



DOG PARK COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday June 25th 4PM

Virtual Meeting

Present:

Tom Gillispie, Chair

Karen Martin, Vice Chair

Clare Siska

Mike Perry

Joan Gardner

Fred Kinch

Chair: Introduction to virtual meeting logistics at 4:05.

I. Regular Business

1. Review of previous meetings' minutes- 6/11 meetings were approved unanimously with minor edits.

II. New Business

1. Presentation to Main Street site neighbors by Tom.

The committee asked for feedback by the neighbors about the proposal.

Concerns:

- Appears nothing has changed; neighbors not convinced the dog park should be on Main Street.
- One neighbor has met with the Town Manager.
- Issue with Isaac Davis Way- not for public access
- Neighbors have supported the AHA proposal
- Neighbors asked committee to continue to look for other spaces
- Noise
- Will dogs have shots and be registered? Dogs biting.
- Creating an urban situation in a rural area
- Traffic and congestion
- Cost of landscaping the two parcels
- Land for dog use available in Acton
- Not all issues in letter to the BoS opposing the dog are addressed in the presentation
- Park will be a mess.

Tom then continued the presentation addressing the concerns brought up in the past and questions others have had. He reviewed the research and fact finding done with other dog park committees.

2. Bumper stickers and biz cards- the committee reviewed the bumper sticker and logo. Karen working with Kelly Goodwin will arrange printing.
3. An ADPC member will attend AHA meeting.
4. New drawings developed by Cathy Fochtman and inserted in the presentation to the Main Street neighbors.
5. Pump track at 70 Quarry Road-update was given on the presentation of the pump track to the BoS.
6. Handling expenses- Karen offered to be the process payments and reimbursements with the Acton Recreation Department. Karen will find out the amount of monies in the gift account.

III. **Schedule Future Business**

1. Next meeting 7/9 via Zoom at 3:00PM and 7/23 at 4:00 PM.
2. Get on BoS schedule.
3. Attend 7/28 AHA meeting.

IV. **Citizens' Concerns**

1. Time permitting, members of the public are welcome to provide input or raise questions or concerns about the committee's work.

V. On town's docushare:

Main Street Neighbors Presentation
Letter Matt Post presented to the BoS.

Adjournment

At 5:32, it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Martin