

Regular Meeting Monday, March 9, 2026 at 7 p.m.

**ALLENTOWN MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

8 N. MAIN STREET  
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**Parks + Public Spaces Committee**

**Minutes**

March 9, 2026

1. **Call to Order** was made by Will Borkowski at 7:02 p.m.
2. **SALUTE GO THE FLAG** was made by Chairman Will Borkowski.
3. **Compliance Statement** read by Secretary Barb Pleva.
4. In compliance with the "Open Public Meetings Act", Chapter 231, PL. 1975, Section 5, adequate notice has been given of this meeting by posting a Notice in a public place on the front door of Borough Hall, on the Borough's website Allentown Boro N-J dot com, the Borough's Facebook page, the Borough's Twitter account and by placing a Notice to two newspapers, THE TIMES and the ASBURY PARK PRESS as required by law.
5. **Roll Call** was performed by Barb Pleva:

	Present	Absent	Absence Excused
Barb Pleva	X		
Will Borkowski	X		
Cheryl Willois	x		
Terry Brown	x		
Bill Cotte			x
Diane Sterner	x		
Lorian Delman	x		
BC Liaison Nikki Darling	X		
	x		

**6. Approval of Minutes:**

-Motion to approve January minutes: Cheryl Willois. motion and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lorian Delman,  
Minutes approved unanimously.

**7. Public participation is limited to three minutes:**

Keith Clayton  
5 Coates Rd  
Allentown, NJ:

Field of Flight FOUNDATION states that there is now 33 acre of preserved land and want more to be added.

Eastern Blue birds are behind mill right now in a total of 4 nest boxes. Keith is willing to provide an additional 10 free nest boxes. There will be properly train residents to monitor boxes.

It is Keith's opinion that wren's will be indicator species and checking nests for type of bedding will determine which are wren nests. Protecting natural habitats can enhance wren dispersal and overall survival rates. Wrens prefer dense vegetation and shrubby areas for nesting and foraging.

8. Water plant is being worked on; they remove evergreens that were planted haphazardly. Maybe we can replace them.

Diane proposed a light at Lakeview Park be changed to motion sensor.

**9. Updates from Committee/Commission Liaisons on items relating to Parks & Public Spaces**

**Nikki Darling** -Borough Council Building & Grounds Committee & DPW

Hopefully parks will open soon after being closed due to bird flu.

Lost a lot of trees

Need assessment of trees needing to be removed by DPW. We need a list of Trees to be watered by DPW.

Beacon lights coming soon.

Researching on the feasibility of a solar farm at plant.

EV stations are moving forward near Mia's Salon.

**Barb Pleva** – Recreation Commission

No January meeting

**Terry Brown** –Tree Commission

Tree city was approved by state waiting for national approval.

Nursery agreed for residents to purchase trees at cost.

Planting a liberty tree (ELM)

**Will Borkowski** – Historic Preservation Commission

The old Burial Ground Cemetery sign will be relocated pending ongoing negotiations regarding an easement & dumpster relocation.

Bill Cotte – Environmental Commission

**Motion to Adjourn** by \_ Lorian Delman and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cheryl Willois: Adjourned @ 7:54 p.m.