



## Eastham Dog Owners' Association July 18, 2014 Board Meeting Minutes

Attending: Per and Ruth Bentsen, Dianne Cullen, Ed and Nancy Daniels, Kathy Herrick, Kathleen "K2" Mueller, Cindy and Jim Nicholson, Tracey Plantier and special guests Monty, Misha, Elvis and Sophie

Absent: Vicky Anderson, Cindy Blum, Larry DiBona, Ellen Murray, Lu St. Aubin,

Today's meeting was our summer picnic so business discussion was held to a minimum. Thank you to Ed and Nancy Daniels for their hospitality and to all who brought food and drink to share.

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

- We continue to get confusing letters from the IRS asking for information we've already submitted, followed by letters acknowledging receipt, followed by additional letters asking for submissions. When we go online to try to refile the forms, we receive the message that the form is already complete and accepted. Go figure. We are trying to resolve this because we believe all submissions are complete.
- The Attorney General of Massachusetts is asking that we file a Fed 990 EZ form for 2010. According to their records, they are missing this form. Nancy will resubmit the form by the 7/24/14 deadline stated in the letter.
- We received a thank you letter from Felice Coral for our acknowledgement of the passing of her beloved beagle Bella, along with a donation to the Buddy Scholarship in Bella's memory. She also indicated an interest in volunteering with LCAST at the emergency shelter.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- CindyN is going to place an order to restock merchandise based on current inventories.
- Kathy will check into pricing to order shirts or vests specific to LCAST. This team is currently using our EDOA shirts that say "Come Play With Us" on the back, a message somewhat inappropriate for an emergency situation. We should consider the EDOA logo on front and LCAST spelled out on back. She'll price out red shirts with white lettering on back and orange vests since we know that Medical Reserve Corps uses lime vests. Using vests would allow us to wear comfortable and appropriate shirts for the situation (e.g., long sleeve, short sleeve, fleece, etc.) but still be identified as LCAST by the vests.
- Windmill Weekend planning will be managed by CindyN and Karie Miller. The event is scheduled for September 6-7.
  - Cape Cod Dog and Orleans Animal Hospital have indicated an interest in participating in the parade while we are still awaiting a response from Nauset Pet Services. Ed volunteered to follow up with these folks regarding how to participate in the parade, including submitting the appropriate form to the Windmill Weekend Committee. He will consider whether to have dogs walk in the parade, always a problem because they are then not allowed on the Windmill Green.
  - CindyN volunteered to handle the booth, including setup, merchandise, raffles (i.e., Agway, Orleans Animal Hospital, Cape Cod Dog and Cindy Blum will contribute) and staffing.
  - Dianne is willing to walk the parade route in a dog costume if anyone has one she can use.
  - Ed asked that we remember to have simple consolation prizes for children who don't win a raffle because of their pathetically sad faces when they don't win something.
- Part-Time Residents Meeting –Town Administrator Sheila Vanderhoef mentioned to CindyN the August meeting would include an update on the Regional Emergency Shelter. CindyN is checking into getting some of our literature on display at the next meeting and inquired about the availability of Kathy or Ed to speak at the meeting if invited to do so.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6 p.m. at the Eastham Town Hall.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kathy Herrick, Secretary