

**Town of Somerset Parks and Recreation Committee**  
**Monday August 9, 2010**  
**Parnell Prairie Preserve 6:00 pm**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00. Present: Paul Boerger, Virginia Gaynor, Lenny Germain, Russ Hultman, Jean Hoffman, Bill Lawson, Shawn Schottler  
Also present: Carol Boerger, Joe Jahnke, Jim Reimer, Ed Schachtner  
P. Boerger moved to approve the agenda and B. Lawson seconded the motion.  
B. Lawson moved to approve the minutes from 7/5/10 and R. Hultman seconded the motion.

**Discussion Areas, Activities, and Actions:**

Parnell Prairie Preserve

- Chemical application process/type/timeline: Committee will work on applying for a grant from USFWS which will include assistance with chemical application for invasives.
- Prairie soils: J. Jahnke shared the results of a area soil survey and took additional samples from the preserve
- Area near parking lot for flower-rich plantings: Preparing area for plants, types of plants to be used and volunteer help for plants and maintenance were discussed
- Trails/burns/mowing: Need for additional trail(s), a perimeter needs to be mowed around the prairie perimeter in fall for the spring burn, possibility of burning a wider area in spring and mowing parts of the prairie beyond trails was discussed.

Next meeting September 13, 7:00 Somerset Town Hall  
Meeting ended at 8:30 pm  
Submitted by J. Hoffman