

City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 1-26-25 5:00PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown PA

Call to Order: 5:23 pm

Roll Call

Greg Rudinsky - present
Kelly Trott - present
Art Hruby - present
LeRoy Townsend - absent
Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

No public comment.

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the previous meeting on 10-20-2024.

November and December 2024 meetings were cancelled. January meeting was postponed one week due to inclement weather.

New Business

Board voted unanimously to approve 2025 farmers market rules and application.

Board voted unanimously to order earned NextTrex bench in the color black.

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, February 16, 2025, at 5:00 pm at City Hall (20 N Gallatin Ave).

**City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 2-16-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown PA**

Call to Order: 5:09 pm

Roll Call

Greg Rudinsky - Present
Kelly Trott - Present
Art Hruby - Present
LeRoy Townsend - Absent
Jeremiah Farrell - Absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

No public comment.

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the previous meeting on 1-26-2025.

New Business

Discussion

Earned NexTrex bench has arrived and is stored at a board member's home until a placement location is determined.

Board discussed plans for the upcoming farmers market.

Meeting adjourned at 6:04 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 16, 2025, at 5:00 pm at City Hall (20 N Gallatin Ave).

City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 3-16-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown PA

Call to Order 5:12 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:

Greg Rudinsky - present
Kelly Trott - present
Art Hruby - present
LeRoy Townsend - present
Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the previous meeting on 2-16-2025.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

Voted unanimously to make an exception for vendor Oliva Plus to participate as a vendor for the 2025 Farmers Market due to the following:

- prior involvement and participation in the market
- documented interest in the product
- absence of any other local vendor for the same or similar product

Voted unanimously to make an exception for the Uniontown Public Library to participate as a vendor for the 2025 Farmers Market due to the following:

- library is an entity of the City of Uniontown

The board unanimously expressed the need for consistent routine maintenance such as trash collection at all city parks year-round. Primary safety concerns at this time include the need for a barricade of some sort on the walkway at Bailey Park to prevent cars from driving through the playground area and the need for repair of a bridge feature on the play structure at Bailey Park. Other safety concerns include tree care at Marshall Park.

The board discussed the need for guidance from city council to possibly be able to receive funds such as donations or vendor fees for the 2026 farmers market.

Meeting adjourned at 6:38 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 20, 2025, at 5:00 pm at City Hall.

**City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 5-18-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA**

Call to Order 5:12 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:
Greg Rudinsky - absent
Kelly Trott - present
Art Hruby - present
LeRoy Townsend - present
Jeremiah Farrell - present

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the previous meeting on 3-16-2025. Meeting scheduled for 4-20-2025 was cancelled.

Public Comment

Karen Ransaw shared an interest in youth vendor participation in the farmers market. The board shared that youth vendors are not outlined in the current farmers market rules, but may be considered in the future.

New Business

Voted unanimously to approve live music at the 2025 farmers market with the following parameters:

- musicians subject to the board's discretion (individual or small group with no drums)
- equipment is provided by musician(s)
- clean language

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, June 22, 2025, at 5:00 pm at City Hall.

City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 7-20-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA

Call to Order 5:12 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:

Kelly Trott - present

Arther Hruby - present

LeRoy Townsend - present via phone

Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Gregory Rudinsky - absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

- Board voted unanimously to approve minutes from the previous meeting on 5-18-2025. The meeting scheduled for 6-15-2025, was cancelled.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

-Board and council were notified of Chairman Greg Rudinsky's request for resignation from the board 7-19-2025. The board discussed seeking guidance from city council regarding appointing a new chair and a new member to the board.

-The board discussed the need for year-round garbage pickup at city parks and agreed to formally request that city council clarify who is responsible for providing the service.

-Another concern discussed was dogs off-leash in city parks, and perhaps the need for signage.

-The board discussed the community interest in rejuvenating the courts at Bailey Park to allow for pickleball, tennis, and basketball.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2025.

**City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 8-17-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA**

Call to Order 5:07 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:
Kelly Trott - present
Arther Hruby - present
LeRoy Townsend - absent
Jeremiah Farrell - present
Gregory Rudinsky - absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

- The board voted unanimously to approve the minutes from the previous meeting on 7-20-2025.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

No agenda items.

The board:

- decided to request that former chair Greg Rudinsky's resignation be approved at the council's next meeting before proceeding with filling the vacant seat.
- discussed the continued concern for the lack of year-round garbage pickup and maintenance at city parks.
- continues to be concerned about the broken bridge on the playground at Bailey Park that needs repair. Local landscape architect Ellen Ulmer, who assisted with the original installation of the playground, volunteered to obtain a quote from the playground company for repair (\$9,476.37).
- would like to revisit the plan for the installation of three benches provided by the Lions Club and an additional bench earned by the board through the NexTrex challenge.
- would like to revisit a possible collaboration with HARC baseball for the use of baseball fields at Bailey Park.
- is interested in having a bank account or is in need of understanding how to contribute to a parks and rec fund due to community interest in making donations, the opportunity to fundraise to help facilitate playground activities and playground improvements, and the potential for park activities to generate revenue.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:32 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2025.

City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 9-21-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA

Call to Order 5:05 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:

Kelly Trott - present

Arther Hruby - present

LeRoy Townsend - absent

Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Additional Participants:

Mayor Bill Gerke

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

- The board did not have a quorum and was unable to approve the minutes from the previous meeting on August 17, 2025.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

No agenda items.

