

## **Peachtree City Dog Park Association**

Regularly scheduled business meeting of June 12, 2018

It was determined that a quorum was present and the meeting was called to order at 6:39pm.

In attendance were Vice President Maureen Kuebler, Treasurer Mark Schwartz, and acting secretary Rita Wilkinson as well as members Steve Brown and Bruce Kirby.

### **Old Business:**

1. Minutes from the April meeting were read and a motion made to approve those minutes unanimously carried.
2. Treasurer's Report: Total Deposits for May: \$385.62; expenses \$2004.94. Bank balance as of 5/31/2018: \$14,631.23. A motion made to approve the report unanimously carried.
3. Landscaping: Abby Landscaping was let go and Maureen and Mark are still searching for a new service. Bruce will try to get someone to mow ASAP on a one time basis.  
  
City added gravel to approach to front gate so mulch can be delivered, which it was, but trucks still get bogged down.
4. Fence mending: Mark S. has not been able to get in touch with Stanley (Semper's dad), who volunteered to help. A guide wire needs to be installed at the bottom. If Stanley can't be reached Steve may look for a teenager to be a handyman.
5. 4th of July parade: Maureen has registered for a parade entry and will drive her decorated car. Rita will also bring her golf cart with filled water containers for dogs. Maureen will purchase \$60 worth of candy. It was suggested that Walmart might donate some candy as well. A sign asking for other volunteers will be posted in the dog park. A banner might be found in the shed.
6. Mark's eagle scout friend is still planning to build and install a swing, which has a deadline in late June. No further information is known.
7. Mark Rogers resigned as secretary and will be thanked for his service.

### **New Business**

1. Tree trimming. Still waiting for public works to top the sweetgum tree next to the gazebo.
2. Cement pads around water faucets are needed.  
Maureen will be looking for estimates on cement pads. According to Steve, we must first remove the old, soft mulch, down to red clay (move to north side of sidewalk,) so a cement truck can pass through.

## 2. Membership drive

Steve will arrange for volunteers to staff a table (gate monitor) at the entrance for taking \$1 entry fees or signing up individuals for yearly membership. Signs will be posted, in advance, along the drive/path to alert patrons this is coming. Electronic devices are available (in storage) that volunteers can use to take in payments at the gate. Current list is needed. Accountability was wonderful during past years when this was in effect. A motion was made to proceed with this drive, seconded and passed.

## 3. Interim secretary

Rita Wilkinson was voted in to serve as interim secretary

Meeting adjourned at 8:20pm

## Other, random suggestions

Suggestions from Bruce to give a t-shirt or dog tag to members so other members can recognize them. People look for guidance in the park and it would be nice to know who was a park member or board member to ask for information. When membership was first created it was decided to keep it easy to avoid burnout of board members. Tags can be copied and they also must be replaced yearly with a different color or something to mark current membership, which is not easy for board members. So they opted for volunteers to collect dollars at the gate and offer membership. Volunteers had a list of current members to check against. Steve plans to reinstate this procedure. Tablets and phones can be used to process membership payments. Bruce suggested certifying vaccine information during membership drives and renewals. That is a requirement (though not verified) of the membership application. Steve reminded that if we request this information we become responsible for enforcing it.

Bruce suggested moving shed/concession stand into dog park to sell cokes, check memberships, etc. He wants something for human patrons to do in the park. Suggested that we should be encouraging a more European environment where food and drinks are allowed. Maureen offered a suggestion to have lemonade one day this summer for paying patrons/members and Steve mentioned having coffee in the past on cold winter days. The consensus was that once membership increases and the cement pads are installed around the water faucets we might have the funds for something like this.