

TOWN OF CLAYTON

Green Space Committee

Meeting Minutes

7:03 P.M. – 7:54 P.M. on Thursday, March 20th, 2014

Town Office Meeting Room, 8348 County Road T, Larsen, WI 54947

I. Call to Order:

- A. The Meeting was called to order at 7:03 P.M.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Notice Verification, the Chair was advised that the meeting was properly noticed.
- D. Roll:

Committee Chair:	Cathy Clark	PRESENT
Committee Member:	Joan Brown	PRESENT
Committee Member:	Lana Prusik	PRESENT
Committee Member:	Nancy Heider	PRESENT
Committee Member:	David Dorow	PRESENT
Committee Member:	Linda Grundman	ABSENT
Committee Member:		VACANT

Town Staff: Richard Johnston PRESENT

II. Approval of Minutes:

- A. Regular Green Space Committee Meeting of Thursday, January 16th, 2014.

MOTION:

Motion: Committee Member Heider

Second: Committee Member Brown

Motion made to approve the Draft Minutes of the Thursday, January 16th, 2014 meeting.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

III. Open Forum –

- A. No Referrals.

IV. Correspondence:

- A. No Correspondence.

V. Business:

- A. Discussion/Recommendation: Green Space Committee direction to staff relative to generating a Town Policy for the use of chemicals, herbicides, and pesticides on Town property.

Attached please find a Draft of a Policy for the use of Chemicals, Herbicides, and Pesticides on Town owned property. This Policy would be used by Town staff to apply these types of agents on all Town property. Specifically, staff is looking for the types of considerations or allowances the Committee may wish to include in a Policy. With the understanding that using these agents is a licensed process and strictly controlled by both

the State and the Federal Governments, what additional restrictions does the Committee want to place on staff. Examples of these types of restrictions would be: using agents before the weekend or before the park has a planned activity. Staff will work to include any recommendations made by the Committee in a draft Policy that ultimately would be recommended to the Town Board for approval.

- Lengthy discussion regarding if we should use chemicals, herbicides and pesticides should be used and if so, at what times of the season
- Organic products used by the farmers could make a difference
- Cost comparisons of pesticides vs. organic and how often it needs to be applied as well as staff costs
- Keep using the same type of grass seed that doesn't seem to grow too many weeds
- Committee gave direction to staff to continue working on the draft Policy
- Discussion on mowing ditches and lawns in the town and time involved. Will not more the subdivisions and then water in the ditches will not drain by cattails
- Discussion regarding the size of the recycling garbage cans, easier for garbage employees to have the handles face towards the road

MOTION:

Motion by: Committee Member Dorow

Second by: Committee Member Brown

Motion to accept Richard's proposal as laid out

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

VI. Upcoming Meeting Attendance:

A. None

VII. Committee Member Requests for Future Agenda Items:

A. None

VIII. Adjournment

MOTION:

Motion by: Committee Member

Second by: Committee Member

Motion: To Adjourn the Green Space Committee meeting at 7:54 PM.

Motion: Carried by unanimous voice vote

Respectfully submitted,

Richard Johnston, Town Administrator/Clerk