

**Town of New Glarus
Park Commission Meeting Minutes**

Wednesday, June 17, 2026, 6:00 PM

New Glarus Town Garage, 200 Railroad Street, New Glarus, WI

Park Commission Members in Attendance: Harry Pulliam, Chris Narveson, Kelly Ruschman, Jason Neton, Mark Pernitz, Clerk Darla Kramer

Absent: Mona Sue French

1. The meeting was called to order by Mark Pernitz at 06:09 PM.
2. Clerk Darla Kramer attested to the Proof of Posting on 06-16-2026 at the Town Garage, the Bank of New Glarus, and the New Glarus Post Office. Posted to the website 05-18-2026.
3. Motion made by Chris Narveson to approve minutes from 05-20-2026. Seconded by Kelly Ruschman. All were in favor. Motion carried.
4. No public comments
5. 2026 Projects at Legacy Park – Get trails opened with signs to name the trails.
6. Native Planting Signs – Mark Pernitz recommended waiting, until he can check pricing on other signs through the correctional facility.
7. Jason Neton walked BBRC and met with Neighbor. Todd is helping clear out the sumac and other things. At Legacy Park, the prairie coming up nicely behind the shop. Invasives are popping up including wild parsnip and thistle. The new prairie is dry, and grass looks reddish. Barely any forbs (broad-leaved wildflowers) are coming up. Not a lot of progress.
8. Friends of New Glarus Parks and Organizational Charter – The committee presented a rough draft for Articles of Incorporation for a 501(c)(3). A corporation or LLC is a legal entity. Attorney Hazelbaker said make it broad and changeable as you go. Jason Neton would play a role as an officer. Friends group could control the conservation easement. They could tour the park and solicit ideas.
9. Durst Rd 9-acre parcel was designated for prairies, but not for parks. Mark Pernitz does not think this is the parks responsibility.
10. The Legacy Park Grant has been closed out. The township was reimbursed \$45,000.
11. Next meeting will be July 22nd to tour Legacy Prairie Park.
12. Motion to adjourn at 7:08 PM made by Mark Pernitz and seconded by Jason Neton. All were in favor. Motion carried.

Submitted by: Clerk Treasurer Darla Kramer
Approved 07-22-2026