

TOWN OF CLAYTON

Regular Meeting of the Green Space Committee Meeting Minutes

October 21, 2010
5:32 p.m. – 6:51 p.m.

8358 County Road T Larsen, WI 54947

I. Call to Order

Called to order at 5:32 p.m. by Chairperson Griffith

Present: Committee Chairperson Griffith, Members Clark, Dorow, Lettau, and Stanek.

Absent: Member(s) Ihde, Johnson

Staff Present: Town Administrator Johnston, Interim Treasurer Bowen, Public Works Foreman Pamerter

Meeting properly posted; three locations in the Town.

II. Approval of Minutes

- Regular Green Space Committee Meeting – September 16, 2010

MOTION by: Stanek seconded by Clark

Motion to approve regular Green Space Committee Meeting Minutes from September 16, 2010.

Motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

III. Correspondence - None

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IV. Business

A. Status/Action on potential nature park property.

- Meeting with Property Owner –
 - Meeting with Lettau, Hamblin, Clark and Johnston was held 10/21/2010 to go through the cost estimate from M & E before meeting with Owner of property.
 - Discussion followed as to how the cost estimates were established. Clayton Park was used as a model for the estimates (use of the park, pavilion rental, etc.)
 - Subcommittee meeting (Clark, Lettau, Hamblin, Johnston) recommendations were presented. Discussion between Committee members on the cost of trail enhancement, restroom facilities, parking lot (paved vs. gravel), playground/playground equipment, renting options, etc. Must be ADA accessible because we are a municipality.
- Clark explains about grants, etc.
- Johnston suggests another vision for the committee to decide on. Stanek thinks we need options. Discussion between Committee members of park options including starting with the basics (to the extent of what the law allows the Town as a municipality) and adding additional options with costs for each addition.
- Griffith thinks we need to evaluate the basics. Hamblin suggests the basic package needs to be set by the committee, and he will check and see what the laws are concerning the ADA accessibility of what needs to be there as a park. "We need to have a vision that we can live with for a long time" Griffith states and Johnston agrees. Stanek suggests that the vision needs to have room for expansion.
- Stanek left @ 6:15
- Kay asks about tax dollars with taking 80 acres of forest land – Johnston states it is nominal.

- Discussion of the amount of land for a nature park that is suitable for the Town of Clayton. It was decided that 80 acres is a start for a nature park. The acreage around the park was discussed as to how the sale and use of the acres would affect the park. Dorow suggests taking to the Board the 120 acres for negotiations in order not to lose the 80 acres. Johnston states electors can say whether or not you buy the land, but not the development of the park.
- Griffith suggests that the subcommittee go back and get some more numbers with some of the options that were suggested and do a cost analysis for the “basic package” vs with options added.
- Stewardship grant will fund 50% of recreation – cannot count on grants. Ben understood that this would not go through without the stewardship grant.
- Ben wants direction – skeleton structure for the basis of the cost analysis. Griffith wants subcommittee to make the cost structure on the park. Dorow suggests that they find out the bare minimum as the starting point.
- Lettau covers stats on the park acreage versus population.
- Lettau leaves at 6:51 p.m.

V. Open Discussion – None

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VI. Adjournment – 6:51 p.m.

MOTION by: Chairmen Griffith’s motioned to adjourn at 6:51 p.m. due to the lack of a quorum.

Respectfully Submitted, Tori Bowen, *Interim Treasurer*