

Maple Grove Park Dog Owners Association

Minutes of the September 27, 2018 Board Meeting

held at 1168 Dakota Street, Winnipeg

Present: Kirsten Bishop (President) Sharon Wiens (Vice President)
 Heather Hartry (Events) Roz Jones Smith (Past President)
 Don Lowrie (Membership) Heather Stubbs (Member at Large)

Absent: Andre W.; Pat B.; Kathy B; Cathy S; Cathy K.; Michelle L.

1. Call to Order – Kirsten B. called the meeting to order at 7:10PM
2. The main purpose of the meeting is to prepare for the Annual General Meeting.
3. The draft Minutes of the November 23, 2017 AGM were provided to all in attendance.

It was Moved by Sharon W. and Seconded by Don L.

“That the draft Minutes of the AGM be accepted as presented and included in the AGM package to be sent to members for the 2018 AGM.”

Carried

4. Date for 2018 AGM – in order to accommodate the notice to members requirement of the bylaws and to allow the Treasurer to complete the financial statement, it was agreed that the date of the AGM would be Thursday, November 29rd, 2018 at the Louis Riel Library at 6:30 pm.

5. Draft 2018 AGM Notice and Agenda were reviewed

It was Moved by Heather S. and Seconded by Don L.

“That the draft Minutes of the AGM be accepted as presented and included in the AGM package to be sent to members for the 2018 AGM.”

Carried

6. Bylaw changes – a proposal to update the bylaws was presented by Sharon W. and Kirsten B. After some discussion, it was decided that Sharon and Kirsten would try to draw parallels between the current and proposed bylaws in order to easily identify the changes. This information will be presented at the next meeting.

7. Corporate Memberships

It was noted that the current bylaws do not speak to corporate memberships.

It was Moved by Heather H. and Seconded by Don L.

“That MGPDOA accept corporate memberships as a non-voting member of the Association.”

Carried

Further discussion on this issue will be held at the next meeting.

8. Date of next meeting: TBD

9. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 8:50 pm

Maple Grove Dog Park Owner's Association (MGDPOA)

Annual General Meeting, November 23, 2017

Mustang's Football Club, 100 Frobisher Road, Winnipeg

Quorum: Requirements per bylaws is at least 10 people who are members in good standing

Members in attendance – 29.

Quorum has been established and the meeting may proceed.

Guests: No guests present

Regrets: Board members who were not in attendance: Heather Hartry and Peter Bohonos

1. Call to Order

Sharon Wiens, Vice President (Acting President) called the meeting to order at 7:05PM.

Sharon welcomed all in attendance and spoke briefly on the purpose of the association and of the difference we can make as a group.

2. Minutes of the December 1, 2016 Annual General Meeting

It was Moved by Michelle L. and Seconded by Leah T.

"That the December 1, 2016 AGM Minutes be approved.

Carried

3. Reports:

President's Report

- The President's Report was presented by Sharon Wiens, Vice President as the President resigned prior to the AGM. The report summarized the current initiatives underway by the Association including development of the proposed by-law amendments, provision of an additional poop-bag dispenser and installation a port-a-potty for the park.

2016-2017 Financial Report

- The Financial Report was presented by Cathy Swiderek, Treasurer. A copy of the Report is attached as Appendix A.

It was Moved by Bryan B. and Seconded by Michelle L.

"That the financial report be accepted as presented."

Carried

4. Nomination and election of officers for 2017/18

Bev S led discussion and election process.

- President - Bryan B nominated Kirsten Bishop as President - no other nominees were presented. Kirsten Bishop elected by acclamation.
- Special Events - (Heather requested to step down to "member-at-large") - Pat Bradics nominated herself for the position - no other nominees were presented. Pat Bradics elected by acclamation (was decided that Heather would overlap the position for a training period before stepping down).
- Past-President - Roz Jones-Smith was nominated (no other nominees).
- Members-at-Large - nominees included Heather Hartry, Heather Stubbs, Leah Thompson, Andre Wanlin. All elected by acclamation.
- No Nominees were presented and current Board Members agreed to continue in the following positions identified:
 - Vice President - Sharon Wiens
 - Treasurer - Cathy Swiderek
 - Marketing – Bryan Bishop
 - Communication - Bev Shafrika
 - Secretary - Kathy Boyanisky
 - Membership - Don Lowrie
 - Members-at-Large - Peter Bohonos, Catherine Kelly, Michelle Lagadi

5. New Business, announcements and general discussion.

- Objectives - Sharon W, VP
 - reviewed the statement of purpose – which is to add value to the park.
 - Restated the projects that include:
 - proposed by-laws- amendments
 - installation of a new poop-bag dispenser
 - installation of a porta-potty with sponsorship by another party
 - replacement of the existing bulletin board.
- Bylaw Changes - Bev S presented the summary of the proposed by-law changes. This living document will continue to be edited moving forward as the association evolves.

