DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP DOG PARK ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Notes: Monday, July 11, 2016



There were no Correspondences, Member Inquiries, or Incident reports.

Janet reported the exit gate fix is working, as she has not seen anyone go in the exit gate.

Janet also reported there is a problem with two members letting their dogs run free from the parking lot to the entrance.

Janet also reported the mowers worked on the outside of the park, thus waiting for the members to leave the large dog area before entering and mowing the area. This was greatly appreciated by all.

Captain mentioned his concern about the new trees not getting watered in the dog park. He requested the Township take over checking and watering the trees when they do their weekly maintenance.

Family and Fido Flick:

General consensus is considering the brutal heat and poor air quality report, the event was well attended by dog people but families were not in attendance.

Suggestions: Change the date-it was too hot, push the family side of the event, and use a sandwich board at the dog park to advertise.

Janet stated no one reads the info board so the sandwich board is necessary.

Fido Float:

We need more volunteers.

Kathy suggested offering free entry to those who volunteer. Janet said people would not go home and get their dog after volunteering.

Deb and Stephanie suggested getting the high school Honor Society volunteers. Janet said that last year the high school lifeguards did not do a good job and stood around and talked. She said Honor Society students would do the same thing.

General discussions lead to agreement that lifeguards were not there to remind owners to pick up after their dogs but to protect the participants in the pool.

It was also determined that students helping would allow members to keep a better eye on where dogs go and remind members to clean up after dogs.

Deb and Katelynn suggested a free t-shirt for volunteers. Everyone liked this idea.

David said DAMC is sponsoring the T-shirts again. DAMC is wonderful.

Kathy suggested printing dog size t-shirts. Janet said only small dog people buy t-shirts so no need to print large dog shirts.

Additional suggestions were made to provide a mutt mitt to participants upon registration. Deb suggested making a point to tell participants to pick up after their dog.

It was also suggested to use the loud speaker to remind all to keep their dog under control and to pick up the poop.

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It was decided to sell water at the event.

Andrew will utilize the generous donation from Redner's that we did not use for Barkminster and bring water and ice.

Kathy will bring tennis balls for the dogs.

It was also decided we don't need a work session since we have another meeting before the event.

Adjournment motion was made by Deb and seconded by Kathy.

Submitted by Kathy Brown