

MGPDOA Board Minutes June 9, 2011  
Held at 39 Winslow Drive (Machovec residence)

Those in attendance:

Jones-Smith, Rosalyn (member-at-large)  
Machovec, Frank (secretary-treasurer)  
Machovec, Jacquie (member-at-large)  
Shane Nestruck (member-at-large),  
Pucknell, Lance (co-chair)

Regrets:

Lang, Colin (member-at-large), Manley-Tannis, Richard (co-chair), Merkeley, Kelly (member-at-large)

1. The meeting came to order at 19:35

2. Business Arising from the Minutes:

- a) Frank Machovec noted that MGPDOA has a re-designed website and has obtained hosting for the site ([www.maplegrovedogpark.ca](http://www.maplegrovedogpark.ca)).
- b) The secretary-treasurer reported that we have created an account at Casera Credit Union, and we have moved most of our funds to the new account. The account at CIBC will be closed as soon as possible.
- c) Finalization of logo design- item deferred
- d) The secretary-treasurer reported that we have obtained Directors' Indemnity Insurance at a cost of \$600 annually.

3. Treasurer's report: The treasurer reported that our current cash balance is \$4524.85. Over \$1150 was raised at the May barbeque event.

4. May 24 meeting with Jonina Ewart of Parks and Open Space:

A general review of the proceedings of the meeting was made. It was noted that the relationship between Parks staff and our organization is entirely satisfactory. MGPDOA is part of the City "Adopt-A-Park" partnership in which we provide some services (cleanup, some trail maintenance, etc.) . At the May 24 meeting it was suggested that there may be funds in the City's "Land Dedication Reserve Fund" to cover the cost of a landscape architect's report regarding future development of Maple Grove Dog Park.

**Motion: That MGPDOA submit an application for the funding of Dean Spearman's architect's report under the Land Dedication Reserve Fund. MGPDOA is prepared to contribute \$500 to the cost of the report. (motion by J. Machovec, seconded by R. Jones-Smith—carried, one abstention).** Frank Machovec will prepare and submit the application.

5. A brief discussion took place about the recent barbeque event. It was agreed that the event was very successful, but might benefit from better planning for layout of tables and improved signage. It was suggested that we might want more visible promotional signage and possible signage discouraging aggressive dogs from attending the event.

6. New business:

a) Shane Nestruck reported on recent burdock abatement activities. **Motion: That MGPDOA purchase a Dutch hoe for use at the Park (motion by L.Pucknell, seconded by F.Machovec—motion carried).** The hoe will be purchased by Shane and stored in our shed.

b) Lance Pucknell reported that our Bulletin Board will be erected shortly.

c) Lance also reported that he had recently met with Karl Thordarson of Parks and Open Space.

d) Lance will talk with Karl about improved signage or fencing to delineate the boundaries of off-leash/on-leash areas, especially on the path from the road to the shed/bridge.

e) It was noted that elections and our annual general meeting (AGM) are coming up. Board members and members in general should think about possible candidacy for the board and about items for consideration at the AGM. **Motion: All Board members are encouraged to bring names of potential candidates for board positions to our next meeting (motion by S.Nestruck, seconded by F.Machovec—motion carried).** Frank Machovec will place an item on Facebook about board elections. Frank Machovec suggested that we should simplify our bylaws and define our banking and indemnity insurance policies; Frank will make some suggested changes for discussion and approval by the board and membership.

f) Lance Pucknell noted that we could produce our own T-shirts using iron-on transfers once our logo design is finalized.

7. Next meeting: date to be announced.

8. The meeting adjourned at 20:30.

Respectfully submitted

Frank Machovec

June 10, 2011