



New Britain Township

Park & Recreation Board

MEETING MINUTES

March 19, 2024

A Meeting of the New Britain Township Park and Recreation Board was held on March 19, 2024, at the Township Administration Building, 207 Park Avenue, New Britain Township, Pa., and with the use of the Zoom Video Conferencing Platform, beginning at 7:04 p.m. In attendance were Jessica Young, Marco Tustanowsky, Nancy Jones, Brooke Newborn and William Jones. Also, in attendance was Bill May New Britain Township Staff.

- 1. Approval of Minutes from February, 2024:** A motion was made by Marco Tustanowsky seconded by Nancy Jones and carried unanimously the February 20, 2024, minutes were approved as written.
- 2. Easter Event:** Bill May asked the Board to make a vote to move the event indoors based on the predicted forecast, for March 23rd. The Parks and Recreation Board voted unanimously to relocate the event indoors, the volunteer list for the event was confirmed and updated accordingly. Several decorations and costumes would be generously donated by Kathi Sexton. Bill May also suggested the possibility of reinstating a rain date for the event.

3. Other Business:

Update for Parks and Recreation Committee Members:

Brooke Newborn has been appointed to the Parks and Recreation Committee as a voting board member at The Board of Supervisors meeting on Monday evening March 18th.

Bill May informed the Board that at the January 4th executive meeting of The Board of Supervisors passed a resolution that eliminated all advisory members, and junior members to Township sub-committees. He also mentioned that this information was given to him after the February meeting had taken place.

Marco Tustanowsky questioned the logic behind the elimination of the advisory members and junior members. Bill Jones explained that anyone could be part of the meetings as public, but it was to be kept as the five basic voting board members. Marco Tustanowsky emphasized on the importance of both advisory members who could move up as voting board members and that junior members give a youth perspective on the parks, and an experience that can go on college applications and scholarship applications, Nancy Jones agreed. Bill Jones explained that the new Board of Supervisors wants to be the ones who appoint new members to the Committees, and it would no longer be voted on by the perspective Committee Board



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- **Motion:** A motion was made by Marco Tustanowsky, seconded by Nancy Jones, and carried unanimously for reinstatement of Advisory and Junior Parks and Recreation Committee members.

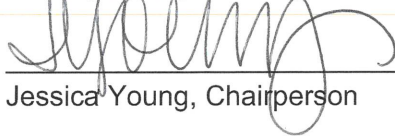
4. Public Comment: None

There was no public comment. In attendance was Mr. Terry Young, who is the Vacancy Board Chair. He was there only to familiarize himself with the various Township committees and their meetings. Brooke Newborn asked him to explain what the Vacancy Board entails. Mr. Young and Bill Jones informed everyone that if for any reason a supervisor cannot finish their term and there is a conflict between the four remaining Supervisors appointing a new one, he is then able to cast his vote to break a split decision.

5. Adjournment:

- **Motion:** A motion was made by Jessica Young and seconded by Brooke Newborn and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 7:24 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jessica Young, Chairperson



William May, Parks &
Recreation Coordinator

Next meeting – April 16, 2024