



New Britain Township

Park & Recreation Board

MEETING MINUTES

May 12, 2026

A Meeting of the New Britain Township Park and Recreation Board was held on May 12, 2026, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, Pa., and with the use of the Zoom Video Conferencing Platform, beginning at 7:02 p.m. In attendance were Jessica Young, Nancy Jones, Brooke Newborn, James Ivers, William Jones, and Bridget Kunakorn. Also, in attendance were Bill May, and Susan Gelb, New Britain Township Staff

1. **Approval of Minutes from March 17, 2026:** A motion was made by James Ivers seconded by Brooke Newborn the March 17, 2026, minutes were approved as written.
2. **Recap of Easter Egg Hunt Event :** Sue Gelb informed all present that the egg hunt was successful, all prizes were claimed, and stated all volunteers were a tremendous help. Recommendations were made to replace bunny suit and corresponding costumes. All empty recycled eggs were given to Windmill day camp. The recommendation to reinstate the rain date made with dates TBD.
 - **Motion:** A motion was made by Brooke Newborn seconded by James Ivers the rain date for the event is reinstated.
3. **Fourth of July Event Planning :** Brooke Newborn and Jessica Young will be two of the judges. Joe Ceccola, the manager of the Chase Bank in New Britain, will be our Parade MC. Robert Showalter is the Parade Marshal and Nancy Jones and Bill Jones have identified two potential Junior Parade Marshals. Staff is still looking for bands, local sports teams, businesses and more to participate. James Ivers will reach out to his contacts at CB West and East for possible participation. Parking/exiting at North Branch Park before and after the Parade directions will be included in the participants staging packets, to be sent out 1-2 week prior to the Parade. Staff needs as many volunteers as possible in the staging area.
4. **Reinstate Movie Night :** Sue Gelb presented the approval from the Board of Supervisors to the Parks and Recreation Board to reinstate movie night as a reoccurring event. All present unanimously agreed to reinstate movie night. Time TBD later with fall months suggested for earlier start times.
5. **Other Business:** Nancy Jones requested that the Supervisor liaisons address Board of Supervisors to reconsider reinstating junior board members.

Sue Gelb asked all present to consider the possibilities of making Santa House event one night with extended times, along with more activities.



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6. **Public Comment:** None

7. **Adjournment:**

- **Motion:** A motion was made by Brooke Newborn and seconded by James Ivers and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jessica Young, Chairperson



William May, Parks &
Recreation Coordinator

Next meeting – June 16 , 2026