

## Meeting Minutes for April 15, 2021 7:00 PM-9:05 PM

### Dog Park Committee Meeting

- Members Present at Meeting:
  - Steve Darcy, Michael Moresco, Griffin Webb, Greg Guimond, Erin Fitzpatrick
- Organization of Dog Park Committee:
  - Chairman- Michael Moresco
  - Vice Chair- Erin Fitzpatrick
  - Secretary- Griffin Webb
- Michael discussed Stanton Foundation and the history
  - Cannot use Stanton Foundation Funds for “Structure” purposes.
- Committee looking for ways to get people involved in the dog park:
  - Volunteers to maintain dog park; Replenish wood chips, cleaning, maintenance
  - Michael brought up the idea of a website to show people the progress of the park and look for donations of bricks, trees, benches, etc. Possibly have name plates on trees and benches.
  - Erin added we could have t-shirts made for volunteers.
- Reviewed the Dog Park Site Plan and narrowed down materials:
  - Dog run surfaces- Committee Leaning towards EWF wood chips as most effective footing.
  - Walkway Surfaces- Mostly Asphalt w/ Heat reducing polymer paint, with the exception of some areas using concrete. Greg said some areas with a slope will need concrete such as the connection between the entrance gates, and the ball run.
    - Griffin mentioned that we want to ensure the walkway surface is cool enough for dogs' paws.
  - Landscape Area and Shading- Looking into types of trees that we can use and prices: possibly one in the center of park but may be challenging with slope of park.
    - Committee would like some flowers or something inviting around the park.
  - Furnishings- Committee looking into types of furnishings we want to use if any.
  - Fence- Looking to get a quote for having the whole park equipped with Black vinyl fencing/ or gate areas with vinyl fencing and dog run area with cedar.
  - Parking lot in the plan is half paved, and half stone dust. Might see if we can get the whole parking lot paved.
  - Greg mentioned that the entrance gates may need to be separated from one another.
    - Michael is going to get quotes, and more information on the above ideas for next meeting.
- Michael is going to look into what needs to be ADA compliant such walkways, dog runs, etc.
- Griffin is waiting for a quote from LAN-TEL on cameras, and access control (Key Fobs).
  - Griffin looking for a quote for 5 cameras. Possibly two 180 degree cameras in the center of the park to view the whole park, and cameras by the entrance to capture people entering the park.

- Will need a structure to close in camera equipment. Michael said we may be able to get into another facility's wifi. If not Griffin got a rough quote of \$138.39 monthly for wifi and static IP at dog park from Comcast.
- The committee discussed lighting for the park. Michael thinks a light lower to the ground to reduce light pollution would be ideal. Talked briefly about light posts if any, and if cameras can be mounted on the same post.
  - Lighting could deter vandalization of the park
  - Matt Parent is going to be consulted on the lighting.
- Committee discussed where we would get our water from:
  - Could tap into the water line on commerce way, and run to the splash pad. Would also like water spigots in each dog run for normal maintenance of park

Michael believes we will get about \$250,000 from Stanton foundation. Steve said CPC will contribute \$50,000 and may be able to do more.

- Committee looking into dog waste removal. Will republic take this? We want to have some trash cans dedicated to dog waste, and bags on site.
- Steve emailed a quote that the committee would like to have on a stone at the dog park.
- Michael is looking into the pavilion at south river park to get dimensions, and to see who built it. Committee interested in seeing if someone would volunteer labor to build it. Greg estimates the Pavilion at S. River park to be 18x28.

Next meeting is scheduled for April 29th at 6:30 PM.  
Roll Call Vote to Adjourn Meeting