



Friends of the Dog Parks Lincoln, NE

**Board Meeting – Minutes
28, October 2014 at 6:30 p.m.
Gere Library**

The meeting was **called to order** by President Peggy Neeman at 6:30 p.m.

In attendance (8)

Andre, J
Brasch, J
Campbell, A
Hansen, K
Hansen, L
Neeman, P
Wenzl, M
Wood, D

Absent (0)

Guests: Clay Witte

Approval of the Minutes

Minutes from the public meeting 09/30/2014 was emailed and handed out at board meeting. The minutes were not formally approved from previous meeting.

Vote to add Board Member

Peggy motioned to add Jordan Brasch to the board

Treasurer's Report (Wood)

Reported that she had been in contact with the Parks & Rec Foundation and spoke with Kristy Dinopoulos. Reported she was having inability of getting documentation showing the exact amount in the fund for FOTDP. The president and treasurer were having discrepancies on the dollar amounts they were coming up with and were going to confer outside of the group to match up their dollar amounts.

Received a letter from Parks & Rec stating a grant had been funded for \$1790 for fencing. That letter unchallenged says to the IRS that we were in receipt of these monies. However after research Deb found that only \$230 in grant money in the P&R Foundation and the rest of the money had been withdrawn. She was at the foundation office on the 30th of Sept.

Vice President's Report (Campbell)

Reported that she had been in contact with the Ellen Wright in regards to yellow poop bags supplied by Parks & Rec Foundation. Ellen stated that if we wanted to continue using the watershed bags they come in 200 bags per roll and previous order included:
12,000 bags (60 rolls) \$661.38

Comprehensive Planning Committee

Annette, Deb, Peggy and Jordan have all expressed an interest on being on this committee. At this time not clear how many members will be invited from the FOTDP and who the Parks & Rec will invite. Deb stated that she would like to see the group to come up with a model of a dog park or dog park upgrades to present to P&R. **Peggy will send an email to JJ to let him know who is all interested.**

Definition of Officer Duties/Responsibilities

Peggy stated that previously the duties were laid back and she went on to state "If we know what everyone is doing we were ok"

Deb's statement was "Not what we are doing, but what we are supposed to be doing and the time frame for it". She explained that her concern comes from her background of highly regulated industry of investments. With the 501C3 status we carry we need to be absolutely religious about our bookkeeping. Deb is concerned that we need to resurrect the secretary notes from the last couple of years in case we are audited.

Treasure – Current Book Keeping, Financing, Record Amounts, Visibility and Accountability
Secretary – Keeping ledger of everything

Request of each board member to come up with what they would like to see of each officer

Social Media Manager

The board is in search of someone that will be able to take over and manage responsibilities of the Facebook page and website. **Peggy stated that she will get something created and sent out.**

Updates

Dog Park Activities:

Have a weekend event to make PVC Pipes, will work with Clay Witte on the design.

Election of all new officers in March 2015:

Bylaws state that board members select officers each March and term is 1 year.

Deb stated nice to give option to others wanting to step up and be an officer.

Peggy stated she would like to be president for one more year.

Kelly stated we have a strong group and need to keep moving forward.

Jordan brought up the options of president elects and how most organizations have a President for a period of one year.

Annette stated she sees Peggy moving into President-Amerita

Fundraising

When the GLOC has the dog splash they have the ability to determine what organization they want to donate funds too.

Project Committee:

Annette stated we needed to get a project committee created to make PVC pipes

Open floor Questions or Comments:

Can bylaws be sent out to each person on the board?

Yes and Kelly will send out.

Are we having a Halloween Party?

No

What insurance is needed to have an event?

Deb stated she will look into this.

Need to request an itemized statement for the work done on the sidewalk.

Peggy or Deb?

Request that an email/phone call be sent to the board if unable to attend a meeting/event.

Reminder this is a volunteer group and most people on the board are still working full time.

Need to look up ADA requirements and laws

Next FOTDP Board meeting will be December 2nd.

Adjournment at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelly Hansen, Secretary
Board Member