



DOG PARK COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 3, 2024 7:00 PM

Virtually via Zoom

Present:

Tom Gillispie, Chair

Karen Martin, Vice Chair

Clare Siska

Absent:

Dean Charter

Fred Kinch

Guests:

Cathy Fochtman

Jeff Bergart

Nadia Bynes

Thomas Begin

Dennis Dale

Opening

Chair Tom Gillispie called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM. The ADPC Committee Members and guests introduced themselves. Nadia Bynes, potential new member, Dennis Dale, Landscape Architect and Designer, Jeff Bergart, representing the Senior Park and COA Representative, Thomas Begin, Assistant Town Manager, and Cathy Fochtman, Chair of Friends of the Acton Community Dog Park.

New Business/Old Business Updates

- a. Happy New Year!
 - b. Quick Agenda Review/Clarification
 - c. Introducing Thom Begin – Assistant Town Manager- He will support the town manager and help facilitate the work of the town and the ADPC. Clare asked who will serve as Stanton contact. John M. will continue in that capacity
 - d. Debrief from CPC presentation-positive feedback. Tom will provide a breakdown of the \$60,000. to the CPC. Dog Park is a high leveraged project.
 - e. Design update/work
- Stanton Communications-Stanton has asked timeline for going out to bid.
 - Sewer Extension update-MASS Dot approval expected in January
 - Stormwater management design- In good shape and ready to be officially stamped.
 - NOI/Cons Com- able to schedule meeting with stamped stormwater design
 - Parking lot entrance Can someone remember what was said? My mother called and I took her call. Thanks in advance.
 - “Future Home of” sign work-sign is ready, Clare and Cathy have updated website. Committee shared how they can help in the process of getting the banner up.
 - Financial happenings –Plan for approaching businesses. Two business have contacted the dog park. Need to review Stanton rules.

Regular Business

Committee Updates

Friends-meeting next week.

NOI- discussed.

Rec. Plan- information provided for plan.

Senior Park- No meetings for the next few months.

Tom reviewed the process for applying to be a member of a town committee. Nadia will review and will contact members if any questions.

Approval of minutes for December 13th deferred to next meeting.

Next Meeting: Wednesday 1/24

Citizens' Concerns- None

Adjournment

At 8:07, it was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved Unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Martin