

**Heidelberg Township York County
Recreation Board Meeting Minutes**

March 18, 2025

1. Call to order

February Recreation Board meeting for Heidelberg Township was held on Tuesday March 18, 2025, at the Heidelberg Township Building. The meetings was called to order at 6:00pm by Chairman Mike Myers, those present:

Mike Myers	Dan Wilmot
Justin Fuhrman	James Camilleri
Victoria Senft	Judy Mustard, Manager

And approximately 19 residents/ members of the general public were present.

2. Pledge to Flag

The pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Acknowledgement of a Quorum

A Quorum was present.

4. Public Comment

Renan Castillo - Asked how much research was done before making the motion to Join YMCA of the Roses. He did explain there is material circulated on line that very clearly states what the organization stands for. He is very disappointed they would proceed with joining this organization.

Paul King - He gave out information on the YMCA of the Roses of York to crate some questions and conversation. He is concerned several YMCA programs allow transgender bathrooms and participation in locker rooms. He tried accessing the Spring Grove Rec Park Boards website, It's nonexistent, and took it down. Due to so many unanswered questions he feels we need more time to get more information before a vote. Second, the topic of naming rights. Who will want to sponsor anything when no events are being held yet. He also said the Eagle Scouts that did volunteer projects are not available for naming. He will be asking for plaques for them paid for by the township.

Michelle G.- Since the YMCA has taken over areas in other parks and the Codorus State Park, They bring full busses of people in to Cordorus and the residents of the community can't use the pool due to pool closure of too many people. The people swim in the lake when signs clearly state no swimming! The YMCA programs cause many problems for the park rangers.

Andy Brough - He was a former Board member of the Hanover YMCA, He feels the YMCA does a lot of good for the community. The YMCA has victim abuse programs and daycare for low income families.

Micheal G. - He has not seen enough information to make a decision as of yet. What is the YMCA of the Roses going to do for us and what will be changing?

Lori VanTassel - She has spoken to many citizens in the community. There are many people who are willing to volunteer at events and write grants. She states that her understanding was that the members of the Rec Park Board got on the board to volunteer in the Rec Park. So she is not understanding why they would be wanting to vote to have the YMCA of the Roses take over the park. She stated this organization is one of the 15 of the new American welcoming centers, this is resettlement.

Meg Powell - She stated the Spring Grove School District already partners with the YMCA of the Roses. She doesn't feel they will come from Harrisburg or anywhere else to our park. Meg believes they cannot tell us to have transgender bathrooms.

Lynn Hoff - Is a retired nurse who worked in York City and states they will come from the city if there are free programs. She instructed the board to tread lightly on this decision.

Ali - speaks about the board members applied to be active members of the community and the board should be doing the work, not paying someone to do it for us. Why do we need outside groups coming in ?

Sandy Stine - she doesn't understand the concern about the Spring Grove Rec YMCA . Kate King was here for a wonderful presentation. She doesn't understand why people have come to the meeting to throw darts at the presentation.

Travis Laughman - Asked Lori Vantassel if the Video of the rec park meeting has been up online yet? Lori answered yes, Travis told people to go watch the meeting to listen to Kate King's presentation, Travis states he believes it is a good idea to join the YMCA of the Roses. Paul King states the questions of the transgender bathrooms and other issues were not addressed to Kate King at the meeting.

5. Approval of January 21, and February18, minutes 2025

Dan Wilmot made the motion. Jimmy Camilleri second, Vote passed 5-0

6. Chairman

Dan Wilmot made motion to table the motion of joining the Spring Grove Rec - YMCA of the Roses for 2 months, Jimmy second Voted passed 4-1.

Motion: The Recreation Board would like to recommend to the BOS to allow Heidelberg Township Recreation Association 501c3 sell the naming rights of various structures within the Larry Sterner Memorial Park to pay for the 2026 Spring Grove Regional Park and Rec center fees and build funds, and with that being said, we would also like the 501c3 to present information to the BOS on the breakdown of how there funds are handled before BOS makes their decision. Mike Myers motion , Justin Fuhrman second Motion passes 4-1.

7. Vice Chairman

Justin Furhrman makes motion to move the time of meeting from 6 pm to 7 pm, Mike Myers second , motion failed 2-3

8. Secretary

Dan Wilmot made a motion to approve a Survey with changes, to be taken to the BOS for approval to be put on line. Vickie Senft seconded it motion passed 5-0

Vickie Senft made a motion to ask for an extension of 3 months to give an annual report. Jimmy Camilleri second, motion passed 5-0.

Vickie Senft made a motion to begin working on the Marcellus Shale grant, Dan Wilmot second motion failed 2-3.

9. Motion to Adjourn

Mike Myers make the motion , Dan Wilmot second Passed 5-0
Meeting ended 8:30



