

Doylestown Dog Park Advisory Board Meeting Notes

October 2, 2017 New Conference Room in the Trailers

Attending:

Kathy Brown, David Cochran, Karen Sweeney, Deb McComas, Caroline Brinker, Katelyn Steck (via phone) and Barbara Lyons.

Meeting notes from September 11 were approved. Katelynn made the motion and David provided a second. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Correspondence, Member Inquiries, or Incident Reports – N/A

Projects/Events:

Bicentennial Project 2018 :

Kathy questioned if all read details for Dogs Around Doylestown Project so flyer can be put together. All agreed with details.

After discussion it was agreed to add: "Photo becomes the property of Doylestown Township and Borough".

Katelynn mentioned "Lassie" is a Bucks Co. dog from the past.

Fido Float Recap:

\$935.00 was raised at Fido Float.

Sub Committee Updates:

Orientation:

Caroline will add new dates as given.

David mentioned an older orientations date was still on the website. He questioned ease of finding dates of orientation on the website.

Events:

Howl-o-ween is October 21,2017. DPAB members should be there by 9 am.

Fundraising:

Magnets:

Katelynn received the new magnets.

She's giving them a trial run to test durability. So far so good.

Katelynn suggested using a dot on the magnets that are suitable for indoor use only.

She will let us know when the magnets are ready to go to the public again.

Other Business:

Dog Park App Misuse:

Karen reported the app was used for communication among members, which is a misuse. That misuse caused problems at the Township. Members need to address problems, etc. directly with the P&R. App communication will not be addressed by the Township.

Karen reported an email has been sent to members, who opted in for emails, addressing the problem.

David said he'll suggest George limit the number of characters allowed.

Member Roles and Responsibilities:

Roles and Responsibilities were discussed
Barbara suggested adding a description of the DP.
The mission will be reworked
The day of the monthly meeting will be added
Members were in agreement on document with changes.

Susie Danzis Canine Classes:

The trailer meeting room is not suitable for canine classes.
Other venues have been investigated. Getting room space at appropriate class times is difficult. Cost is prohibitive. It was recommended instructor pitch in.
In recognition of Susie Danzis' support of the DP and her years of voluntarily presenting DP orientation, Kathy suggested funds from DP membership be used to rent space.
DPAB members did not agree. It was suggested we look into what it would cost to pay for orientations and perhaps provide that amount toward facility cost.
Katelynn suggested the Plumsteadville Grange for the canine classes.
Further discussion will take place next meeting.

2018 Meeting Dates:

Members were asked to think about the time of the meetings next year. The day/date will remain the same.

Orientations: All at Borough Hall

Schedule:

Friday	October 27, 2017	at 5:30 pm	Kathy and Deb
Saturday	November 18, 2017	at 4:30 pm	Kathy, Andrew, Katelynn
Friday	January 5, 2018	at 5:30 pm	Kathy, Deb and David

New Business:

David reported that the rule sign needs replaced. Karen is already taking care of this.
David also mentioned DP members have asked him why children are not permitted in the DP pavilion. All agreed safety is most important and this will not change.

Karen mentioned the DP was not represented at the Blessing of the Dogs in Doylestown Borough. It was suggested that event be held at the DP in the future.

Meeting Adjourned 6:12 pm. Motion was made by Deb and seconded by David.