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MINUTES
Monday, January 14, 2008 @ 6:30PM
Eastham Police Conference Room

Present: Cindy Nicholson, Mary Beth O'Shea, Linda Van Nest, Bernie Kaplan, Lu St. Aubin, Lynne Bates, Ed Daniel, Katrina Boucher, Maureen Fagan

Guest: Muriel Lightfoot

Cindy Nicholson opened the meeting; quorum verified.

Agenda tonight: Status of president vacancy; annual membership fee form approval request; day change of monthly meeting and other timely matters which need to be addressed.

MINUTES: Previous minutes reviewed from October 11, 2007 and accepted with no changes. January 10, 2008 approved with the following changes to be added and amended accordingly: "Red Cross Training for the animal shelter volunteers mandatory" to be added, "RSVP request at opening meetings be sent prior to meetings" and new nominee Board members name corrections were requested to be done. Mary Beth O'Shea to update minutes and resubmit with changes. Cindy will email out to board.

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE FORM

Draft form presented and distributed for Boards input. Cindy to update with changes and work with Mary Beth O'Shea in printing and mailing.

FUNDRAISER SUGGESTED:

Bernie suggested to coordinate handouts at the Town Meeting on May 5th. Maureen volunteered to photocopy handouts. Ed also suggested a handout be included of the Eastham dog "rules". This process would be an easy way to procure more dog members as well as educate the public of our association.

NEWSLETTERS: Katrina questioned the distribution and timeliness of our newsletters. She volunteered to take over the responsibility from Mary Beth as she does this for her own business and it wouldn't be a difficult task. She would send out via email every other month. All approved. Bernie wanted to add at end "Our Dogs Approve of this Message".

PRESIDENCY VACANCY

Bernie brought to the floor the question of Fred's resignation which produced a president vacancy. He asked Maureen Fagan, VP if she would be willing and able to fill those shoes. The invitation was gracefully declined. She will perform his responsibilities the best she could, but can not commit to full leadership.

Others present were asked if they would like to be nominated. None were available at this time to accept.

It was voted and accepted that the presidents position would remain open until the next annual meeting (unless someone steps up before then) and we would all work together with Maureen.

Maureen to contact Fred Fenlan and retrieve ALL EDOA information, specifically his resignation letter as well as the Corporation information purchased from the State when applying and Non-Profit information.

He had loaned EDOA \$100 at initial start up of the association to help with the costs and he spent out of pocket the processing costs from the State to become incorporated and non-profit. (those costs unknown). This will be refunded after material returned.

Other businesses discussed to be followed up:

- Request copies of all previous minutes be distributed to new board members (by Cindy)
- Update Website and maintain. Katrina, Ed and Cindy to work together. Val Young started before she left. Cindy to research name of provider. Katrina recommended checking out the Provincetown Dog Park website for a example.
- State Incorporation paperwork deadlines are closing. Ed Daniel to check with his wife who is familiar with preparing the appropriate forms and report back next meeting.
- Letter to Editor (Cape Codder) thanking Agway for the Mutt Mitts was never sent. Katrina (our PR person) will research information needed and submit to newspaper.
- Mutt Mitt dispensers are desperately needed at First Encounter Beach. Mary Beth to follow up with Mark Powers, Town Recreational Director who is contact and advise.

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS YEARS – Motion was made to accept ALL past minutes. Accepted unanimously.

SAMPSON FUND: Requested to submit to all members of EDOA information regarding their fundraiser. Accepted. Cindy will send out broadcast email.

MONTHLY SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING DATE CHANGED from the 2nd Thursday of the month to the 3RD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH. Next open scheduled board meeting – February 21, 2008

7:50 adjourned.

Respectfully,
Cindy Nicholson