

Omaha Dog Park Advocates
February 13, 2013
90th & Dodge Swanson Library 6:00 p.m.

Present –Jeff Lonowski, Lynne Newlin, Bridget Jansen, Jody Blakely, Mary Gibilisco, Jim Kee

Park Maintenance:

Hanscom –It was reported to the website that the lock on the middle gate had been broken allowing access to the section currently undergoing renovation. John stated that they opened the middle section. Bridget will double check with the city to see which is correct

Hefflinger – Bridget has been playing phone tag with the Boy Scout who wanted to do the shelters.

Events – Spring Bark in the Park, Pool party, St. Patrick's Day Parade. Paula Steenson of Paula Presents has spoken with Fun Plex and we would have to meet certain stipulations to have an event there. Provided we can afford Paula and can meet their stipulations and the cost fun plex will charge us is something we think we can make back in the fund raiser we'd like to do the event. Bridget will ask the city to stripe the Hefflinger parking lot in hopes of helping out the Spring Bark in the Park parking situation.

St. Patrick's Day Parade is 3/16. Check in at 8 at Soggy Paws.

Petiquette Signs –.Bridget wants to meet with the city before she gives them the updated sign.

Spring Bark in the Park Paula Presents: Jeff almost has the flyer done. \$10 per dog. We are not doing discounts. Bridget will get the directional signs we have made again as most didn't make it through the last event. Jody's husband was volunteered to create permanent signs that will be tall enough to be seen from afar. We would like to put signs announcing the closing of the park for the event up by the end of March. Bridget added this event to Facebook.

Omaha Storm Chaser's event and Dining with Dogs are also on Saturday April 27th.

Bridget did ask a poll at Facebook asking about closing the park when it is muddy and we got an interesting response – the 5 who responded said to close it.

Jeff will create an event to the St. Paddy Day parade on Facebook. We'd like to put something up at the parks announcing this parade and asking for participants.

Next SPB meeting is at Panera at 78th & Dodge 2/26 at 5:30.

I Love My Dog Expo is 2/23 & 2/24 at the Lancaster County Event Center. Bridget & Jody plan to check it out.