The board:

- discussed proceeding with a new board member with the mayor. Mayor suggested letters of interest collected at city hall should be presented to the board for the board to make a recommendation to council.
- has been notified of board member LeRoy Townsend's intent not to seek reappointment after his term expires 10/5/25.
- discussed the continued concern for the lack of year-round garbage pickup and maintenance at city parks. Heavier, more stationary garbage cans are suggested as resources allow, as plastic ones have been observed to blow or tip over.
- continues to be concerned about the broken bridge on the playground at Bailey Park that needs repair. Roping off in some way and/or bridge removal were suggested.
- has one more NexTrex bench available for placement and is continuing to collect plastic for another bench.
- shared community discussion of a possible indoor market in the off-season in which the board can assist in its transition, but ultimately will not oversee.
- is requesting a meeting to address questions related to collecting vendor fees for the 2026 farmers market if council intends for the board to oversee the farmers market and collect vendor fees.
- discussed possible change in board meeting time in the future to accommodate everyone.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for October 19, 2025.

**City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 10-19-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA**

Call to Order 5:05 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:

Kelly Trott - present

Arther Hruby - present

Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

- The board did not have a quorum and was unable to approve the minutes from the previous meetings, 8-17-25 and 9-21-25.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

The board:

- reviewed letters of interest received for board member vacancy. Board recommends council appoint Mike McClintok to the Parks and Recreation Board.
- will advertise for an additional board member vacancy.
- discussed the continued concern for the lack of year-round garbage pickup and maintenance at all city parks. Heavier, more stationary garbage cans are suggested as resources allow, as plastic ones have been observed to blow or tip over. Some needed repairs observed include the broken bridge on Bailey Park playground equipment (roping off in some way and/or bridge removal was suggested), and the bent basketball hoop at Bailey Park.
- has a NexTrex bench available for placement and is continuing to collect plastic for another bench.
- is requesting a meeting to address questions related to collecting vendor fees for the 2026 farmers market if council intends for the board to oversee the farmers market and collect vendor fees.
- discussed possible change in board meeting time in the future to accommodate everyone.
- discussed the ongoing need for some sort of barrier to prevent cars from driving through the park near the concession stand.
- discussed a suggestion from a community member to add lighting to the Bailey Park section of the Sheepskin Trail as South Union Township has recently added trail lighting.
- discussed adding a pet waste station to the Bailey Park section of the Sheepskin Trail.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:00 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for November 16, 2025.

**City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 11-16-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA**

Call to Order 5:05 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:

Kelly Trott - present

Arther Hruby - present

Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Additional Participants:

Mayor Bill Gerke

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

- The board did not have a quorum and was unable to approve the minutes from the previous meetings, 8-17-25, 9-21-25, and 10-19-25.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

The board:

did not receive any letters of interest for a board vacancy and is extending the deadline until December 19 to accept letters of interest.

-discussed the continued concern for the lack of year-round garbage pickup and maintenance at all city parks.

-discussed the continued need for repair of the broken bridge on Bailey Park playground equipment (roping off in some way and/or bridge removal was suggested) and the needed repair of the basketball hoop at Bailey Park.

-has a NexTrex bench available for placement and is continuing to collect plastic for another bench.

-is requesting a meeting to address questions related to collecting vendor fees for the 2026 farmers market if council intends for the board to oversee the farmers market and collect vendor fees.

-discussed possible change in board meeting time in the future to accommodate everyone.

-discussed a suggestion from a community member to add lighting to the Bailey Park section of the Sheepskin Trail as South Union Township has recently added trail lighting.

-discussed possible Community Play Dates involving pick-up games with the request to have restrooms available.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for December 19, 2025.

**City of Uniontown Parks and Recreation Board
Regular Monthly Meeting
Sunday 12-21-25 5:00 PM
Council Chambers – City Hall, 20 N. Gallatin Ave, Uniontown, PA**

Call to Order 5:06 pm

Roll Call

Board member participants:

Kelly Trott - present

Arther Hruby - present

Jeremiah Farrell - absent

Mike McClintock - present

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Accept Previous Meeting Minutes

- The board did not approve the minutes from the previous meetings when the board did not have a quorum (8-17-25, 9-21-25, 10-19-25, and 11-16-25) in order to seek clarification if a new board member could approve minutes for when a new board member was not present.

Public Comment

No public comment.

New Business

Voted unanimously to recommend council appoint Wyatt Olson to the Parks and Recreation Board.

Voted unanimously to request council approve the Parks and Recreation Board to host the Uniontown Farmers Market at Bailey Park from May 30 - September 26, 2026.

The board:

- discussed the continued concern for the lack of year-round garbage pickup and maintenance at all city parks.
- discussed the continued need for repair of the broken bridge on Bailey Park playground equipment (roping off in some way and/or bridge removal was suggested) and the needed repair of the basketball hoop at Bailey Park.
- has a NexTrex bench available for placement and is continuing to collect plastic for another bench.
- is requesting a meeting to address questions related to collecting vendor fees for the 2026 farmers market if council intends for the board to oversee the farmers market and collect vendor fees.
- discussed possible change in board meeting time in the future to accommodate everyone.
- discussed possible Community Play Dates involving pick-up games.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 6:41 pm. Next meeting is scheduled for January 18, 2026.