TOWN OF WESTPORT PARK COMMITTEE MEETING

Kennedy Administration Building Community Meeting Room 5387 Mary Lake Road Waunakee, WI 53597

MINUTES – August 7, 2019 6:00 p.m.

Present: Terry Enge, Amy Freidig, Mick Holm, Dave O'Malley, Michelle Wing

June Minutes approved by a motion from Freidig, 2nd Holm.

Park Shelter: The committee surveyed the park shelter at the Town Center park. Enge suggested the shelter is underutilized because there is no shade and the sun beats down on the shelter. He would like to see trees planted to provide shade. The problem is most of the area in front of shelter is concrete. Concrete work was just completed at the Town Hall. Redoing the sand area is part of the CORP, so maybe we could begin to think up a plan to redo the whole area in front of the shelter at some future point. Freidig says tree roots grow out, so they would need a wide area to grow.

Park Tree Plan: Freidig asked for direction on coming up with a master plan for tree planting. Committee told her to come up with what she'd ideally like to see based on her knowledge and then the rest of the committee and Barry can help develop it further. Christina Park should be a priority because of the ash trees and the lack of shade for most of the park.

Old Mill Site: Committee visited the old mill site off Mill Rd. There are some stone remains of what was perhaps a smokestack right off the bike path and off a short trail by the sledding hill that Waunakee mows. Enge would like to see a sign with a picture of the original mill. Enge is working with Speedpro to improve a photo the town has. A sign just off the bike path might be best so that it is clearly visible from the road. Should anything be done to shore up mill remnants or just leave as is? Adding something might take away from historical integrity. Wing said HPC should be the ones approving signage and will discuss it at the September HPC meeting and then report back to Parks Committee.

Next Meeting: Next meeting will be September 4, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. in the Town Hall's conference room.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.