



DOG PARK COMMITTEE AGENDA  
Thursday, August 20th, 4 PM  
Morrison Farm

Present:

Tom Gillispie, Chair  
Karen Martin, Vice Chair  
Clare Siska  
Mike Perry  
Fred Kinch  
Matt Selby  
Cathy Fochtman  
Joe Will  
Tom Tidman

Tom Gillispie opened the meeting at 4:05 PM.

Joe Will led us through the trail near the Paddock and showed us some parts of the farm that were not obvious. He also showed us the Pam Resor Orchard and land behind that area, and while the area was near the new Ice House parking lots, Tom Tidman pointed out plants that were native to wetland areas in that lower meadow. Six months a year, the area would be wet.

The area near Concord road, the Paddocks, was too small an area, and might be hard to make available to a handicapped person.

We then moved on along the lower side of the Community Gardens to the upper meadow. Lots of nice, fairly flat areas, but there were some of the wetland plants there as well, but not as much. Discussions ensued of the possibility of putting a park near the northern most end and removing some trees to do so. There might be an issue getting parking or a road to get to this end of the meadow. If the park were to be located past the existing community gardens, the area to the west of the current road has vernal pools and could be wet, forcing a road to be pushed to the east and losing some of the meadow.

Paving could cause some objections to this site. We measured the area where the barn and sheds will be removed, but that alone was too small for a park.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:07.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mike Perry

