Perry Village Park Committee — Meeting Minutes
September 2, 2026
Time: 6:00 PM Lee Lydic Park

I. Call to Order & Attendance

A. Call to Order: 6:00 PM •
B. Attendees: Pam Jenkins, Barb Howley, Tara Chabot, Vanessa Rockwell

II. Approval of Previous Minutes

A. August 12, 2026 minutes were reviewed and approved.
B. Motion: Barb Howley • Seconded: Tara Chabot, all approved

III. Old Business

A. Meadow
1. Signage will be installed next spring following the controlled burn. Hope to involve the Fire Department in the burn to help us and good practice for them.
2. Special thanks to the road crew for mowing and clearing the path!

C. Community Garden
1. The garden will be relocated but will remain the same size.
2. New Location being considered i just east of the dog park. Can share parking and water. Discussed improved/better fencing.
4. Will try to move the shed to the new location.

D. Pickleball Courts - CANCELED
1. Grand Opening • September 20, 2026, at 12:00 PM
2. Event Details:
a. Ribbon-cutting ceremony.
b. Hot dogs, chips, and drinks.
c. Pickleball gift basket giveaways.
d. Esther Daniels may host a 30-minute clinic.

E. Battery Collection Tube
1. Painted red, has official sign with rules and now is in permanent location.

IV. New Business

A. 2027 Budget Proposals
1. Earth Day: $300
2. Summer Family Fun Day: $500
3.Miscellaneous: $500
4. Meadow: $100

5. Garden Fence: $300
6.Pickleball Court: $300
Pam will present proposed budget at next council meeting
7. Fundraisers: Discussed for additional funding.
8.Action Item: Send any additional budget requests to Pam prior to the next Council Meeting on September 10, 2026, at 6:00 PM.

B. Perry Village Hometown Holiday 2026

1. The Mayor is on board with the event.
2. December 12, 2026 12:00 noon til closing tree lighting at 6 - 6:30pm
3. Next steps include finalizing event layout, planned activities, getting businesses and other locations on board, PSL volunteers, book Travis Mettler as Santa, reserving Manchester West, confirming wagon, tractor and straw. Discussed Village wide holiday lighting contest with winner announced at tree lighting. Pam will attend Thrive and Revive Meeting as they want to help as well.
4. Publicize everywhere!!

C. 2027 Proposed Activities

1. Bike Parade
2. Golf Cart Parade
3. High School & Middle School Student Paint Night / Art Event 4. Movie Night
5. Village Garage Sale: August 7, 2027
6. Full Moon Party
7. Food Truck Fridays
8. Campout
9. Earth Day - April
10. Summer Fun Day! July

V. Recommendations for Remaining Park Funds from 2026

1. Purchase wood holder.
2. Electric motion-detector lights will be discussed at the October meeting.

VI. Five-Year Plan Initiatives

1. Build a new playground in the same location.
2. Create a nature play area in the grove of trees.
3. Clean both wood paths and add wood chips or small limestone gravel.
4. Expand road width around the park to add a dedicated lane for bikers, strollers, walkers, runners, and dog walkers.

5. Clean underbrush of the entire wooded area to remove invasive species and establish native plants.
6. Install a fishing platform (explore ODNR grant opportunities).
7. Replace the picnic shelter roof with green tin to match stage, and paint both structures same color - discussed white
8. Replace benches around the pond.
9. Install a new Park sign.
10. Plant more native trees throughout the park.
11. Install a tetherball pole.
12. Upgrade restroom facilities.
13. Construct a Gaga Ball Court.
15. Create an amphitheater area.
16. Widen the road to two lanes from Laturette Lane to the picnic shelter, remove the circle, straighten the road, and add angle parking spaces (if space allows).

VII. Next Meeting & Adjournment

A. Next Meeting Date: October 6, 2026, at 6:00 PM (Village Hall) - CANCELED
B. Adjournment: 8:10 PM
C. Motion: Vanessa Rockwell • Seconded: Tara Chabot