

Perry Village
Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes
June 6, 2024 6:00pm
Village Hall

- I. Meeting called to order at Village Hall at 6:00pm
- II. Attendance
 - Present: Mike Glover, Lee Glover, Pam Jenkins, Barb Howley, Ashley Hacking & Jim Gessic
 - Absent: John Howley
- III. Old Business/Updates
 - A. Meadow - Pam Jenkins
 - 1. Trying to find someone to build benches for free. Will purchase wood at that time
 - 2. The National Wildlife Federation "Certified Backyard Habitat" sign has arrived and it is up at the meadow.
 - B. Community Garden - Mike Glover
 - 1. Mike has ordered 5 new sections of rubber channel hose protector/speed bump to arrive around June 22nd. He will purchase and install a new hose after the protector is installed.
 - C. Summer Family Fun Day - Sunday July 14th 1:00-4:00pm
 - 1. Lots of water based activities, bubbles, games, Perry Rec Train, monarch butterfly display with interpreters and information, bubble craft. Food provided will be popcorn and popsicles. Will contact King Kone to see if their truck can visit. Looking for microphone with speakerPlanned activities are:
 - 1:00 - Remote airplay Demo by David Hua and friends
 - 2:00 - Ukulele Concert & Sidewalk Chalk Drawing Contest
 - 3:00 - Limbo Contest for kids and adults!Discussed ordering a new sign that can be used for all events. Ashley suggested putting a QR code on the sign with info for each activity update on the Park page on the Village website. Unsure who would update that ongoing info.
 - D. Grills - Jim Gessic
 - 1. 2 of the 3 grills have been removed. The remaining one was cleaned of debris. The posts are still in the ground and painted orange. The mayor is undecided if he wants to purchase a new grill. Will advise what will happen to the posts
 - E. Vine Teepee
 - 1. Pam and Barb presented a simple and free idea to construct a teepee made of bamboo poles. Various vines would be planted at the base such as Sweet Peas and pumpkins that would grow up and cover the teepee. This would be a fun place for kids to visit as the vines grow. The girls will find the bamboo and construct the teepee.
 - F. Paw Paw Trees
 - 1. Pam reported that she had a conversation with Matt and Theresa Dominish who are well known for their successful Paw Paw grove in North Perry. They very generously offered to donate 3 trees to be planted at the park. The committee agreed and Pam will contact them to decide the best planting site and report back to committee.
 - F. NatureWorks 30 Grant - Ohio DNR
 - 1. Pam reported finding the grant online and suggested that we pursue this for a project at the park. Several ideas were discussed and it was decided to go with 2 Pickleball courts. Mike will present this idea to council and Pam will continue to gather information. As of now there is no 'due date' for application but the grant will still be awarded this fall for projects in 2025.

IV. New Business

A. Event Budget

1. The question was brought up if the event planning committee could use money that's in the budget from other projects for a current project . ie: using some of the monies from the Fall Event for the Summer event. It was decided and agreed that the committee could take from another event but no more than \$100 could be used.

B. Mulch

1. Jim announced that 7 yards of mulch would be delivered to the playground on June 7th.

C. Tree line Clean Up

1. Jim announced that the tree line around the park would be cleaned up in the coming week. The Township will send over a worker and the MowTrim machine to cut back and clean up the entire tree line. It will be the Village road crews job to clean up the debris and plant grass.

Summer 2024 Project Wish List - all work to be done at the Mayor's discretion

- * Stain new garbage cans. The Park Committee would like to come up with a paint color scheme to be followed for all future painting.
- * Paint all sign posts green and mulch around base - Mayor said we might paint but no mulch. Pam volunteered to do the painting if the village buys the paint.
- * Straighten all posts in park (around pond and road) that are leaning
- * **Remove dead tree and dead lower branches in the tree grove - only removing dead tree - DONE**
- * **Trim tree line by meadow and along road on south and west side of park. Discussed borrowing the "Mowtrim" machine from the Township to trim the edges of the woods that are encroaching. DONE**
- * Clean up the debris from the MowTrim and plant grass
- * Phragmite removal - later in the summer when it dries out.
- * Repaint the little one way arrows on the park road with BIG 'one way' arrows with paint that will reflect and hold up better. The current ones are too small and fading, no one can see them.
- * Dog Park - **why isn't this new can put up yet?**
New dog waste can - has arrived. Hope to have up week of May 20th.
Discussed closing the Dog Park during the installation of new fenced in area, while at the same time doing some needed maintenance such as painting of shelter, staining of benches, spraying of grass along fence line, spreading of pea gravel under the shelter and anything else that needs to be done at that time. Also discussed enlisting volunteers from the "Perry Village Dog Park" Facebook page to help with the work. Mayor to advise when the installation date will be. Also discussed a water line being run to the new area and adding another dog waste can
- * **Flower covered Bamboo Teepee - the girls will find bamboo and plant the vines. Location TBD probably by the garden and playground - DONE**

V. Next Meeting

- ##### A. TBD

VI. Meeting was adjourned at 6:50 pm

Respectfully submitted ,

Pam Jenkins

7/29/24