

# April 7, 2026 Bristol Park Board meeting

This document summarizes the Bristol Town Hall Park Board meeting from April 7, 2026.

## Key Decisions:

- Approved continuing the pickleball court reservation app (\$1,688 annually) with monthly usage monitoring
- Approved memorial plaque project for deceased Bristol residents (up to \$4,000)
- Selected five tree species for Congdon Park: white oak, black gum, red maple, eastern hemlock, and basswood
- Approved removal of three black locust trees near playground due to safety concerns

## Major Updates:

- Online pavilion reservation system launched, allowing digital booking and payment (\$200 rental fee)
- Community garden producing early harvests (lettuce, turnips, radish, peas) for pantry supply within next month
- Mural proposal for Herman's Park pavilion by artist Ashley Feller (\$25-35/sq ft)
- Park Board appointment clarification: members appointed by Town Clerk per ordinance Section 293

## Pending Items:

- Tree pricing and availability quotes from Eric
- Contractual services budget breakdown (32% spent, \$5,431)
- Memorial plaque design details and family interest assessment
- Decision on funding source for pickleball app (park funds vs. endowment)

**Action Items:** Include tree procurement, equipment purchases, budget reporting, social media promotion, and coordination with Master Gardeners for Herman's Park plantings.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 6:00 PM at Town Hall.