

Perry Village
Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday March 4, 2025 6:30pm
Village Hall

- I. Meeting called to order at Perry Village Hall at 6:38pm
- II. Attendance
Present: Mike Glover, Lee Glover, Pam Jenkins, Barb Howley & Ashley Hacking
Guests: Jenda Wight & Mackenzie Hacking
- III. Old Business/Updates
 - A. Meadow - Pam Jenkins
 1. Proclamations - still working on getting proclamations for Jonathan Booth (arbor) and the Dominish Family (Paw Paw tree). Mike said Pam needs to contact Jim O'Leary to assure he has all the info. Hope to have this wrapped up at the next Council meeting.
 2. Benches - Pam has given Mike the plans, he will purchase the wood and advise the committee when the weather is better for construction at his house. Cost of wood to come from 'Meadow Budget'.
 3. Meadow talks - Pam suggested a powerpoint presentation led by Lake MetroParks called "Butterfly/Hummingbird Gardening & You. The cost is \$70 and they will come to Lee Lydic to present. It will be followed by a walk in our meadow. The committee agreed and Pam will research dates for the next meeting, most likely a Sunday in August. The cost will come from the "Meadow Budget".
She also wants to have a presentation at the park "Why should you grow a pollinator garden in your yard and how to do it" This would be presented by Pam and friends. Possibly with Master Gardens help.... The committee approved, Pam will research and present at the next meeting, the committee discussed Sunday May 18h.
 4. The committee approved expenditure of \$38.52 for 2 Spice Bushes purchased from the Lake County Soil & Water Native Plant Sale. This will come from the "Meadow Budget" These will be planted in the meadow.
 - B. Community Garden - Mike Glover
 1. Denny Shimko will have the garden tilled by May 1st then the fence will go up. Some of the plots will be divided in half to make room for more gardens. There are 13 possible plots claimed at time of this meeting. Lee announced this is the 5th year for the garden, he will see if Bill will do a article for the News-Herald
 - D. NatureWorks 30 Grant - Ohio DNR
 1. John is putting the info we gather on the online application. This is a great help! Pam and Barb are reaching out to community leaders for letters of support. The next grant meeting will be Wednesday March 19th at 4:30pm
 - E. 5 Year Plan - Tabled until April meeting
 - F. FunDay Events
 1. There was a long discussion about Earth Day, Summer Family Fun Day, and Lee suggested a new event for September. The committee could not agree so there will be no event dates to publicize in the Perry Township Newsletter. Will discuss at April meeting

G. Dog Park

1. Mike said the new signs have arrived. There is no reason to have a grand opening, unsure when the gates will be open. Continued the discussion from the March 2024 meeting to stain and seal the shelter & benches at the dog park, spread new gravel under the shelter, do some clean up. Mike said we just need to pick a date.

H. Perry Township Newsletter

1. Due dates are March 26, June 25, Sept 30 & Dec 31. Pam will write the article. Will mention the community garden, fishing derby, battery recycling, next date for park committee meeting,

I. Discuss and revise/add to 2025 Wish List (see below) - no time to discuss

New Business:

A. Security

1. Pam noticed in February that the top layer of stones from the fire pit had disappeared. Mike said they had been gone since last fall. If he can't find them, then they need to be replaced. In addition one of the handmade benches donated to the park that was around the firepit has disappeared.
2. The need for more security was briefly discussed, Mike said the Chief was working on a plan for the whole village.

B. Martin House

1. Pam reminded the committee that the Martins return to NE Ohio around the beginning of April so we need to get the house cleaned out and ready asap. Mike suggested the committee take care of it instead of the Road crew. It was agreed that we would meet on Tuesday March 11th at 5:00.

C. Park Committee Mission

1. Pam had found the description of what the Park Committee is and what it oversees on the village website and put it on the agenda. Mike said it was out of date and needed to be updated so he and Ashley will meet to discuss and update the statement with Jim O'Leary to review. Will bring that to the April meeting. It was removed from the agenda. Pam asked if the council needed to be involved.

* Current Park Committee guidelines that can be found on village website are below

V. Next Meeting

- A. April 1,2025 at the Village Hall 6:30pm to discuss park events

VI. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Jenkins

March 23, 2025

Summer 2025 Project Wish List - all work to be done at the Mayor's discretion

- * Straighten all posts in park (around pond and road) that are leaning
- * Phragmite removal
- * Paint larger 'one way' arrows on park road
- * Remove the dead tree in grove by the playground and the one at the corner of the tree line.
- * Clean out gravel, spread top soil and plant grass in the old road that led to the Port-A-Pot
- * Clean up area at entrance by arborvitaes and oaks (border on Chabot property)
- * Trim up both paths in the woods and spread wood chips (donated?)
- * 3 new garbage cans for around the pond that will attach to poles
- * Purchase new grill and remove the other 2 posts

The Village Parks & Recreation Committee oversees activities and facilities involving Lee Lydic Park & recreational activities for the youth and seniors of the Village. Perry Village is an entity member of the Perry Area Joint Recreation District which provides the programming. Annually the Mayor will appoint a representative to the Recreation Board as well as chair of the Parks Committee. Its mission is to oversee Park activities, maintenance issues, and operational rules & regulations.