Farmersville/Jackson Township Joint Park Board Meeting

July 6th, 2026, Regular Meeting 7:00 pm

Attendant: Matt Thaxton called meeting to order with Jessica Kurtz, Elyse Martin, and Josh Kohlriser, all accepting.

Next Meeting:

Special Meeting: June 27th at 7pm

Please come out and share your idea of what you would like to see happen to the park/pool area.

Regular Meetings: 1st Monday of every month going forward**: Aug 3rd @ 7pm**

Visitor comments:

Township trustee: Stated that one of his family members went to a splash pad and got hand foot mouth disease. He wants the board to consider this before adding a splash pad into the park area.

Trustee also wanted to know who put the donation bucket out at the pool during the free swim on July 4th. Pool administrator said that one of the pool assistant managers had placed the donation bucket out. The people who came to the free swim were aware that the bucket would be out and to not feel obligated to donate. Trustee said that is like inviting everyone to have breakfast with Santa and putting a boot out asking for donations.

Trustee also stated that there is paint coming off the side of the pool already.

Trustee made the board aware that all board meetings must be posted on official government website. It was known by the park administration that the board was having the meeting. The board will be set for the first Monday of each month at 7pm.

He stated that there are a lot of expenses that have not been updated on our financial sheets that were given. The pool used 800 gallons of propane to heat the pool at $3.00 per gallon, that equals $2400 dollars. There's nothing about chemicals yet, fixing the pool heater was about $7,500.

Board asked why the expenses were not added yet: This is because the expenses are not being taken off the profit and loss, yet it usually does not come off until the end of the year when they can sit down and get a good picture of how well everything went.

The pool had to have a newly rebuilt pump installed and they haven't got the bill yet for that. The other expensive that came out was the removal of the baby pool that was $9,300, the new gate where the baby pool used to be $4,000, the landscaping was $8,900 and there was an All Stars Wrap that was $1,000 the YMC was $1,000 that was for the certification for lifeguards. Those would come off this year's end of year finances.

Community Member: Wanted to know why there was so much money spent on the landscaping around the baby pool. He wanted to know whose idea this was.

It was stated the park administrator was the one who decided that. Community members stated that if we have grass people will go there and if you have plants, it divides that area off and keeps people from using that space.

Trustee stated that he had never seen a public pool that has shrubs on the inside of the gates. Police can't drive by and check the pool he was surprised the health department allowed them to do this.

It was stated by board that it was brought up prior to that to be a play area for children.

Board stated they couldn't speak for the park administrator.

Board President stated that: The things brought up where not added to the financial statement yet. The township's financial officer texted and said there was $5,500 dollars on a Sam's Club Card that has not hit the account yet either. This was for the concessions stand supplies.

Any other visitor comments: No

Need to approve meeting minutes for last two meetings:

Jessica Kurtz made a motion to approve May 26th meeting minutes followed by Matt Thaxton seconding them, Alyse Martin: yes Josh Kohlrieser: yes

Jessica Kurtz made a motion to approve June 6th meeting minutes followed by Matt Thaxton seconding it followed by Josh Kohlrieser and Alyse Martin

Old Business:

- **Pool Manager:** First, they are pleased to have the number of people who have visited the pool most of the categories are up from 2 years ago they are doing a daily pool tracker started July 1st the numbers that came back have been solid from 200 to 280 last week. Sunday, they had 106 and the numbers are by tally marks taken from admission workers, so he said these numbers were on the lower end. There were 233, 238, 276, 379, through the week and 106 people on Sunday with the festivities. He thinks it is going better than they expected they have scaled back hours from 11-8 from June and now 11-7 in July. Aug they will be open 7 days in with hours 11-5, because all sports will be kicking up at the time and he will lose most of his lifeguards to sports. The pool will be closing at 5pm, allowing for the possibility of renting the pool from 5-7 and 7-9.
- **Rentals:** Have been booked out for the season especially on Friday, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- **Heater:** Heater has been off due to the heat wave making the pool hit almost 90 degrees. The water cannot be over the 89-degree mark if it reaches that they must take action to cool down the water due to health code concerns of bacteria and algae growth. If they cannot get the pool water to be lowered within a set amount of time they will have to close the pool. They have not run into this issue yet by backwashing and adding cold fresh water into the pool.
- **Pool Administrators:** His job is to come to us with future projects he thinks will make the pool function better. He does not know what our community is going to do with passing or failing the park/pool levy. He hopes that the levy will pass and

for that to even have a chance to happen we must come up with budget and what we will be fixing or updating with levy money. To make this transparent to the community.

- **Pump House:** The pump house must be updated. The water is turned on by climbing down into a pit and is dangerous. The systems he wants to put in will ensure that the water is soft, won't change your hair color, and it will not use liquid chlorine it will use pallets instead. This helps from leaking and environmental issues.

  He wants to see two changes: One, to have shaded areas added into the sitting area with the cabanas having tarps to create shade with fans to help cool down the area. This would allow the cabanas to be rented out during pool hours and during parties. Two: to add more seating areas with more chairs.

