

Mulmur Parks Advisory Committee (MPAC) Minutes Aug 28, 2025 3:30 PM

Present: Emerson Pendleton, Chair

Andrew Cunningham Gavin Longmuir Mandy Little

Chris Wolnik – Secretary

Regrets: Krista Harley

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Longmuir

That the agenda be approved.

Carried.

3. <u>Previous Meetings Minutes</u>

Moved by Pendleton and Seconded by Cunningham

That the minutes of April 29, 2025 be approved.

Carried.

4. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests</u> – None

5. New Business

5.1 Mulmur Parks Advisory Committee (MPAC)Terms of Reference

Members noted that with recent changes at the Mansfield Minor Ball association there isn't currently an MPAC member representing that organization. A request will be made to Mansfield Minor Ball to provide an individual to become an MPAC member. The members requested receiving a copy of the Recreation Efficiency Study referenced in the Terms of Reference,

5.2 Mansfield Community Park

Site Visit: Members gather at the park.

Fall Maintenance: Members requested the following:

- Lower the players benches by adding more dirt or gravel
- Reset home plate and the pitchers mound
- Reverse the pitching warm-up mound and add additional screening if possible

Lighting and other major renovations: Members discussed opportunities for baseball parks as a part of a potential new school development in Mansfield. The committee discussed the merits of producing a workplan to help guide priorities over the next few years.

5.3 Thomson Trail Park

Site Visit: Members walked the entire park

Parking Lot update: Members reviewed the parking lot as it was staked and ready for excavation.

Capital project- paved walking path and outdoor exercise equipment. Members reviewed the proposed exercise equipment and discussed location options.

Lines- Basketball court. Members expressed concerns that line painting contractor didn't remove the weeds before applying lines.

Pickleball court update. Members learned of the concerns brought forward by a pickleball court user on the need for wheels to stay on the net to ensure they are regulation height.

Fall Maintenance: Members requested the following:

- Trimming of tree limbs encroaching the walking path,
- Removal of weeds in between concrete on the basketball court particularly before the winter ice rink is installed.
- Removal of fallen leaves once colder weather sets in.

5.4 Maes Cres Park

Site Visit: Members walked the park.

Spring Maintenance: Noted that some tree work has occurred and picnic tables have not been placed within the park yet.

Other: None

5.5 Violet Hill Park

Members learned of the feedback from the Bruce Trail – director of Land -Owner relationships. The park had some trails that appeared to be upkept to some degree. A park sign would be beneficial.

5.6 Honeywood Park

Cobstock. Members learned more about the Aug 31 event organized by the North of 89 alliance which will host activities on the ball diamond., grounds and in the arena.

Blue Jays Grant renovations-timing. Members were informed about the scheduled upgrades that will begin this Fall. It is expected a grand re-opening of the ball diamond will occur in the Spring of 2026

6. <u>Items for Future Meetings</u>

6.1 2026 Dominion Day Ball Tournament. Some preliminary discussion about hosting a senior men's ball All -star game on June 20, 21, July 4 or 11, 2026 as well as hosting a 3-pitch tournament.

7. Adjournment

Moved by Longmuir and Seconded by Cunningham

That the Mansfield Parks Committee adjourns the meeting at 5:10 p.m. to meet again on Thurs, November 13, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. online or at the call of the Chair.

		Carried
Chair	Secretary	