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Petition of Town of Wellesley/Natural Resources Commission/Park & Tree Division
Perrin Park/Thomas Road

Pursuant to due notice, the Permit Granting Authority held a Public Hearing on Thursday, June 30, 1994 at 8 p.m. in the Selectmen's Meeting Room (Conference Room B) at the Town Hall, 525 Washington Street, Wellesley on the petition of TOWN OF WELLESLEY/NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION/PARK & TREE DIVISION requesting a variance from the terms of Section XXIIA and pursuant to the provisions of Section XXIV-D of the Zoning Bylaw to erect a one-sided standing sign with an area of 3.88 square feet at a height of 5 feet set back 70 from the lot line in the landscaped island at the center of the circular automotive drop-off at PERRIN PARK at the end of THOMAS ROAD, in a Single Residence District. Said sign would exceed the allowed area of 1 square foot and the allowed height of 4 feet.

On June 13, 1994, the petitioner filed a request for a hearing before this Authority, and thereafter due notice of the hearing was given by mailing and publication.

Presenting the case at the hearing was Len Phillips, Superintendent of the Park & Tree Division. Mr. Phillips said that following a major fund drive, the neighborhood raised enough money for new playground equipment, which was installed and dedicated earlier this month. The neighbors were concerned that many in town would not know where the park was located, and wanted a sign to identify it. A local garden club has donated funds to landscape the island where the sign is to be located. A walkway around the park has also been funded. As the park is becoming an important area in town, it is necessary to properly identify it. The Natural Resources Commission, which has jurisdiction over parklands, has carried the name forward from the Perrin School, which was named in honor of Marshall Perrin.

No other person present had any comment on the petition.

Statement of Facts

Perrin Park is a 5 acre site located in the northwest corner of Wellesley in a Single Residence District. Due to neighborhood efforts, new playground equipment has been installed recently. The park also contains a Little League Field and a T-Ball Field. The neighbors have requested the Park and Tree Division to install a standing sign to identify the premises.

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The petitioner is requesting a variance to exceed the area of 1 square foot and the height of 4 feet allowed for a standing sign in a Single Residence District. The proposed one-sided standing sign will have an area of 3.88 square feet, a height of 5 feet, and will be installed in the traffic island at the end of Thomas Road.

A drawing of the sign, a landscape plan of the traffic island, a site plan of the park, and photographs were submitted.

On March 24, 1994, the Design Review Board reviewed the proposed design and placement of the sign and voted to approve the sign as presented.

On June 21, 1994, the Planning Board reviewed the petition and voted to recommend that the sign be reduced in height from 5 to 4 feet to eliminate the request for a height variance.

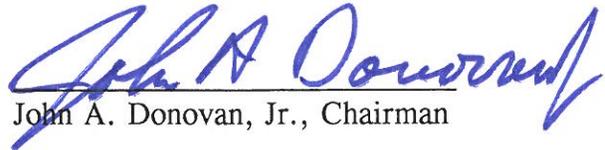
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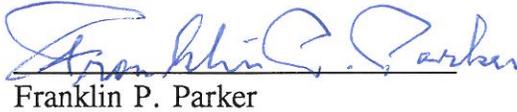
This Authority has made a careful study of the materials submitted and the information presented at the hearing. It is the opinion of this Authority that there is a need to identify the park as other parklands and forests in Single Residence Districts in Town have been identified, and that to deny the variance would create a definite hardship to the neighborhood and to Town residents seeking the park site.

A variance is hereby granted for a one-sided standing sign with an area of 3.88 square feet at a height of 5 feet to be located in the traffic island at the end of Thomas Road, according to the drawing of the sign and the site plan submitted.

The Inspector of Buildings is hereby authorized to issue a permit for the sign upon receipt and approval of an application. No sign can be erected until this permit has been issued.

APPEALS FROM THIS DECISION,
IF ANY, SHALL BE MADE PURSUANT
TO GENERAL LAWS, CHAPTER 40A,
SECTION 17, AND SHALL BE FILED
WITHIN 20 DAYS AFTER THE DATE
OF FILING OF THIS DECISION IN
THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN CLERK.


