

**Tri-City Dog Park Society
Board Meeting
6:30pm Wednesday, March 6th, 2013
Held At Pet Over Population**

Attending Board:

Dave Cazier, President, Lynsey Hyson, Secretary, Alexandra Olsen, Treasurer, Bill Bell, Vice President

Attending Memberships:

Jan Davis, Vicki Dahl, Tom Marocchini, Aimee Oropeza, Debbie Sackmann, Charlene Clark, Storme Simmons, Hal Flora, Brianna Potts, Eric Fahsl

Old Business:

***Treasurer's Report:**

Income: \$1,006.02 (Donations, dues and T-shirt)

Expenses: \$10.47 (Paypal)

Balances

Checking: \$5,076.45

PayPal: \$557.75

Savings: \$7,689.21

Total: \$13,323.41

*Minutes were approved from last meeting

*Michelle's brochures were approved. We are waiting for her input.

***Parks Department:**

*The city council meeting went well. We presented the check for gates and the work order has gone in for installment.

*Eagle scouts will hopefully volunteer to replace the sod in the big dog park

*The entrance from Englewood to the dog park will be closed. The only way is off Keene and to walk up. The lower gates are open.

*The city wants the dog park rules to be city park rules for the dog park. We want to know if these "laws" are broken will there be fines handed out.

Fundraisers:

*Deserts at Texas Roadhouse and Red Robin are still in the works per Bill.

*50/50 raffle-we are waiting to find out if any of the sponsors will pick us up to participate.

*We will have no presence at the Furrball since it is a POPP only event. Also we will not be doing the spaghetti feed at Sageport grill. Tom will look into other options like McGills or even see if Applebees will do the pancake feed again.

*We will set up a table at the pooch and pal walk to get memberships and donations. Alexandra will man the table. Lynsey will have a doggie gift basket for silent auction. We will also sell water and try our new paypal swipe thing.

***How's the park**

*Poop has gotten better

*Our new signs will be hung by end of March at the dog park. We can hang them anywhere with no city approval needed.

New Business

Partnership program:

*The application is due March 20th and we all agreed to get the maximum \$5,000 and we will match that with \$5,000.

*Our main priority is fixing the big dog park entry way. We discussed getting pavers or pea gravel as filler. We discussed putting in 2 or 3 paths with foliage. Bill said this would be about \$1500 to fix. We would like rosemary or lavender put in (something not poisonous to dogs or that's high maintenance) as foliage. Bill will get 3 free estimates from landscapers to find out the cost of plants and what would be a good fit. Also it was brought up to see if Beaver Bark would donate plants.

*Our next priority is permanent water supply. We want 2 fountains at \$2800 each.

*We would like a kiosk. Dave will e-mail Phil and find out why the city does not provide the kiosk since it is a city park and since the city wants one side of the kiosk for advertising why won't they help fund for the kiosk.

Membership:

*We discussed having a cement donation tube put in the dog park to help with funds.

*We would like to have membership drives at the dog park on weekends and if possible in the evenings.

Media:

*Traffic is up on our website. We also have a calendar of events on there too.

Open discussion:

*Alexandra brought up having a lady come speak to us from Speak Dog to try and help us with our kid issue and educate us on how to protect our dogs. We discussed having this be members only event and have it at POPP.

*Bill brought up having Pods with different labels and 2-3 people to a pod to help the TCDPS.

Next Meeting:

*Wednesday, April 3rd at 6:30pm

*POPP, 524 Railroad, Richland

Meeting was adjourned at 8:25pm