monday, September 8, 2025 at 9:00 AM
 - e. Fox Trot Trail Run (with O'Hara Township) – tbd, 2nd half, September 2025
20. Adjournment
21. Thank You for Your Support of Fox Chapel Parks!