John A. Donovan, Jr., Chairman

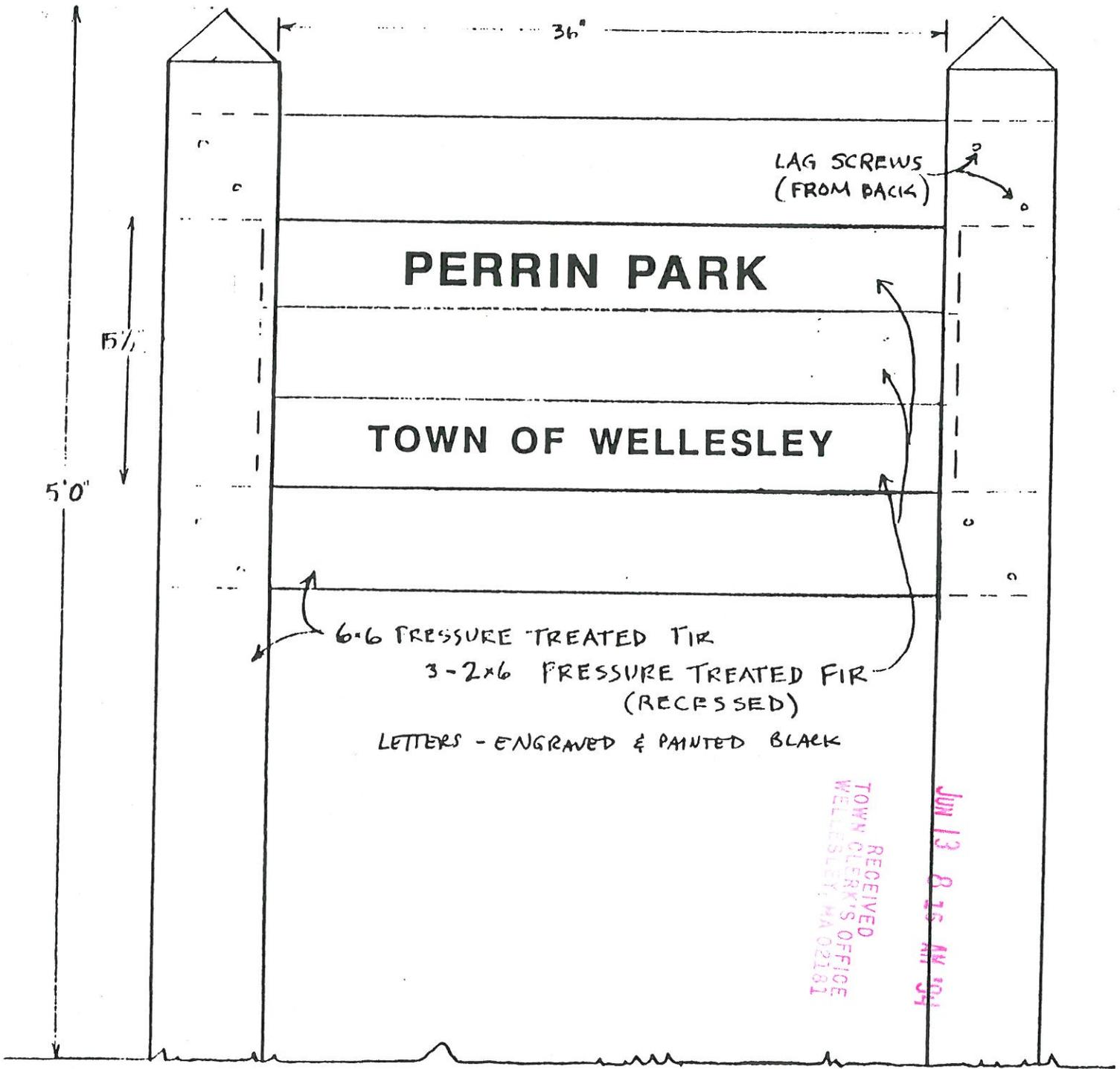

Franklin P. Parker

cc: Planning Board
Inspector of Buildings

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36"

LAG SCREWS
(FROM BACK)

PERRIN PARK

5 1/2"

TOWN OF WELLESLEY

5'0"

6x6 PRESSURE TREATED FIR
3-2x6 PRESSURE TREATED FIR
(RECESSED)

