

Hannah's Bark Park Advisory  
Minutes April 18, 2016

Present: John Dinse, Lynn Simons, Sue Gamble, Ryan Longoria  
Absent: Hofmeister, Lyndall, Alwood

The meeting began at 6:15 pm.

A complaint was made to the police and subsequently made to the Parks and Rec Department regarding a human incident at Hannah's Dog Park. Multiple rules were violated, regarding toys in the park. It is unclear which version of the story is accurate, but it appears that both parties handled some aspects of the situation poorly. Allegations were of use of foul language, placing toys or leashes that belonged to others in inaccessible places, and physical violence between the parties. Both parties met with Ryan and agreed to leave the park if they arrived and the other party was present in the park. However, this appeared to be in dispute by the female party who subsequently contacted Ryan and expressed concern that the male had not been permanently removed from the park.

The Advisory Board noted that the police had intervened and that there was no clear picture of the accuracy of the allegations. The Board believed that asking both parties to sign an agreement to not be in the park simultaneously was the best plan. Ryan will schedule those and see that both parties sign the agreement to leave if they arrive and the other individual is present.

Membership for the dog park is now at 264 annual members with 33 weekly members. All consider this a great success.

The education presentation by Kelly Moss was well received. It was agreed to work to have this repeated, and videotaped so that it can be shared with new members and be available for others to view. It was decided that efforts will be made to thank Kelly with a thoughtful gift.

The survey is completed and results will be distributed to Friends of the Dog Park for review.

It was agreed that a Friends of the Dog Park event at the park could be considered. It was agreed that some aspects of suggested events in the past

may be problematic such as alcohol and unregistered dogs. FDP will work closely with Ryan to plan an event that is good for the community.

We will review financials at the next meeting and will schedule this meeting when financials are ready.

We briefly reviewed a suggestion from a dog park participant to require additional training and education before new members can become members. Agreed to table that for more discussion.

The next meeting will be scheduled by Ryan.

Meeting ended at 7:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Simons