

## MVDPS Annual Meeting

Sunday April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018 1:00pm Enfield Community Building

Present: Board Members: Marcia Herrin, Larissa Pyer, Marcy Innes, Melanie Ossman, Terri Lynch; Dave Beaufait, Moderator; Jack Kauders, Esq.; Addi Faerber, Watson Dog Park Liaison; 23 voting members.

### Agenda:

1:00 – 1:07: Welcome and Introductions: MH

1:08 – 1:13: President's Report: MH

- New signs, revamp of tunnel Mt., new kiosks.
- New bylaws and safety procedures
- Review of volunteering opportunities, fundraisers, events.
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1:14 – 1:16: Bylaws discussion & vote: JK, Esq.

- Amended bylaws approved by majority vote.

1:17 – 1:20: Revised Park Rules: MH

- Question: OzH- how will we evaluate new rule after one year trial?

We will use incident report forms.

- No voting, this has already been decided by the selectmen, April 2018

1:21 – 1:28: Safety Protocol: MH

- Review of incident report forms and how to report.
- No vote, approved by selectmen, April 2018

1:29 – 1:45: Financial Report: LP

- Review of financial statement
- Question- OzH, people using porta-potty who aren't part of park. It's a problem.
- Addi, comment about similar costs at Watson Park. Comparison of poop bag costs.
- Upcoming possible project is shade solutions for large dog park.
- LP looking into corporate sponsorships this year.
- Pat (member)-Eagle Scout project suggestion.
- Reapply for Petsafe grants in 2019.

1:46 – 1:47: Membership: LP

- Memberships on the decline. 55 to 60 this year. On track to hit goal of 100 members in 2018.

1:47 – 2:07: 2018 Events and Fundraising: MH

- Discussion:

Idea: OzH- Pro-bono organizations that might help park? We have been unsuccessful so far.

JH- It's hard to get donors. Lean on people and make them feel guilty.

OzH: Find organizations, dog organizations like Flyball, orgs that need venues.

Paul O: Tractor Supply Store has adoption day, adoption day at the park? We have tried to get UVHS to come.

MelO: Event day at the park is a good idea.

Pat- Soccer field next door is also a way to coordinate with their events. Connect with Realtors.

OzH- Also, Shaker Mus. hunting dog exhibition for example. Coordinate with them.

Contact Larissa P with ideas for events

Member comment- Coordinate/advertise at large apartment buildings in Lebanon and surrounding area.

OzH- Car decals needed.

- Review of 2018 events. We need volunteers to help out.

2:07 – 2:07: New Business: Moderator

- NONE

2:08 – 2:20: Election of Board Members: Moderator

- All board members elected or re-elected by unanimous vote.
  - President - Marcia Herrin
  - Vice President - Marcy Innes
  - Treasurer - Larissa Pyer
  - Secretary - Melanie Ossman
  - Member at Large - Paul Osgood