



**Omaha Dog Park Advocates  
August 9, 2017  
Swanson Library, 6 p.m.**

**Present** – Lynne Newlin, Mickey Merriam, Jim Kee; Eliza Burr, Mary Gibilisco, Theresa Pogge, Sarah Cooper. Bob Denney

**Hanscom** – Play, Inc. provided a cost range to install SynLawn Artificial Turf on the hills of the All Dog Sides.

They would build this using a terrace style with stair-steps. These are budget estimates for our planning purposes. If it's within the range of strong interest they would bring out equipment to laser the area for official grade measurements, and also discuss the exact boundaries for where the turf would begin & end.

These are low to high ranges (assuming no official engineering is required to acquire permits) including turn-key installation with turf & all labor.

Smaller area (with longer concrete slab) - \$47,400 - \$57,000

Bigger area (with smaller concrete slab) - \$78,800 - \$88,000

\*If you did both areas at the same time, we could likely offer a package discount due to labor efficiencies & equipment rental savings.

It is doubtful ODPA will be able to afford this, but the numbers are out there should funding be found or the city be interested.

The City did notify us they are going to aerate and seed all three sides on 8/15 & 8/16. No word on if any side will be closed to allow the grass to take root.

**Hefflinger** – Ben is meeting Aug 17<sup>th</sup> with Dennis at 8:30 a.m. Jim will find out if a dog park representative is needed at the meeting.

The original fountain is dripping in the small dog park so we now have both fountains that are leaking. Bob still needs help moving a picnic table in the small dog park and will meet Jim out there on Sunday at 11.

The A frame built by another Boy Scout is laying in the closed All Dog Side and they will attempt to bring that over to the open side of the All Dog Side.

Still need another trash can for the small dog area at the entrance.

**Pub Crawl** – Was postponed until Sept 26<sup>th</sup> due to the heat on July 25<sup>th</sup>.

**Fundraisers / Save the date** – Paint your Pet at Cheers Paint & Sip will be Sunday October 22<sup>nd</sup> starting at 2  
[https://occ.sn/s6\\_hg1yz](https://occ.sn/s6_hg1yz)

**Benson Days** – Jim, Mickey, Mary and Bob worked the tent. We collected \$81.26 in donations. Got rid of all the reflectors.

**Dog Daze of Summer** – Lynne posted the event and call for volunteers to Next Door. We have had 15 inquiries from Volunteer Match and 20 people have signed up via Sign Up Genius as of Tuesday, Aug 8<sup>th</sup>. Historically 60% of the volunteers show so that means we can count on 13. Four are staying all day.

Sarah has 20 Vendors.

Every hour we will have 15 minutes of silence between the music on the large stage. The little stage is also available to announce raffles.

We will do at least games from 12:30 to 4:30 and charge \$1 for three tickets. It will be a ticket a game. We have 17 raffle baskets, plus a \$50 gift certificate from Green Spot. Lynne has not heard from Costco about a raffle prize. They were to decide this week.

**New Business:** - Elections are this November and nominations are open. As the positions of Vice President, Treasurer and Public Information officer are already open and it is the year to elect President and Secretary and the Member at Large positions are one year terms, all positions are open. You must attend two meetings to be eligible to serve and be able to help out with the fundraisers.

New and updated business cards have been made along with an updated tri-fold pamphlet.