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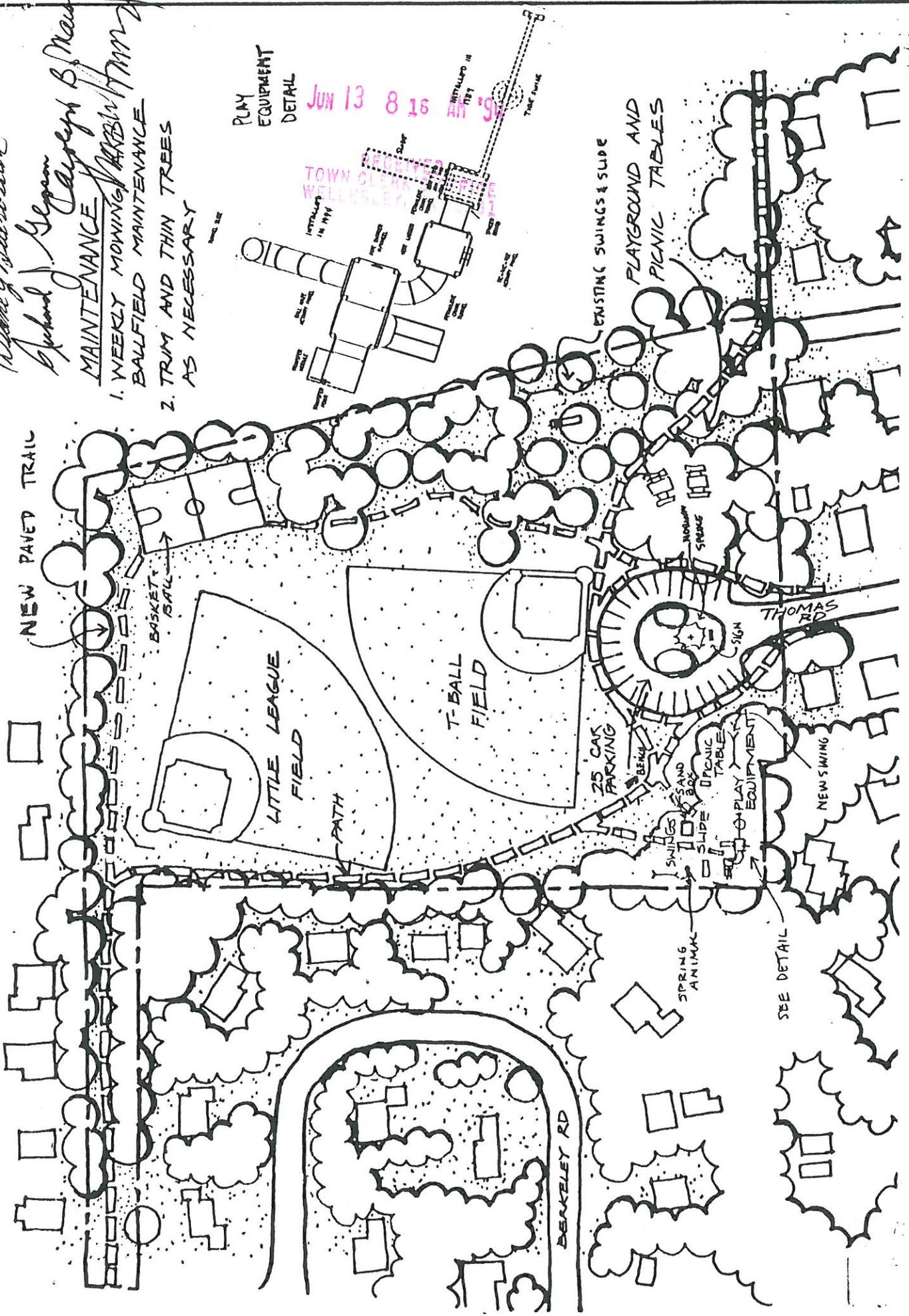
SCALE 1"=8'

Plan by [unclear]
Approved by [unclear]

- MAINTENANCE
 1. WEEKLY MOWING
 2. BALLFIELD MAINTENANCE
 3. TRIM AND THIN TREES
 AS NECESSARY

PLAY
 EQUIPMENT
 DETAIL

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TOWN OF WELLESLEY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION OF PARKS AND TREES	MASTER PLAN PERRIN PARK DRAWN BY D. HOARNET	APPROVED D.P.V. [Signature]	DATE 3/30/88	0' 20' 40' 80'
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