

Maple Grove Park Dog Owners Association

January 23, 2019 Board Meeting

46 Malsbury Avenue

AGENDA

1. Call to Order 6:56PM
2. Review and Approval of the Minutes of the November 1, 2018 – copy attached

It was Moved by ___ and Seconded by ____

“That the Minutes of the November 1, 2018 meeting be accepted as presented/
amended.”

Carried or not carried

3. Review of the Minutes of the November 29, 2018 Annual General Meeting – copy attached

It was Moved by __ and Seconded by ____

“That the Draft November 29, 2018 AGM Minutes be accepted as presented/ amended.”

Carried or not carried

4. President’s Report – Kirsten B
 - a) Welcome to our new Board Member – Nihar Kaushal
 - b) Focus for 2019 –
 - Bylaws
 - Separating from manual so they can be registered
 - reviewing with a view to improving
 - Fundraising and membership events
 - Marketing opportunities
 - Happy Tails Pet Resort and Spa
 - Horizon Livestock

- Others

c) WINDOG – second representative needed

*on hold for now, no volunteers came forward.

5. Treasurer's Report – Cathy S

a) New memberships via paypal

*balance is \$70301.10 - see report submitted and attached.

b) other

6. Membership Report – Sharon W.

a) New members

*using mailchimp has presented some challenges in setting up. Sharon is having teleconference with Andre with hot to add and update spreadsheet.

There have been ½ dozen new members since the AGM (Nov/18)

b) Renewals

c) Updated membership list provided by Don L.

*Sharon has the membership list

d) Mailchimp report

See above

e) Welcome notice to new members

*hope to automate this system. Sharon will be going through the forms and locate "volunteer interest" notes so that we can compile and contact volunteers.

7. Marketing – strategy to be discussed

a) Sponsorships

i. Happy Tails Pet Resort

*agreed to continue with their support.

ii. Horizon

*livestock and pet food company that has asked if they can market on our Facebook account for \$20/month. Kirsten will reach out to them shortly.

*Cathy Kelly has the name of volunteers from SFG music@shaw.ca who offered to DJ for any of our events.

*other supporting businesses have come forward - Advarc - Thrive; Pet Valu; Global (have all supplied poop bags), Happy Tails, Horizon.

8. Communications Report – Sharon W.

a) MGPDOA pamphlet

*Sharon has a box of them - need to get them redesigned and updated - table til next meeting.

b) Automated membership update

9. WINDOG –

a) AGM held on December 18, 2018

b) Second representative needed from MGPDOA – appointment required

c) 2019 Goals and Objectives available on the website

10. Events - Pat B.

a) Events planned this year

b) Specific discussion about upcoming events

c) Thank you to sponsors

d) Thank you for donations

- Draft policy including
- All donations \$20 - \$99 – email thank you – Action by_____
- All donations over \$99 – mailed card (if we have mailing address).
- New cards to be purchased for this purpose.

**Pat sent her regrets - will table til next meeting.

*discussion was had regarding spring poop pick up event day - need 2 dates in March. Sharon will email Pat to pick 2 dates.

11. Updated Board listing – will be provided at the meeting by K. Bishop

12. City of Winnipeg communication update – Kirsten B

a. Tree cutting announcement

*already posted

13. Other Items

- a) large water tanks - (Don was to investigate).

*it was noted that KPDC us getting water to them by the City of Wpg.

Kirsten will speak to Jessica (City rep) on this issue.

- b) Additional Bomber seats

*they can be obtained in St. Francis - this item is parked for now.

- c) Wood chips

- d) Windsock – now installed

e) Log agility suggestion by member

Other Discussion:

-Poop dispensers should be up in Spring which will provide logo advertising on the bag "courtesy of...." for the sponsor.

-ensure we are in line with City rules - cannot post dispensers in the ground - can be attached to existing structure/posts, etc

-can we replough the pathways that go by the posts where the bag dispensers are for easier access by users?

-Kirsten will be meeting with Jessica to describe what we need re pathways and posts.

-Roz suggested asking Jessica whether there has been a change in the process for donated wood chips - do we have access to woodchips, and will the City spread them for us?

-Heather - a citizen asked about signs in our park to control kids - like "supervise your kids", however this is not a single use park (yet) and is multi-use for the public - no sign can be put up on this issue. Heather will relay information to that person.

-Cathy S - what about the treed area - East of park? Is this up for grabs and can we have it? Let's ask Jessica.

-Heather - brought up the non-profit dog book proceeds go to D'Arcy's Arc - advertised on Facebook - goal of any ad with our Association will be to maintain, promote and educate about dogs/dog parks.

14. Date of next meeting - TBA

15. Adjournment - 9:01PM

Topic Parking Lot (nothing to report – deferred to next meeting – on hold)

Meeting with other Park stakeholders – Nothing to report

Bag Dispensers – deferred to next meeting

Inventory – deferred to next meeting

Bulletin Board access – nothing to report

Gate Key - location and access