

MINUTES OF PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING
TOWN OF PERRY DANE COUNTY, WISCONSIN
March 27 2018
Perry Town Hall

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:50 P.M. by Chairman, Doug King. Present were Kay Watson, Gerhard Leutschwager, Jeff Kahl and Michele Kittleson. Also present were Town residents, Margaret Berg and Linda Blushke.

2. Doug announced that the Town Board approved the picnic table, the halfway benches, and the hiking trail signs. The Commission had approved the boundary markers. The Dane County Historical Society agreed to meet to discuss the application for a historical marker at the Hauge Park. They met but have not informed Doug whether the marker was approved. The Town Board approved the recognition of the Hauge Log Church Association in the Memorial Circle. The new picnic table, the benches and the trail markers were paid for by an anonymous donor to the Friends of Perry Parks. Trip Advisor said they would only approve the large sign that the committee felt was too big. The Town Board approved posting the volunteer list at the Recycling Center which has been done. Stephanie Zwettler has also posted the list on the Town website and on the Friends website. The Committee complimented Stephanie on how nice the webpage looks. It has also been posted on the Next Door Neighbor site. Doug has also obtained two more venues for displaying the Hauge Park Brochures.

3. Linda Blushke asked where the information that the Hauge Log Church site closed at the end of September came from. She said that it officially closes the weekend after Thanksgiving. She also had several comments on the draft motions from the February 27 meeting which she gave to Doug. Doug thanked Linda for the information and said he would look over the comments and make corrections as needed.

4. Minutes of the February 27 meeting were review with the following corrections: Under #1, the word member was changed to president, #5, the word hone was corrected to honor; #8 & 9, advise was changed to advice; #11, the word that was removed and a duplicate semi-colon was removed. Jeff moved to approve the corrected minutes. Kay seconded and the motion carried.

5. The terms for the Committee Member were reviewed and no corrections were made.

6. Doug moved that whereas on Monday, March 5, 2018, the Chairman of the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee polled members of the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee individually to ask each member whether or not each member would have any objection if the Chairman presented a different location for two halfway benches recommended by the Committee to the Board on February 27, 2018; and whereas the Chairman conducted the poll of individual members as an electronic communication which was blind copied to each member without sharing the individual results of that poll with any other members pursuant to the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law, Wis. Stat. § 19.81-82(2) et. seq. Showers Test without “convening members for the conduct of public business” nor “engaging in communication resembling a face-to-face exchange of members;” and whereas on March 15, 2018, the Committee Chairman presented the revised location for the proposed halfway benches to the Perry

Board of Supervisors, who unanimously approved the revised location at that meeting; therefore the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby ratifies that decision made by the Town of Perry Board of Supervisors at its March 15, 2018 to change the location of the halfway benches from the location that was originally recommended by the Committee to the Town Board on February 27, 2018. Kay seconded the motion. Doug amended the motion to insert "which was the location approved by the Town Board at the March 15 meeting" into the motion after February 27, 2018. Jeff seconded and the amended motion carried.

7. Doug moved the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby resolves to thank the Friends of the Parks of Perry for their generous purchase on behalf of an anonymous donor of hiking trail signs, a picnic table for the crab apple tree grove and two Leopold halfway benches in the Hauge Historic District Park and commends the Friends of the Parks of Perry for its longstanding and continuing volunteer efforts and commitment to assist the Town of Perry with creating, equipping, maintaining and fundraising for the Town's Daleyville Park and the Hauge Historic District Park. Kay seconded and the motion carried.

8. Doug moved the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby requests Town Board to approve spending up to \$200 from the Committee's budget line for continued printing of the Hauge Historic District Park Visitor Brochure. Michele seconded and the motion carried.

9. Doug moved and Kay seconded the motion that the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby requests the Town Board to request the Friends of the Parks of Perry to assist the Committee and the Town by preparing an DNR Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Grant Application. Motion carried.

