

EVANSVILLE DOG OWNERS GROUP

March 19, 2013 Board Meeting

Attendees: President Alice Rademacher, Carla Kleinschmidt, Debbie Wozniak, Nancy McGuyer, Bill Thomas, Modesto & Joyce Salaiz

Alice opened the meeting at 6 p.m.

Treasurer's Report:

- Carla reported a balance of \$2,516.05. Expenditures since the January meeting have been the monthly payments to Nix Sanitary Services.

Memberships:

- Current membership count is 115.
- Debbie gave 100 membership applications to PC Pound Puppies; they will start including one in each adoption packet.

President's Report:

- Alice met with Parks Director Denise Johnson on March 18:
 - Water at the dog park – cost is \$1,800 for the tap-in fee plus \$30/foot from First Avenue.
 - Future – even if the free public dog park is constructed on the east side, we can stay at Kleymeyer as long as we can support ourselves.

Old Business:

- Brochure Distribution Update – per Nancy, Kathy has been making deliveries.
- Banner Space Update – Alice will ask Karen & Pam to come to the next meeting to give an update.
- “Dog Poop Project” – there is a system that burns poop as methane. Bill agreed to write the grant.
- Info Board – there was a previous unanimous vote by e-mail for the info board to be installed by a high school senior as her class project. Reimbursement up to \$100. Alice suggested that more roofing be added to the board.
- Storage Building – discussed the building which could store lawn care equipment and hold meetings. One proposal is for a 12x20 building which costs \$4,465. It is \$206/month (rent to own) or 36 individuals could donate \$200 ea to purchase it. This was proposed but not passed.
- Application Wording – a few changes were made to the document and it was passed around the table for review. Alice will take it to Jenn to record the changes.
- Reserve Room Use Next Month – Debbie will reserve the library meeting room for future meetings.

- It was reported that the lights are now working properly at night.

New Business:

- Husky Group Use – an e-mail was received by an h2m2 group asking to use the dog park occasionally for Husky get-togethers. It was agreed to charge \$1/day/dog and all paperwork would be required. Alice will respond to the e-mail.
- Large Rubber Mats at Gateways in Park – discussed whether we should put more mats down and possibly put a base down under the mats. This topic is being tabled until we can see how the current mats are working.
- Spring Open House April 13 – will be open to the public. Suggested spending \$25-\$30 on hot dogs & soft drinks.
- Class Action Suit – Alice received an e-mail about a class action suit regarding Facebook. Since we're not sure it's legitimate and we have not seen any negative effects from anything Facebook has done, we are going to ignore it.
- Grass Cutting Contract – it was agreed to continue to hire MasterCut Lawn Care. Cost is \$110 per cut (every two weeks), and he trims every other cut. A motion was approved to have the lawn mowed for the open house, so the contract will be set for April 10 to October 11.
- Fundraising:
 - Parks Foundation – has money to spend on Kleymeyer Park. This topic was tabled.
 - Rain Barrel Contest – there will be an event at Mesker Park Zoo for Not for Profits to decorate a 55 gallon plastic drum for their group. No interest to work on this event was expressed.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:50

Submitted by Debbie Wozniak