

DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP DOG PARK ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Notes: Monday, January 9, 2017



In attendance:

In attendance: Deb McComas, Ada Popek, Andrew Miller, Katelynn Steck, Carmen Ruffino, David Cochran, Karen Sweeney, Caroline Brinker, Barbara Lyons.

Guests: N/A

Meeting Minutes: N/A

Election of New Officers for 2017 (from Dec.):

- David Hansen has nominated Kathy Brown as Chairman - Unanimously Elected
- Deb McComas has nominated Carmen Ruffino as Secretary - Unanimously Elected
- Janet Stavrides has nominated Deb McComas as Vice-Chairman. - Unanimously Elected

Correspondence: N/A

Member Inquiries / Incident Reports: N/A

Incident Reports: N/A

Sub Committee Formation: No Reports

- Orientation: Kathy and Deb
- Fundraiser: Carmen and Katelynn
- Public Information/Communication: Katelynn
- Event Planning: Andrew and Janet
- Volunteer: Joseph

Other Business:

Magnets:

- Paid in full.
- Estimated Ship date 1.12.17.
- Estimated delivery date 1.18.17
- Arriving to Katelyn

BOS Presentation: Feb. 7, 2017 @ 4:00pm

- Will likely meet the week before the presentation
- Barbara says it can be very simple.
- Attendance of the Dog Park Committee is invited and encouraged to attend.
- Katelyn has video and pictures but no text.
- Katelyn to come and check the technology.

Goals & Objectives:

Maintenance Requests and Suggestions

1. The Linden Tree in the large dog park
2. More Stone in the rotation park near the gates. It was brought up that the large dog park needed more stone, I disagree, the stone in the large dog park can probably just be raked back into place, it has all "moved" away from the gates towards the grass. I have tried to do it with my feet but a garden rake would probably do the job that my feet could not!

DOYLESTOWN TOWNSHIP DOG PARK ADVISORY BOARD

Meeting Notes: Monday, January 9, 2017



3. Many of the entry and exit gates (to the individual parks not the main ones) need work. Some are just difficult to open and close, some are actually bent, etc.
4. Add gravel to needed areas to improve entrance and exit areas. - This item will be taken care of internally in the spring.
5. Expand gravel in large dog area to eliminate/control mud between entrance and downhill towards big tree.
6. Fix/maintain all gates, latches, and fencing.
7. Protect trees.
8. Color-code the fence post in order to notice when the dogs do their business in order to identify the area to pick it up from.

Projects & Events:

Bi-Centennial Celebration: Barbara let us know that in 2018 is the bi-centennial and in 2017 there will be preparations for the celebration. The board said that every committee should be represented as a project that marks the celebration. DDP needs to determine if they want to participate. (Will be tabled in the upcoming meetings)

Park and Rec will lose indoor space: for presentations and we will need a space for orientation.

Barkminster & Howl-O-Ween:

- Brainstorming surrounding the pros and cons about merging the events.
- Discussion about the time of the year.
- Discussion about incorporating rescue adoption.
- Discussion on marketing and event
- Discussion about vendors and dates (October 14 and rain date is the 15th)
- Discussion about sponsorship

Following discussion a motion was made by Carmen, second by Ada and unanimously approved to merge Barkminster & Howl-O-Ween into a single fall event.

FIDO FLOAT: Feb. 20th is the due date for entering the Event to the program. Ada will go to the board meeting on Jan. 23rd at 7pm at Doylestown Borough Hall.

Adjournment: Being no further business meeting was adjourned.