10. Doug moved that the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby requests the Town Board to request the Friends of the Parks of Perry to assist the Committee and the Town by preparing an Alliant Energy Grant Application for playground equipment for the Daleyville Park. Jeff seconded. Doug amended the motion to include that the Town accept the donation of \$3.00 from the April Fool's Day Daleyville Petting Zoo toward the purchase of the equipment. Jeff seconded the amendment and the amended motion carried.

11. Doug moved that the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby requests (1) approval to purchase and manufacture a "Thank You For Coming" Sign with a Norwegian Troll Hiker and messages in Norwegian and English to be placed on the backside of the approved Call 911/Park Hours Sign; (2) make the purchase at a cost of approximately \$50 from Decker Supply Inc. of Madison WI; (3) request the Friends of the Parks of Perry to donate funds to the purchase; (4) make the purchase from the Committee's budget line if donations from the Friends are insufficient to make the purchase; and (5) notify the Perry Historic Preservation Commission of the Town's plan to purchase and install the signs for any advice the Commission may have regarding the need for an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness. Gerhard seconded and the motion carried 4 ayes and 1 nay.

12. Doug moved that the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby requests (1) approval to purchase and manufacture a "Park Patrolled By Dane County Sheriff" Sign with Sheriff symbol and Park Under Electronic Surveillance warning to be placed below the approved Call 911/Park Hours Sign; (2) make the purchase at a cost of approximately \$50 from Decker Supply Inc. of Madison WI; (3) request

the Friends of the Parks of Perry to donate funds to the purchase; (4) make the purchase from the Committee's budget line if donations from the Friends are insufficient to make the purchase; and (5) notify the Perry Historic Preservation Commission of the Town's plan to purchase and install the signs for any advice the Commission may have regarding the need for an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness. Kay seconded. Doug amended his motion to add at the end of # 1 that the dimensions of the sign would be a minimum of 12" X 12" and not to exceed 24" X 30". During discussion, Doug informed the Committee that a consultant from a security company has offered a way to provide 24/7 electronic surveillance in the Hauge Park. Doug also stated that he had written to Rick Fredrickson, President of the Hauge Log Church Preservation Association, to offer a demonstration and free trial of a high-tech security system by a professional security consultant to protect the Hauge Log Church from vandalism, but no interest in the offer has been expressed. Jeff seconded the amendment and the amended motion carried.

13. Doug moved the Perry Parks and Open Space Committee hereby requests (1) approval to purchase an Observation Point Visitor Guide Sign to be placed on the same post and on the backside of the approved Hiking Trail Sign on the northwest hiking trail loop north of the Historic Site; (2) make the purchase at a cost of approximately \$50 from Decker Supply Inc. of Madison WI; (3) request the Friends of the Parks of Perry to donate funds to the purchase; (4) make the purchase from the Committee's budget line if donations from the Friends are insufficient to make the purchase; and (5) notify the Perry Historic Preservation Commission of the Town's plan to purchase and install the signs for any advice the Commission may have regarding the need for an application for a Certificate of Appropriateness. Kay seconded and the motion carried.

14. Discussed whether there is a danger of the Town being sued if someone didn't notice the Park rules that are printed on the information marker or was not aware of a rule printed on the marker is injured within the Park. Kay will contact Town Clerk, Mary Price, to ask if the Town's insurance covers the Park. Doug will also check with one of his Madison Group legal consultants.

15. The next meeting will be a walk thru the Hauge Park. Doug will email meeting dates and a backup date to the Committee.

16. Kay suggested that the Mount Horeb School district should be contacted about the possibility of students helping in Perry Parks as part of building their volunteering resumes. No action was taken.

Doug noted that the Committees's work on items needed to complete Perry's Parks is almost finished and the Committee discussed ideas of what is left such as trash cans in the picnic areas as they be needed in the future.

16. Doug moved to adjourn. Kay seconded and carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.