

Colchester Dog Park Sub-Committee
Meeting Minutes
August 17, 2010
Town Hall

Attendees: Keith Kelly, Carol Small, Ginny Rogowski and Kim Previti

1. Meeting called to order at 7:10 PM by K. Kelly
2. Citizen Comments: None
3. Minutes from July 13th meeting approved.
4. Treasurer report: A. Nelson sent report via email. Our balance is \$3377.29. We have sold a total of 118 bricks (\$7512.28) and we made \$2444 at the Grand Opening. K. Kelly added that the balance reflects an outstanding purchase order for the porta-potties. We will be billed for the Rules sign when it is completed (approx \$360). We also need to order more 'poop' bags.
5. Signs:
 - a. Rules sign on order.
 - b. Discussion centered on many park users not knowing how to use the park or the bullpen. C. Small suggested a flyer in the bullpen area titled "How to Use the Dog Park" and K. Kelly said he had materials to make a holder for the flyers. He will get these materials to K. Previti. We need a committee to help write the flyer. Please email your contributions.
 - c. Other signs needed – in the bullpen, Close Gate Behind You, Small or Timid Dog Area. Each sign would be approx 12' x 18'' and cost \$18.00.
 - d. G. Rogowski has contact info. for sign company in K. Kelly's absence.
6. Maintenance: K. Kelly had to call J. Cohen to have the lawn mowed. It was done within a few days. If any committee member sees the lawn needing mowing or garbage removed, contact J. Cohen.
 - a. One porta-potty will stay thru summer. It was decided to have it removed October 1st.
 - b. Picnic tables have been donated. G. Rogowski has another table coming.
 - c. Does anyone have a contact for mulch? More is needed around the big cottonwood tree.
 - d. There is evidence of some dogs digging holes. Any committee member going to the park is asked to bring a rake or shovel and try to fix these holes.
 - e. At some point we need move gravel to finish the parking area and driveway. C. Small stated that there is grass and weeds growing around the center flowerbed.
 - f. K. Kelly was advised that there is a situation with the driveway. Upon inspection one area found to be 12%, not the 9% it should be. He has a surveyor looking into it for free.
7. Bricks: Half of the commemorative bricks are installed. J. Coufu needs a thicker brick (not the thin bricks) to complete. K. Kelly approved a \$700 expense to purchase a pallet of these thicker bricks. We will use left over bricks in other areas.

- a. J. Cohen has heard from State Farm Ins. that they are very dissatisfied about the bricks not being installed by the grand opening. He approved a refund to them. The committee decided that the refund should only be our profit from the bricks and that the finished bricks be delivered directly to them.
8. Up-Coming Events: To continue having events, C. Small and G. Rogowski stressed that we need new committee members. It is very hard to get enough people to cover our booth. The plan is to do a press release in the fall.
 - a. Tag Sale from Aug 14th did not have a good turnout.
 - b. Hot Dog Day of Summer at Scotties – C. Small reported that she still needs more volunteers to man the booth.
 - c. 57th Fest is set for Sat. Sep 25th 4-8 pm. We will need volunteers to help with the booth.
 - d. Pumpkin ‘n Pooches is Sun. Oct 3rd on the Green. Rain date is Oct 10th. Again, we need volunteers. The committee will pay for the application.
9. We now have our own web site. K. Kelly told us that the site and upkeep has been donated. The site is www.colchesterdogpark.com. G. Rogowski is the contact person.
10. K. Kelly will be away for the next meeting on Sep 14th. C. Small will also be absent. We hope that T. and A. Nelson will conduct the meeting.
11. Adjourned at 8:15 pm