It was Moved by Heather S. and Seconded by Don B.

“To approve the proposed changes to the MGPDOA by-laws as completed to date, recognizing that there will be further developments.”

Not Carried

- There was a discussion regarding some amendments required to the proposed changes

It was moved by Don L. and Seconded by Kirsten B

"That the proposed changes be amended by deleting the word "or" under section D) i) d) "members in good standing must approve any expenditures that are more than 50% of the current funds, OR up to \$2000.00 for projects"."

Carried

It was Moved by Cathy S and Seconded by Kathy B

"That the proposed bylaw amendments include annual membership for every member from the date of purchase to expire in one year from that date."

Carried

It was Moved by Heather S and Seconded by Don B

"To approve the changes to the MGPDOA by-laws as proposed including the amendments made at this meeting."

Carried

- **Marketing Report** - Bryan B provided information on a plan to install a Port-a-potty in a location to be determined by both himself and a representative from the City of Winnipeg. Under this plan, The City of Winnipeg will invoice MGPDOA each month for this service being obtained from King's Septic Services (SEE Appendix 2 for full details). The City will also be responsible for any liability with respect to this installation.

It was Moved by Bryan B and Seconded by Roz SJ

"That MGPDOA proceed with the City of Winnipeg to obtain one port-a-potty on location at Maple Grove Dog Park in a location agreed to by MGPDOA and the City of Winnipeg."

Carried

- Happy Tails (pet spa) has proposed a sponsorship agreement for a term of 1-year whereby they would pay to MGPDOA a sum of \$100 per month to cover the cost of the port-a-potty and incidentals related thereto in exchange for placement of a banner to be installed on the port-a-potty advertising their sponsorship and business and space on the bulletin board as the exclusive pet spa sponsor of MGPDOA.

It was Moved by Bryan B and Seconded by Roz SJ

"That the sponsorship proposal from Happy Tails (pet spa) be accepted for a term of one year."

Carried

- **New Business from the floor:**

- Heather S - latch on the fenced in puppy run area requires repair or replacement. Board agreed to review this matter at the next regular meeting.
- Wendy - suggested that a "windsock" be installed - perhaps a Canadian flag type - to give members information on wind direction. This will be carried forward to next Board meeting. Board agreed to review this matter at the next regular meeting.
- Wendy - suggested we designate "dog marshalls" to help identify and manage disruptive and aggressive dog interactions. It was suggested that this could be put in the City survey as the members do not have powers of enforcement. Board agreed to review this matter at the next regular meeting.
- Brenda - suggested that the meeting agendas be distributed well in advance so that attendees can have notice in order to better prepare discussion. All agreed this is a great idea.

- Prize winners drawn.

- The meeting was adjourned by Sharon W – Vice President at 9:05PM

****Appendix attachments:**

2017-18 Board Member List

MGPDOA Financial Statement for 2016-2017

Marketing Director submission for motion re: Port-a-Potty

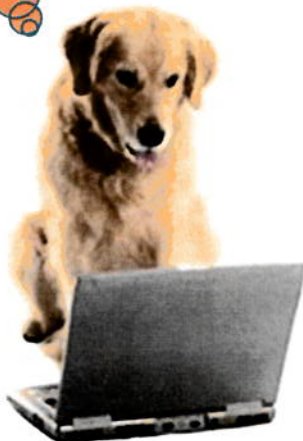


**Notice of
Maple Grove Park Dog Owners'
Association
Annual General Meeting**

Thursday, November 29, 2018 @ 6:30 pm

**Louis Riel Library
1168 Dakota Street**

Humans...
check it
out!



AGM packages will be **emailed** to members who have provided their email information.

Otherwise, please get your AGM package from our website:

www.maplegrovedogpark.ca

Maple Grove Park Dog Owners' Association

2018 Annual General Meeting

Date, Time, Location

AGENDA

1. Confirmation of Quorum
 2. Call to Order
 3. Welcome
 4. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the 2017 Annual General Meeting
 5. Reports:
 - a. President (Kirsten Bishop)
 - b. Financial (Cathy Swiderek, Treasurer)
 6. Nomination and election of officers for 2018/19
 - a. Slate of nominees
 - b. Nominations from the floor
 - c. Election of officers
 7. New business, announcements and general discussion
 - a. Objectives for 2018 and 2019
 - b. Discussion and motion to approve changes to MGPDOA by-laws
 - c. Discussion and motion to approve Porta Potty
 - d. New business from the Board
 - e. New business from the floor
 8. Door prize draw
 9. Adjournment
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