Dog Park Advisory Board Meeting Notes August 2, 2021 at 5:00 p.m. Held at Pavilion 1 in Central Park

Attending: Kathy Brown, Deb McComas, Warren Grant, Kristin McCoach, David Cochran

Guests: N/A

There were no meeting notes from the June 7th meeting. We did not have a quorum.,

Correspondence: Quick discussion about the new Sunshine Law.

Member Inquiries: N/A

Incident Reports: N/A

Projects / Events: Fido Float:

Discussion and decisions:

Do not use the instruction pool because many dogs are not adequate swimmers to truly utilize that pool. Recommendation was made that the large pool and Kiddie Pool be used for large dogs. The pool will handle 40 dogs.

If COVID protocol needs to be followed we need to check on the number of handlers allowed per dog.

Set up Friday will be 2pm.

Deb suggested ordering a few extra t-shirts for sale at the event. Discussion also included having a Fido Float yard sale of all previous t-shirts, bandanas, etc.

Business Items:

Orientation without Kathy: Kristen brought up the idea of having a true online Orientation developed to replace the monthly in-person sessions..

Discussion included the positives of participants having to answer questions about what they watch and learn, the ability to change the presentation if needed to current issues, to have modules of info so participants can/will focus on one area at a time, and opening membership to more monthly than just the max of the session participants.

Members agreed as a board we would need to work up the information to be presented as well as questions and answers. Kathy will check with Susie Danzis to see if she agrees with the program.

On a motion by Warren and seconded by Kristen the DPAB unanimously recommends to the BOS that a the Township/DPAB develop and offer an online DP Orientation Program in replacement of the current in person orientation.

Target date for use of the new program would be January 2022.

Bark Bytes: Discussion to change Bark Bytes to every other month. August/September issue would include Fido Float and suggestions about bringing Benadryl, or similar product to the DP

in case of bee stings. Include recommendation to check with your vet before giving any OTC meds.to your dog.

Rescue Group Days: Kathy reported she talked with Connie at Wags and we are looking at the end of August for a meet and greet. DPAB recommends making the week before a donation week at the DP.

Dog Amenities:

Kathy briefly brought up the idea of adding a tire as an obstacle would be a fun addition to each area in the DP. More discussion to happen at the next meeting.

Orientations:

August 14th Kathy & David September 9th Kathy & Warren October 2nd October 30th Kathy & Kristen

Adjournment: On a motion by Kristen, seconded by Warren and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

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