

Minutes of the SVDP Committee
March 7, 2016, 6:00 PM

Call to Order

The meeting was call to order by Kay Boyce

Present: Kay Boyce, Mary West, Zoltan Keve, Bob Owens, Bill Blackmore, Erica Eulau Richard, Sara Blum, and Marilene Luxton-Jones

Approval of Minutes

Motion 1: To approve the minutes from the last meeting.

Moved by Zoltan Keve, Second by Bill Blackmore

Passed unanimously

Calendar Sales Summary

Profit for sales was \$1,844.00.

Discussion on Calendar 2017

The committee discussed that the calendar project was extremely labor intensive. It was suggested to mass market the calendars next year, the need to get calendars out at least a month earlier, and to solicit dog park photos all year long. The steps for the project were reviewed. The committee will look at alternative fundraisers to offset the calendar proceeds, if a 2017 calendar is not produced. Zoltan and Bob offered to help with the calendar. A flier to solicit photos is needed. It was suggested that an envelope be inserted in future calendars to solicit donations and/or photos

Fundraising Projects

Fundraiser modeling Shelburne Museum Goes To The Dogs in being considered that would have vendor booths, food and drinks. The small park could be used for the vendors or the vendors could set up in the dog park parking lot. The committee is considering offering sponsorship packages. The date may be at the end of August after Shelburne day, August 27. The committee will continue to work on the calendar and the fundraiser event and see which moves forward.

Entrance Landscaping Project

There maybe problem excavating the front area outside of the of park. A permit will be required to beautify front area possibly because of wetlands. Invasive plants can be removed and can be cutback back. Kay will continue to follow up to find out what we can do and will find out if this area is in the wetlands.

Vaillancort tree and landscape did work on trail and cleared the area by the maintenance gates for the electric company and placed a bed of chips there. They will bring chips to the dog park when they are doing work in the area.

Agility Equipment

The committee was asked to considering placing agility equipment at end of the dog park. Some equipment can be dangerous to dogs if not used properly. Someone will be invited to talk to committee

about some basic equipment for park. This equipment is not inexpensive and needs more research and input from experienced people. If equipment is added to the park it will be intended to be a fun stimulation for the dogs, however there could be special events. SVDP owns more land that could possibly be turned into an agility area.

Spring Clean Up

There will be a spring cleanup day; however it is too early to schedule it.

A tree fell down in park and landed on the fence. It did no damage. Park got permission to take down the dog park sign and move it closer to the park.

Adjournment

Motion 2: To adjourn

Moved by Sara Blum, Second by Zolton Zeve