  Pool needs new vacuum: they have a cleaner, but the sensors do not like the sides of the pool. They are hand vacuuming the pool right now and want to purchase a hand vacuum instead. This will cost anywhere from $100 to $500 depending on what we want the vacuum to do.
- **Pool needs for the future:**

1: Splash pad: They have met with someone and are currently getting quotes together. To prevent hand foot mouth the chlorine must be two times more than what a pool requires.

2: Need more refrigerators to store more food they currently have one for their product causing them to make 2-3 trips to Sam's club every week.

3: Need to add a cooling area for the guards. Current area is where the refrigerator is located and two people can only sit. The area is hot and gives the guards no relief after standing in the sun for 45 minutes. He suggested adding a window unit into the current sitting area for now. He needs to ensure the electric can handle the pull of the air conditioner.

They had three guards fall victim to the heat during the heatwave.

4: He suggested putting a band stand in the corner so they can hold concerts next year. He wants to add float movie nights, teen nights, and other activities to draw in more people next year.

5: There is nothing wrong with the speaker systems, they just need a new receiver and antenna. They would also like to be able to purchase XM radio out there for next year since the regular radio is not censored and we are promoting family fun. They currently purchased an adaptor and can play off Spotify, and it is now like a concert out there.

6: They need a new online payment system so they can scan a person's pass, and their picture shows on the screen. This ensures that families are not sharing their passes with everyone else besides the actual pass holders. Suggested using Clover system because it can break down everything from admissions, concessions and profit.

7: The machine now cannot take American Express or Discover Card. The credit card machine went down again this week, and they had to turn down 5 families. Farmersville has delt with the machines going down and the tape misfeeding when this

happens during final reports, they cannot get those reports. This has caused a handicap the entire season.

8: The question that has been asked: Can our communities sustain two pools between Germantown and Farmersville? The answer is yes because they saw evidence of this during the heatwave. Both pools deposited $12,000 dollars each that week. Germantown wouldn't have been able to supply service to all the people that had come to the pool that week and would have had to turn people away.

9: July 1st the pool had 35 community passes used, 65 nonresidents, 87 pass holders, 28 people after 5pm, 2 senior residents, 7 nonresident seniors, 3 Germantown pass holders, and 6 kids under the age of 4.

10: Pool needs their own internet for their radio and credit card services. They had a woman who was teaching a college class and wanted to do it through the pool but couldn't because the internet was not sustainable enough.

11: Lifeguards need to have umbrellas for their guard stands. They have one usable one right now and have no clue where the other ones went.

12: The projector screen is missing, and we cannot locate it for movie nights.

13: The original money lost at the beginning of the year in the amount of $1,800 has been mostly recovered in the amount of $1,000. They do not think they are going to get the rest of the money back.

14: Question: Have they had to fill the fuel tanks up again to heat the pool? The answer was no they have not the tanks where not empty the sensor was just broken. It has been replaced and shows they have fuel left to hopefully finish out the season.

15: The need for a new hand vacuum was motioned for $325.00 by Matt Thaxton and 2nd by Jessica Kurtz followed by Josh Kohlrieser and Elyse Martin.

16: The bathrooms are cleaned every morning and evening. There are only 3 keys for managers to use to get in and out of pool. Jackson Township trustee stated he was out at the pool at 8am and the door was unlocked he walked right in and was saying

17: Dog Swim? Was stated yes at the end of season filters must be turned off. The pool will need to be cleaned afterward.

Park Board:

- Internet is available throughout the park and is used for security cameras. They are currently using Frontier Services for the park however no one knows the password to the internet.
- The board needs to investigate getting better internet for the park and security cameras.

- The park board needs a 5- and 10-year plan with a budget wrote by October for the Jackson Township Trustees.
- Can township and village property be used to advertise the levy? They cannot use taxpayers' money to supply signs or advertisement but can use donated money. They can use the property but are not allowed to use the sign in front of the township building.
- BK baseball tournament went well however the storms didn't help with the pool admissions.
- BK is having another wiffle ball tournament on the 17th and players will get into pool for free, but families will have to pay admission to enter.
- Volleyball Court: still needs to have the sand added to the courts. Park administration is working on this process before September tournament.
- Suggested by Township representative to not only make the budget about the pool but to include the park as well.
- Park board wants to investigate funding for workout areas around park or in a selected area of park.
- Concession stands at ballpark needs updated, 3 compartment sink and be inspected by Montgomery County health department.
- Park board is wanting to get some drinking fountains installed into the park. There are 3 levels to each fount including a dog watering bowl for pets. They will cost up to $8,000 each. We will need to contact EPA to ensure this is allowed.
- Township Trustee said that the walking path will not need to be replaced in the next 10 years only needs to be sealed.

- Park/Pool board are going to set an agenda for next spring/summer for community events program.
- Park/Pool board wants to have a community of native plants and flowers days where the leech fields are to prevent mowing next season.
- Was asked if we could plant more trees in the park.
- Possibility of fishing derby next season.

Metting called to adjourn by Matt Thaxtons followed by Jessica Kurtz, Elyse Martin and Josh Kohlrieser.