Shelburne Village Dog Park Committee Board Meeting Monday, January 10, 2022 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall (and via Zoom)

The meeting was called to order by Bob Owens, Committee Chair, at 6:32 p.m.

Members Present: Bob Owens, Lisa Williams, Cheryl Gibson, Roz Graham, Laura Parks, Karen Medsker

Public Comments: None

Minutes of the December, 2021 meeting were unanimously approved.

**Financial Update:** Bob reported that we have \$4,063.11 in the bank.

## **Invasive Species:**

We are prohibited from doing anything until spring. We could cut, but chemical application cannot be done in winter, and the application needs to be done immediately after cutting. We are waiting for the state to redraw the map showing the exact location of buffer and wetland within the park, as this will affect the cost of the permits. Tina Heath (State of Vermont) is not available due to COVID in her family.

We need to wait for the town meeting to see if the requested budget item of \$3K is approved in next year's budget (starts July 1, 2022); this is to pay for the second half of the \$6K treatment cycle.

Cheryl will reach out to Bob Hyames of Habitat Restoration Solutions, and Bob will reach out to Greg Renallo of Teachers Tree Service to let them know of the delay.

Meanwhile, we can tag invasive plants. Buckthorns come in more than one variety, so we need to use tree identification guides.

Lisa is working on identifying all regular volunteers in the park and providing small tokens of appreciation to them. She will get a \$25 gift card for Charlene (last name?) and will pursue the total list of volunteers. We also discussed publicizing our volunteers on Facebook, in the Shelburne News, and on our website.

Lisa used material she had in her basement to block an area of the gate or fence where dogs are getting through.

Adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Recorded by Karen Medsker