



**Mansfield Parks Advisory  
Committee (MPAC) Minutes  
Nov 13, 2025 5 PM**

Present: Emerson Pendleton - Chair  
Andrew Cunningham  
Krista Harley  
Gavin Longmuir (joined at 5:07 PM)  
Mandy Little  
Chester Tupling  
Tina Walsh  
Chris Wolnik- Secretary

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

**2. Approval of the Agenda**

**Moved by Cunningham and Seconded by Walsh.**

That the agenda be approved.

**Carried.**

**3. Previous Meetings Minutes**

**Moved by Pendleton and Seconded by Cunningham**

That the minutes of August 28, 2025 be approved.

**Carried.**

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests – None declared**

**5. New Business**

**5.1 2025 Budget Overview**

The key parks related budget items included:

- Mansfield Ball Diamond: Bleacher box installation, pitching mound rehab, fencing, parking lot improvements.
- Thompson Trail: Discussion on gazebo and washroom options (budget dependent, potential Trillium grant). The thought being that using an

outside funding source could potentially reduce the impact on the budget and tax rate.

- o Maes Crescent Park: Tree removal prioritized for 2026

## 5.2 Mansfield Community Park

Pitching mound clinic completed with Public Works staff now having experience in re-building pitching mounds and wing with clay. Other work planned for completion before the end of 2025 includes conduit installation for an electrical connection for pitching machines. Discussion confirmed the need for signage along the outfield fence confirming distance and tree trimming of overhead branches extending into outfield which impacts the flight of the ball.

Further discussion was held on exploring liability concerns for Mansfield diamond (netting along 3<sup>rd</sup> base). with foul balls making it to Airport Rd. There is also interest in developing a longer-term plan that would identify needs and timelines. There may be opportunities to integrate the longer-term plan with the Township's Recreational Master plan which will be updated in 2026.

## 5.3 Thomson Trail Park

Thompson Trail paved path completed in Oct 2025. Outdoor exercise equipment installation scheduled for April 2026 installation as there was a delay in receiving the equipment from the supplier. Reviewed the preparations for the upcoming rink installation. Discussed Ice rink volunteer recruitment and request of Township staff to assist with communicating the need. Discussed lighting concerns of the parking lot.

## 5.4 Maes Cres Park

As noted, tree removal and possible picnic tables were discussed.

## 5.5 Violet Hill Park

Park sign was installed in Oct 2025. Minimal trail maintenance required.

## 5.6 Honeywood Park

**Blue Jays Grant renovations.** Dugouts and bleachers installed; infield work pending; discussion on fencing,

**Park.** Discussion on re-re-orientating benches that face southwest or adding a bench to face north to limit sun issues. Adding garbage bins, a fence to contain park users and a pavilion potentially for the future.

**5.7 Mulmur’s 175th Anniversary:**

Discussion on July 4th (with July 5<sup>th</sup> as rain date) All-Star game and potential 3-pitch tournament (Mandy to coordinate separately). Mandy unable to commit to July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend as she will be away. There may be other weekends to target for the 3-pitch tournament. Further discussion will occur in the new year.

**6. Items for Future Meetings**

- 3-pitch tournament
- Developing a longer-term plan for potential park improvements

**7. Adjournment**

**Moved by Harley and Seconded by Cunningham**

That the Mansfield Parks Committee adjourns the meeting at 5:52 p.m. to meet again on Tues, March 10, 2026 at 5 p.m. online or at the call of the Chair.

**Carried.**

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**Chair**

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**Secretary**