



**Thomas Township
Regular Park Commission Meeting Minutes**

8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw, MI 48609

July 27, 2026

6:30 pm

1. The regular commission meeting was called to order at 6:34 p.m. by John Corriveau.

2. PRESENT: Aimar, Alworden, Branch, Hoffman, Rusch, Sova

ABSENT: Blower

ALSO PRESENT: Parks & Recreation Director, John Corriveau; Secretary, Chris Cousins

3. Pledge of Allegiance recited.

4. Prior to the approval of the agenda, John Corriveau requested to add “Haunted Train” under New Business. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Hoffman, seconded by Sova, to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Agenda

THOMAS TOWNSHIP REGULAR PARK COMMISSION MEETING

July 27, 2026

6:30 pm

Public Safety Building

8215 Shields Drive Saginaw, MI 48609

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Agenda
5. Approval of June 22nd, 2026 minutes
6. Approval of July 2026 Expenditures
7. Public Comment
8. Public Hearing
 - a. None
9. New Business
 - a. Pickleball courts policy for use
 - b. Pool RFP sent out for Engineering Proposal.
 - c. Haunted Train

10. Old Business

- a. Swan Valley Little League

11. Reports

- A. Parks Report: Attached
- B. Nature Center Report: Attached
- C. Sports Committee Report: None
- D. Concert Committee Report: None
- E. Finance Committee Report: None
- F. Commissioners:

12. Other Business

13. Adjournment

- 5. Motion made by Rusch, seconded by Aimar, to approve June 22, 2026 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 6. Motion made by Alworden, seconded by Rusch, to approve July 2026 expenditures as presented. Motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Public Comment: Henry Trier, 1376 Glendale, Saginaw Township, addressed the board during the public comment period. Mr. Trier stated that Dylan is doing an excellent job. He noted that railroad ties are available from Freeland for use at the disc golf course. Additionally, he requested that any funds he has personally donated to the municipality be utilized specifically for purchasing trees for the disc golf course.
- 8. Public Hearing: None
- 9. New Business:
 - a. Pickleball courts policy for use: Mr. Monahan requested research into implementing a pickleball court rental policy. The Board held an introductory discussion regarding the feasibility of rentals, potential fee structures, capacity limits, user access controls, and regulation enforcement.

- b. Pool RFP sent out for Engineering Proposal: Following a history of operational issues over the past 20 years, the Board discussed the future of the pool facility. To determine whether to renovate the existing structure or construct a new one, the Board agreed to seek an expert evaluation to outline cost and design options for both approaches.
- c. Haunted Train: John Corriveau presented a proposal to replace the current haunted house attraction with an inflatable haunted maze.

10. Old Business:

- a. Swan Valley Little League: Dave Deline was unable to attend the meeting. In his absence, the committee held a discussion regarding field rentals, establishing that fields may potentially be rented out for practices only, and not for tournament use.

11. Reports:

- a. Parks Report: Attached
- b. Nature Center Report: Attached
- c. Sports Committee Report: None
- d. Concert Committee Report: None
- e. Finance Committee Report: None
- f. Commissioners:

12. Other Business: None

13. Adjournment: Motion made by Aimar, seconded by Dean to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.



Craig Aimar, Secretary

9-29-26

Dated

The next regular Park Commission Meeting will be Monday, August 24, 2026 at the Public Safety Administration Building, 8215 Shields Drive, Saginaw MI 48609.