



## THE HAGER PARK COMMISSION

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### MEETING MINUTES

Hager Park Commission  
14 December 2023  
4:00 PM

Town Hall-Room 112  
Chris Mossman  
Matt Pearson  
Alan Wiktorski

Guests: Adam Hurd, Kyle Butterfield, Peter Normandin(Sr.) and Don Brutvan

Peter Normandin and Kyle Butterfield came to the meeting to discuss the possibility of revisiting the plan to build a public safety building at Hager Park. The Commission would need to vote unanimously to allow this and was previously unable to record a unanimous vote when the plan was last considered in November of 2021. MEP discussed his experience with converting Chapter 97 land to allow other municipal uses. The process is lengthy and the state would likely require compensating open space before recommending approval to the legislature. APW spoke about his strong feelings to keep the public safety building in the center of town and not locating the building at Hager Park. He had previously written a letter outlining his thoughts on the matter after the 2021 vote and had added it to our records. CCM produced the letter and APW confirmed his opposition to this plan. Peter Normandin felt it was worthwhile to inquire before the Public Safety Building Committee continued trying to find another suitable location.

CCM produced minutes for meetings held on 13 July, 9 August and 14 September. After review, MEP made a motion, APW seconded and the Commission unanimously approved these minutes.

CCM produced a voucher for \$97.58 for his purchase of two 6"x6"x10' PT posts from the Maki Corp for erecting a kiosk at the Raymond parking area. MEP made a motion, APW seconded and the Commission unanimously approved and signed the voucher.

We then spoke with Don Brutvan about his willingness to do some trail building or maintenance. CCM indicated that he had a project that he hoped Don would consider. CCM has flagged out a new trail through the R.J. Urban property recently donated by the Normandin family. Don was provided with a copy of a preliminary trail map that shows this proposed trail. Weather permitting we hope to meet out there to discuss it further this winter.

CCM produced our annual budget spreadsheet from the select board. Currently our budget is at \$1100.00. Most of this goes toward mowing the Rambler field, leaving \$300.00 for other expenses such as trail makers, kiosk materials etc. After some discussion, MEP made a motion to request a budget increase of \$400.00 to a new total of

\$1500.00 annually. APW seconded and the Commission unanimously approved this request. APW will discuss this with the Town Administrator. He will also discuss resubmitting our town meeting article to fund new HP signs that we withdrew prior to the November special town meeting.

Adjourned 4:55 PM