

Doylestown Dog Park Advisory Board Meeting Notes July 10, 2023 at 5:00 p.m.

Kathy Brown convened the meeting in the Conference Room in the Activity Trailer.

Attending: Kathy Brown, Deb McComas, Donna Cawthorne, Warren Grant, Karen Sweeney, Caroline Brinker

Visitors / Public Comment: N/A

Meeting Notes of July 1, 2023 were accepted and approved on a motion by Warren, seconded by Deb and passed by unanimous vote.

Correspondence / Information: N/A

Discussion:

- **Online Orientation:** Kathy and Warren conducted the most recent orientation in May. Kathy opened the meeting discussion by asking what would be the best format to use for online orientations. Warren suggested video taping an in-person orientation and putting it online. Ed Ebenbach, Chair of the Telecommunications Advisory Board, said TAB could insert videos of proper dog behavior into the online orientation. The videos could be interspersed throughout the orientation or all placed at the end. Warren volunteered to take video of his dogs for the orientation.
- **Fido Float:** Doylestown Borough has approved Kathy's request for this year's Fido Float on Saturday, September 9 at 10:30 a.m. Set-up will take place on September 8 at 2:00 p.m. All non-members will sign a waiver that their dogs are current on all shots and vaccinations.
- **Dog Park Capital Projects:**
- **Cameras:** Karen suggested that Kathy send a request to the Board of Supervisors for security cameras for the dog park.
- **Play Equipment:** Chris Mason intends to install the new interactive play equipment this year. Kathy explained that he works at the dog park one day per week, and will install it as time permits.
- **HC Parking:** The Board of Supervisors has approved of paving the handicapped parking area at the dog park.
- **Repair Gates:** DPAB has voted unanimously to recommend to the Board of Supervisors to repair and secure the entry gates to the dog park. Kathy will submit a memo to the Board of Supervisors with a copy to Stephanie Mason and Karen Sweeney.
- **Replace Red Stone:** DPAB discussed replacing the red stone at the entrances to each section with cement pads to prevent weeds in the entry areas.
- **New Section:** DPAB discussed adding a fourth section to the dog park for medium size dogs.
- **DecemberFest:** DPAB discussed holding a DecemberFest celebration on Sunday, December 10 at Kids Castle in Central Park. Parks and Recreation will ask if other

Boards would consider participating in this activity. DPAB could hold a walk for dogs in costume or an ugly sweater walk, or a dog photo in front of a winter scene or with Santa. Kathy suggested adding the subject to the August 28th Agenda for further discussion.

Director Report:

- **New Equipment Install:** The goal is to install the new interactive play equipment at the dog park this fall.
- **P&R Status General Updates:** P&R is about to go out to bid on an indoor/outdoor patio.
- **Inquiries / Incidents:** N/A

Upcoming DP Orientations in Administrative Meeting Room:

- **Thursday, September 7th at 6:45 p.m.:** (date subject to change)
- **Saturday, October 7th at 4:00 p.m.**
- **Saturday, November 4th at 9:15 a.m.**

Adjournment: On a motion by Warren, seconded by Deb and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 p.m.