

# MINUTES

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## FIVE CITIES DOG PARK ASSOCIATION

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January 26, 2011, 6:00 p.m.

Location: Parks & Rec Admin Bldg

Board Members Present: Maureen Sharon, Beth Salzgeber, Steve White, Jared Sharon, Mary Ricker, Emma Valdivieso, Susan Howe, Carl Tucker, Kate Shurson

Absent: Linda Hagerty, Suzanne McFarlane

### I. Introductions

Members of the Board and audience introduced themselves, said how often they visited the dog park, and what kind of dog they have.

### II. Current Business

- a. Approval of the December 17 Minutes. The Minutes were approved.
- b. Maintenance Report. Thirteen dump truck loads of bark were delivered and spread in the large dog park. That is a total of 20 loads to date. Twenty four volunteers, plus other park users, helped spread the bark. **Carl and Maureen will purchase the 2 x 12 wood, etc., to enclose portions of the bark area and volunteers are needed to prime and paint the wood from 8 a.m. on, Saturday, Jan. 29. Sawhorses, rollers, brushes, tarps, roller pans, etc., are needed.**
- c. Pismo Beach Dog Park Update. The City Council included a dog park in the City's preliminary two year budget. They received many emails from people supporting the park (good job, FCDPA members!). Two potential sites were identified, the Price House property, and the land behind the new medical center on James Way. **Two upcoming meetings are critical and dog park enthusiasts' attendance and support is critical. The meetings are:**  
  
**Thursday, Feb. 3, 6:00, the PB Parks, Recreation and Beautification Commission, at the City Council Chambers, 760 Mattie Way. The Commission makes recommendations to the Council; and**  
  
**Tuesday, Feb. 15, 5:30, the City Council, at the Council Chambers. At this meeting, the Council will adopt its two year budget and we want to show support for the inclusion of a dog park. Kate will draft a reminder of these important meetings for the membership.**
- d. Responsibilities of board members (revised). Thanks were given to Beth for all her hard work.

### III. New Business

- a. Review of Bylaws and February election of officers. The Bylaws were unanimously approved. Maureen encouraged anyone who is interested to volunteer to be on the Board. There are vacancies for Vice President, Membership and at-large members.
- b. Nominations of new board members and review of openings for board positions. Revised job descriptions were available for review and the **election will be in Feb.**
- c. **Thank you event to honor volunteers, Feb. 9 at Me & Zee's, Grand and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 6:00.** A sign up sheet is in the shed, and **a count of attendees is needed.**
- d. Flea Bag Flea Market - March 12, 8:00 - 12:00. Ray Quintana will chair the event, with assistance

from Emma. Suzanne will publicize the event. People are asked to save plastic bags, items to sell, and contact Emma to volunteer. Mary Ricker offered to arrange for pick up of unsold items and to wait for the truck. It was decided to sell coffee and pastries (donated by Starbucks and volunteers, respectively). Both JoAnn and Beth have leftover supplies, which they will get to Emma. Emma asked members to bring items for the sale to the next meeting and she will store them in her trailer. She also asked for volunteers to help staff a booth in the dog park on Feb. 26 to advertise the Flea Market. Donations will also be solicited. Flyers will be put up in the park (Lenny Jones donated 4 holders).

e. License Plate News. An email went out to the membership explaining the program.

f. Anything Else? [the animalrescue site.com](http://theanimalrescue.com), is having a contest to donate food to animal shelters. Woods is one of the contenders. **Members can vote every day.**

**La Perla in Shell Beach is having an animal blessing day on Feb. 5 from 1:00-3:00. They need volunteers. Suzanne will publicize the event.**

Member Trisha Coffee delivered a girl, Tali May, in early January.

**Kate will draft a letter to Mayor Ferrara for Maureen's signature**, requesting the status of the additional potential dog park sites mentioned during the Beneful contest.

Two new benches have been installed; a sponsorship for one is available for a donation of \$1500.

**Susan will call the McMullins, who donated a bench, and see what they would like the plaque to say. Beth will let Susan know how many letters can be used. Another member earned a plaque on the donor wall and Maureen will ask her what she would like it to say.**

#### IV. Other Board Business

a. Treasurer's Report. Donations from the dog boxes totaled \$2875 for 2010. The balance as of 12/31/10 is \$13,300. Michael Bellingham built the boxes and also poured the concrete pads. **Anyone having his contact information, please provide to Carl.**

b. Membership is approximately 650 people.

#### C. SLOPOST REPORT

Maureen reported SLOPOST has increased the amount of the one year, no interest loans they will give to assist new projects. The new amount is up to \$15,000.

#### ADJOURNMENT

**\*\*Action items shown in Bold**