

TOWN OF PERRY PARKS AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE MEETING

Perry Town Hall 10084 CTH A

Tuesday August 2, 2022

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Chairman Doug King. Present were Colleen Kittleson, Gerhard Leutschwager and Michele Kittleson. Absent was Jeff Kahl who emailed his proxy vote. There were no visitors/guests.
2. **Review and approve minutes of previous meeting.** Gerhard moved and Colleen seconded to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2021 meeting. Motion carried.
3. **Welcome new committee member.** Doug officially welcomed Colleen to the committee.
4. **Announcements.** Jeff had emailed his proxy vote to the committee as he had a conflict and couldn't attend in person.
5. **Doug moved** to ratify items previously approved unanimously by the consent of the Committee without objection and subsequently approved by the Town of Perry Board the following agenda items:
 - a. Update Historic District Park brochure with: 2nd highest park in Dane County; binocular icon for observation points; telescope icon for astronomy with permission; snowshoeing & skiing; kite flying; Dane Co. Historical/Cultural site logo; Groundswell Conservancy protected lands logo; "Historic Site closed in Winter;" change the word "it's" referring to the cemetery to "church's" cemetery; strike the words "be sure to visit the beautiful 1852 Hauge Log Church Historic Site" and replace with "be sure to visit the beautiful Observation Point."
 - b. Add graphics to Historic District Park Informational Markers: "Recommended by Trip Advisor; Wisconsin Department of Tourism; Travel Wisconsin; Madison Magazine."
 - c. Apply to Historic Preservation Commission for park restroom Certificate of Appropriateness.
 - d. Prepare appeal of the denial of Certificate of Appropriateness application for restroom.
 - e. Request Hauge Log Church Preservation Association to provide pedestrian passageway.
 - f. Amend Parks and Open Space Plan to allow for temporary shade tents, umbrellas, and portable toilets during special events in the Historic District Park.
 - g. Apply to DNR Knowles-Nelson Stewardship Fund for Historic District park restroom grant.
 - h. Apply to Dane County Environmental Council for Historic District Park restroom grant.
 - i. Amend Dark Sky Outdoor Lighting Ordinance.
 - j. Remove brush and tree branches obscuring view of Blue Mounds N fence line of Historic Site.
 - k. Request, prepare and sign a permanent Conservation Easement agreement with the Wisconsin Groundswell Conservancy to protect the Historic District Park in perpetuity.
 - l. Amend "Section 1.01 Purpose of the Town of Perry Building Ordinance" to say: "This Ordinance is...."designed to enforce the goals and policies set forth in the Town of Perry Land Use Plan"... add the words: "the Historic Preservation Ordinance, and in the Historic District, the Historic Preservation Plan and the Groundswell Conservancy Conservation Easement."
 - m. Amend Town of Perry Comprehensive Plan to include the goal of protecting the scenic view of the Blue Mounds from the Hauge Log Church Historic Site.Gerhard seconded the motion and it carried unanimously using Jeff's proxy vote.
6. **Doug moved** and Colleen seconded to request Town Board approval to co-locate the Conservation Easement sign with the already approved Handicap Parking sign. Discussion was that the additional sign would be placed below the existing sign. Motion carried.
7. **Doug moved** that once the restroom is installed to request Town Board approval to add the word Restroom inside the directional arrow with approved Handicapped sign. Gerhard seconded and the motion carried.
8. **Doug moved** to co-locate Dane County Historical/Cultural Site sign with approved Parking Area sign. Colleen seconded and the motion carried.

9. **Doug moved** and Colleen seconded to request Town Board approval to raise the height of the existing Parking Area sign to the same height as the Handicap Parking sign so that it can be seen from trucks and SUVs to prevent getting hit and damaged. Motion carried.

8. An informal discussion was held on electronic surveillance in Historic District Park. Doug will check on the coverage of the Town's insurance.

9. **Doug moved** to table action on construction of new Leopold benches for Historic District Park as a school project until Colleen can check with the instructor of the Woods Class at Mount Horeb High School. Gerhard seconded and the motion carried.

10. There was no other business properly presented by committee members and no comments by town residents and invited guests.

11. The next meeting will be scheduled as needed via email.

12. **Doug moved** and Gerhard seconded to adjourn. Carried unanimously at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Kittleson