

Omaha Dog Park Advocates
Oct 8, 2014
Swanson Library 6:00 p.m.

Present – Lynne Newlin, Jody Blakely, Mary Gibilisco, Jeff Lonowski, Ed Sikorski, Jim Kee, Bridget Jansen, Therese Pogge, D’Ann Lonowski

Hanscom – Fountains are still on. Middle part is still under repair.

Hefflinger – Fountains are still on. Dennis will get plans for the fountain/shelter area to Jim next week. For the Girl Scout project of agility we’d like to incorporate that into the plan for access from both sides so that will alter the plans Dennis will be getting Jim. Jim has asked for other manufacturers of shelters to see if they would cost less. Pettique signs were made, but there were spelling errors so they got sent back to the manufacture and are being redone. Small dog side is still under repair. May not be done until 2015. They did replace the zip tie with a padlock on the closed portion of the All Dog Side. Port a Potty is now back at Hefflinger. Someone planted two oak trees on the small dog side with flowers within the past week.

We will order Scoop the Poop signs with the ordinance on there, but Jim needs the credit card number. Hopefully with the city ordinance on the signs they will not be stolen. Ed suggested at least 30 be ordered.

Paint your Pet Night - The event sold out!!! 23 people. Our take is approx.. \$172.50 Will sell shirts and maybe left over raffle prizes. Jody will work with Bridget to get leftover raffle prizes out of Bridget’s office and into the storage shed.

NHS Dog Walk – Sept 28. Raised minimum of \$157.00. ODPa members touched based with several people about SBP.

Grant Opportunities – We are now an award winning Non-Profit so we need to mention this on the grants we apply for.

Old / New Business – Poo pick up with Petsmart raised \$41. Omaha By Design is interested in putting in a dog park in Fontenelle & someone in southwest Omaha is going to contact home owners association about putting in a dog park in Walnut Grove. . Pug-o-ween is October 26th and is sponsored by Green Spot it is at the Armory. GRRINN’s event is October 12th in Lincoln.

We’d like to see if we can join the Hanscom/Ford Birth Site home owners association for their annual Chili feed in November to celebrate the anniversary of the opening of the Hanscom Bark Park. We’d like to do the leaf rake, but the leaves may not be down. We also never have the time or materials to get all of the leaves bagged so we are considering not doing this if we can have another way of honoring the anniversary of Hanscom’s Bark Park.

Elections: VP, Treasurer and Public Information officer are up for election this year. Nominations can be made online. To be a candidate, you must have attended at least 2 meetings in the past year or are a current member of the executive committee.

Agility Course – Tori is working with Jeff. The project may not be done until 2016.

Spring Bark in the Park – 3 vendors are signed up. D’ann has a list of all businesses with the SIC codes for those who deal with pet industry. Bridget planted the seed with Rais’n Cane’s to be the food vendor.