



# New Britain Township

## Park & Recreation Board

### MEETING MINUTES JANUARY 20, 2026

A meeting of the New Britain Township Park and Recreation Board was held on January 20, 2026, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, Pa, beginning at 7:03 p.m. In attendance were Jessica Young, Marco Tustanowsky, Nancy Jones, James Ivers, Brooke Newborn, and Bridget Kunakorn. Also, in attendance were Bill May, and Susan Gelb, New Britain Township Staff.

### Reorganization

**Appointment of Temporary Chair:** Jessica Young nominated Marco Tustanowsky, seconded by James Ivers, and unanimously carried.

Marco Tustanowsky called for nominations for Chair and Vice Chair: Nancy Jones nominated Jessica Young for Chair, seconded by Marco Tustanowsky, and unanimously carried.

Marco Tustanowsky nominated Brooke Newborn for Vice-Chair, seconded by Jessica Young, and carried unanimously.

Nominations closed.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from November 18, 2025:** A motion was made by Brooke Newborn, seconded by James Ivers, and carried unanimously, the November 18, 2025, minutes were approved as written.
- 2. Santa House Recap:** Sue Gelb informed the Parks and Recreation Committee that the Santa House went well, with only a few minor unforeseeable issues. Sue Gelb handed out all suggestions regarding the event, pros and cons were discussed concerning the location for 2026. Further improvements and security concerns will be discussed in future meetings relevant to the event.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by James Ivers, seconded by Marco Tustanowsky, and carried unanimously to keep the event at North Branch Park for December 2026.

- 3. Easter Event:** Sue Gelb informed the Board that the Easter Event will be held on Saturday March 28th. All easter eggs have been ordered and received. The event will be canceled if it cannot be held outside due to fire code concerns, unless another location or solution can be agreed upon which are to be further discussed at the February meeting.



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The Park and Recreation Committee has recommended clearance checks for any volunteers outside of the New Britain Township staff and Board members.

#### 4. Other Business:

##### LV Baseball Spring Tournament:

Bill May informed the Park and Recreation Board that Lenape Valley Baseball is requesting approval to host their Spring Tournament at North Branch Park on March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> respecting the annual Egg Hunt on the 28<sup>th</sup> and no activity will take place prior to 12:30pm on Saturday March 28<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION:** A motion was made by Marco Tustanowsky, Seconded by James Ivers, and carried unanimously to allow LV Baseball to host there Spring Tournament at North Branch Park.

Bill May informed all present of the plans for moving forward with the Tot Lot and Pavilion #1 at North Branch Park.

#### 5. Public Comment: None

#### 6. Adjournment:

- **Motion:** A motion was made by Brooke Newborn and seconded by James Ivers and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

  
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Jessica Young, Chairperson

  
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William May, Parks &  
Recreation Coordinator

**Next meeting – February 17, 2026**