

**Looking For a Place to Exercise and Enjoy Nature?**

Currently underway is the development of the **Airport Road Recreation Area**.

This 15 acre site will include parking, a walking path, nature trail, tot lot, and pavilion.

Future plans could include more pavilions and a pet park.

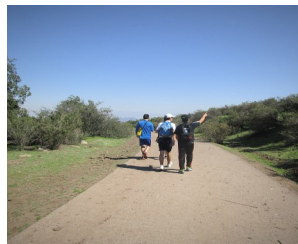
Members of the Recreation Board, Environmental Advisory Council and the community have been working some weekends to clear brush so heavy equipment can enter once bids have been secured.



The Board is currently seeking grants from the State to help with their projects and they have also joined the municipalities of Marion and Tulpehocken Townships, Berks County, to assess recreation opportunities through the development of a joint *Comprehensive Recreation, Park, Open Space and Greenway Plan*. As part of the planning project an online survey has been developed to assess residents' opinions for parks and recreation within the communities. Please follow the link to complete the survey. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/P9SFR96>

Paper copies of the survey are also available at the Bethel Library, Bethel Post Office and the Bethel Township building.

Your opinion is important and will help to guide the planning process for the townships. Thank you for taking the time to participate. Results of the survey will be posted on the Township website in early fall.



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## **ABOUT THE BOARD:**

Bethel Township formed a Recreation Board in 2006 to acquire and develop land for recreational use. The Recreation Board is a five-member board with two alternates appointed by the Board of Supervisors. Members of this committee serve staggered five (5) year terms.

It is an advisory body to the Board of Supervisors and the Planning Commission in matters regarding development of all recreational areas within the Township.

The Recreation Board reviews all applications for subdivision and land development and gives their recommendations to the Planning Commission and the Board of Supervisors regarding open space issues and recreational areas. Established fees from commercial and residential land development within the Township provide funds that are used in the acquisition and planning of recreational facilities and activities.

The goal of this committee is to preserve as much open space as possible, in order to provide appealing parks and recreational areas for the residents of the community.

The Board meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM in the township building. Meetings are open to the public.



## **ACCOMPLISHMENTS:**

### \* *Home Town Hero Banners*



### \* **Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony**

Participants:

- Cub Scouts & Girl Scouts
- Teen Challenge Choir
- Tulpehocken High School Band

The area for the Christmas tree has been generously donated by Bressler's Service Center

The trees have been donated by Johnson's tree farm



- \* **Support Police and Fire companies with "National Night Out" campaign**
- \* **Frystown playground remodeling**
- \* **Airport Road Recreation Area currently being developed**

## **FRYSTOWN PLAYGROUND**

The Frystown Playground Association transferred ownership of the Frystown playground to Bethel Township.

The Recreation Board fund, along with generous donations from residents and businesses, was used to remodel the Frystown playground including new equipment, a grille, bike rack, benches and garbage cans.

The ballfield was recently reworked with new Diamond-Tex.

When funds become available, additional improvements to the playground hope to include a new pavilion and rest rooms.

