

## Dog Park Board Meeting

July 17, 2006

Board Members present: Anne, Jack, Frank, Kelly, Shayamala, Rob, and Walt. Irene, George and Rick were not present.

### TASKS

1. Anne
  - a. Call for an order of woodchips
2. Jack
  - a. Follow up with contacts re: (1) cement and (2) electric, and get estimates.
  - b. Look into renting a chipper
3. Frank
  - a. Close the old account (after checks clear)
4. Kelly
  - a. Set dates for park clean-ups
  - b. Send out a save the date email for park clean-ups (mid-September (9/16), mid-November (11/11), mid-March (3/24), mid-May (5/19)) (and hang sufficient posters well in advance to advertise)
  - c. If Kelly wants to organize the dog wash fundraiser, she will send an email to the membership asking for volunteers.
  - d. Setting Up a Table to Collect Dues: make a sign up sheet and bring to next meeting.
5. Shayamala
  - a. Follow up with contacts re: cement and get estimates.
6. Rob
  - a. Look into renting a chipper
  - b. Design and print meet the board poster

### AGENDA

1. **Scheduling of workdays**
  - a. **Seasonal timing and How to encourage others to join in on those workdays**
    - i. The Board decided, at minimum, that we'd do 4 workdays a year, from 10am-12pm: Mid-September mid-November, mid-March, mid-May. Check w/ liberty lands (music festival is Sept. 9). Kelly will set the dates and send out a save the date email, and make signs well in advance of the workdays to ensure better participation (Anne will send info on NLNA carwash on 8/5 to include).
2. **Sidewalks**
  - a. **Estimates: Kelly.** We received a detailed estimate from AvantGardens today for repairing the sidewalks. This is for the approx. 1375 sq. ft. I estimated needed repair (out of approx. 2650 TOTAL sq. ft. of sidewalk we have). TOTAL estimate, including labor + installing 13 bollards + planting 7 trees is \$14.5K. Total w/out trees is \$12,600. Breakdown: (1) Supplies: \$6819 (including 7 trees); \$4894 (excluding trees); (2) Labor: \$5980, (3) Other (equipment rental, delivery, setup etc.): \$1730.
    - i. Shayamala and Jack will also follow up re: some contacts they might have that do cement and get estimates.
  - b. **Fundraiser?** Frank had the idea to sell "dog prints" – e.g. have dogs put their pawprints in wet cement for say \$20.
  - c. **Bollards:** Anne spoke with Leo Rezzi – does metalwork + is an electrician. He met with Anne about possibly doing the bollard work.
3. **Lighting -- Anne.**

- a. See above re: meeting w/ Leo Rezzi. He suggested 3 methods for lighting: (1) overhead – 12 to 16 feet above, (2) dug 12" into the ground (would need a backhoe), or (3) run along garage from street (possibly the best option). Suggested looking at survey – likely is a party wall and we have a right to it. Most inexpensive/efficient is high pressure sodium (??); could put a timer.
  - b. Jack just got the names of 2 electricians who do work w/ outdoor lighting today. He will follow up w/ them to get an estimate.
  - c. Follow up w/ NLNA re: piggybacking on their lighting efforts – Anne has discussed with NLNA but they are likely on a slower schedule than us.
- 4. Texas Hold-em fundraiser -- Walt.**
- a. Walt is looking into it – plans for the fall.
- 5. Treasurer's report -- Frank.**
- a. He sent it by email.
  - b. He has not yet closed the old account. He wrote a check to Anne for the majority of the funds for her to deposit in the new account. He will wait to close the old account (so checks clear).
- 6. Garden gate and fence update -- Rick.**
- a. Rick was not here to give an update.
- 7. How the filming went -- Rob.**
- a. Rob talked w/ Katie – said all went well. They will be editing through August and then editing over winter-spring. They will let us know if there is an opportunity for members to view the film somewhere locally. They have not sent in the negotiated \$45 donation, but Katie said they plan to send in the check soon.
- 8. Tree trimming and chipping -- Jack & Rob**
- a. Chipper – Rob and/or Jack will look into renting a chipper, but b/c of vacations, will probably get to it in mid-late August.
- 9. Wood chips**
- a. Anne called for another order of woodchips.
- 10. Meet the Board Poster**
- a. Rob is designing it, and will do it soon!
- 11. Dog-wash**
- a. Kelly suggested perhaps holding a "Dog-Wash" fundraiser. Maybe Aug. 19th? Shayamala may be available; others weren't sure. If Kelly wants to organize, she will send an email to the membership asking for volunteers.
- 12. August meeting**
- a. Enough will be here to have – Anne will be out of town, so the meeting will be at either Rob or Kelly's.
- 13. Setting Up a Table to Collect Dues**
- a. We discussed setting up a table over a series of weekends to increase visibility of the Board and to collect dues from members (as we did during sales for the Beef & Beer). Several Board members got positive feedback from members about doing so. We decided to do it a few weekends in a row in September. Kelly will make a sign up sheet and bring to next meeting.