

EASTERN DELAWARE COUNTY JOINT RECREATION DISTRICT
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2025

Call to Order

Halli Watson called the Eastern Delaware County Joint Recreation District meeting to order on Tuesday, November 3, 2025 at 6:00 p.m. inside the City of Sunbury Council Chambers.

Roll Call

Those answering roll included Mr. Greg Elliott, Ms. Jody Greiger Ms. Halli Watson, Mr. Todd Musacchio, Mr. Bernie Kooi, and Ms. Maria Sobota. Others in attendance included Sunbury City Administrator Daryl Hennessy.

Minutes

Motion by Mr. Kooi to approve the minutes from October 6, 2025, as amended and seconded by Ms. Watson, Upon roll, 5 yeas minutes. Mr. Elliott abstained.

Visitors

There were no visitors who wished to speak.

Unfinished Business

Sophia Lanza with Pizzuti Solutions provided an update on the Community Recreation Center Needs Assessment and Market Analysis, noting ongoing coordination through bi-weekly meetings with Daryl, input from the steering committee, and board member interviews. Public engagement is underway with a community survey distributed online to gather feedback on recreation habits, desired amenities, and willingness to support a facility, with additional outreach planned as needed. Upcoming site visits to comparable facilities are scheduled for November 10, 2025, and the first public workshop will be held November 12, 2025, at Berkshire Township Hall.

Keith Hall with MSA led a discussion on the Community Workshop Planning and Public Participation Strategy. He outlined engagement methods including public workshops, online surveys, focus groups, and optional pop-up outreach to ensure broad participation. The first workshop is scheduled for November 12, 2025, to introduce the project and gather initial input, followed by a second session in early 2026 to engage residents in hands-on design activities, and a third in spring 2026 to present refined concepts and cost estimates, with a potential fourth workshop if additional feedback is needed. Each workshop will be paired with an online survey to mirror in-person activities. Participation goals include 50–70 attendees per workshop and 150–200 total survey responses, with promotion through local websites, utility bills, and social media. Board members discussed outreach logistics, emphasizing inclusivity for schools, seniors, and sports groups, while confirming the project remains on its six-month timeline.

Rick Stein with the Urban Decision Group presented market data and mapping context to support future engagement efforts. His portion focused on demographic trends, drive-time analysis, and growth areas that will inform upcoming community workshops, particularly those related to site selection and public discussions. He emphasized that this data will be used to guide informed, data-driven conversations as the feasibility study progresses.

Information

Mr. Hennessy provided an update on the 2025 budget, noting that expenditures through October remain within budget and consultant fees for Pizzuti are current. He reported that the City of Sunbury's 2026 proposed budget includes a \$50,000 allocation for the JRD, consistent with township contributions. Mr. Hennessy also reviewed the preliminary 2026 budget draft, which reflects prior board discussions, and noted that formal adoption will occur at the December meeting.

Discussion took place between Mr. Hennessy and the Board regarding upcoming meetings and the special community meeting. The first Community Workshop is scheduled for November 12, 2025, at Berkshire Township Hall, followed by the next regular meeting on December 1, 2025, at 6:00 p.m., to adopt the 2026 budget. Ms. Sobota may attend remotely if traveling. The Board confirmed that the November 12 meeting will begin with a roll call and quorum check, after which the floor will be turned over to the Pizzuti team for public engagement. A brief public comment period will follow the presentation, and the meeting will adjourn immediately afterward, with minutes to be presented at the December meeting.

Adjournment

There being no further business for the Board, **Mr. Kooi** moved to adjourn the meeting, and it was seconded by **Mr. Elliott**. The motion was approved 6-0.