

ANIMAL AND DOG PARK ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, May 12, 2022

8:10 am – 8:45 am

IN-PERSON LOCATION

Room 208 @ City Hall

VIRTUAL MEETING LINK

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88325839036?pwd=dWx3M1hCYXdjUTdEMGtsSjl3Ui8wZz09>

Meeting ID: 883 2583 9036

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DRAFT Minutes

| Attendees | | |
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| Committee Members | In-Person | Virtual (Reason) |
| Tom Lopez, Board of Aldermen (Alternate) | | |
| Patricia Klee, Board of Aldermen | | |
| Kathy Abel, Community Member | x | |
| Amber Morgan, Community Member (Chair) | x | |
| Megan Villacis, Community Member | x | |
| Bob Langis, Animal Control Officer | x | |
| Becky Longval, Nashua Humane Society | | x |
| Staff | In-Person | Virtual |
| Deb Chisholm, Waterways Manager | x | |
| Bryan Conant, Parks & Rec Superintendent | | |
| Noah Telerski, Mayor's Office | x | |

The regular meeting of the Animal and Dog Park Advisory Committee was held in Room 208 at City Hall. The Zoom meeting link was provided on the meeting agenda and on the City’s website. One member of the Committee and no one from the public attended via Zoom.

1. Approval of the April 14, 2022 Meeting Minutes

- Motion: Amber
- Second: Megan
 - Discussion: None
- Yea: Unanimous
- Nay: 0

2. Dog Park Non-Profit

Amber indicated there are now the required number of people on the non-profit, and the application for 501c(3) status is undergoing internal review before being submitted to the State for approval.

3. Dog Waste Clean-up Campaign

An email from Alderman Klee indicated she had mentioned the idea of Ward cleanups to fellow Aldermen and has created a poster for Aldermen to use but has not heard back from any Aldermen yet. Amber will send an invite email for cleanups to the Board of Aldermen via Donna Graham.

No complaints to the Mayor's Office recently according to Noah. There was a concerned citizen at the recent Java with Jim community meeting mentioning dog poop on Main Street.

4. Animal-Related Signage and Ordinance Update

The ordinance to clarify animal prohibitions in parks had its first reading at the Board of Aldermen meeting and was referred to the Personnel and Administrative Affairs Committee. Amber will attend the next Personnel and Administrative Affairs committee meeting to answer any questions.

5. Animal Control Officer and Humane Society Updates

- **ACO:** Bob provided an update of the animal call report. Not much new to report.
- **Humane Society:** Becky reported the rabies clinic in April was very successful. 120 rabies vaccinations were provided.

6. New Committee Member Search

We have an open spot on the committee for a dog owner. Deb reported and email was sent to the ADPAC email address from someone interested in participating in the dog park project. Amber will reach out to them.

7. Other

- Amber was interested in knowing if dog licensing was increasing. Becky responded that there is a total of 10,294 dogs licensed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45 am by voice vote.

Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, June 9th 8 AM – 9 AM – at the Humane Society for Greater Nashua, 24 Ferry Road, Nashua.

Minutes by: Deb Chisholm