

**TOWN OF WESTPORT
PARK COMMITTEE MEETING**

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

MINUTES – March 4th, 2015 at 5:30p.m.

Members present: Terry Enge, Sheldon Schall

Members absent: Mark Trotter, Fran Bridge, Mick Holm – noted

Public attendance: Brad Robinson

No minutes from last meeting.

There was some discussion about the Dane county parks purchase of 63 acres in the Holy Wisdom prairie. On February 18th a meeting was held by Dane county parks, as represented by Darren Marsh and Sarah Kwitek, identifying the new purchase as a wildlife area for prairie restoration and that hunting and trapping will be allowed. It is the committee's hope that the trapping and hunting won't gain footing as this is a well known birding area. The County will mow a small parking area off of Hwy M to allow access to the site. In addition, a representative from Holy Wisdom, Paul Boutwell, was in attendance at the meeting. Paul was asked if a map of the military trail could be displayed in one of Holy Wisdom's kiosks, and he stated that this was an acceptable idea.

It was mentioned at the meeting that the Woodland Drive bike path will be extended in 2016 to connect with Hwy M.

There was also some discussion on the Ella Wheeler Wilcox park addition. Trails will be constructed and a park shelter will be built. The agricultural land will still be used for farming in portions of the park area.

The new Town garage was discussed as members were wondering when it would be completed. This should be done in a matter of weeks with driveway being added later in the spring.

Meeting adjourned 6:15pm

Minutes provided by Terry Enge