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**Annual Meeting 2011**  
**October 20, 2011**  
**Meeting Minutes**

- 6:15 PM: Meeting called to order by Edward Daniels, President  
Opening remarks included itinerary for the evening and special acknowledgment of thanks to board members for the coordination of the refreshments (Karie Miller) and the raffle prizes (Richard Brezner).
- 6:30 PM: Guest speakers Dr. Bruce Indek, Nancy Bishop and Dr. Bradley, were introduced by Ellen Murray, Education Committee.  
Each speaker spoke on various aspects of calming and therapeutic handling of dogs. Presenters used PowerPoint as well as demonstration with two live animals. Physical therapy, chiropractic manipulation and acupuncture techniques were discussed and demonstrated.
- 7:45 PM: Richard Brezner hosted the raffle drawings.
- 8:00 PM: Refreshment Break
- 8:20 PM: Business Meeting – Members only  
Officers and Board of Directors attending were Edward Daniels, Lu St.Aubin, Cindy Nicholson, Noelle Smith, Karie Miller, Ellen Murray, Cindy Blum, Richard Brezner, Kathy Herrick,  
  
Cindy Nicholson, Board of Directors, officiated over the elections.  
Elected unanimously for two year terms were:
- Cindy Nicholson, Vice President
  - Lu St. Aubin, Treasurer
  - Cindy Blum, Board of Directors
  - Per Bentsen, Board of Directors
  - Katrina Boucher, Board of Directors
  - Karie Miller, Board of Directors
- 8:30 PM Motion to accept Minutes of the September 2011 Board Meeting was made by Daniels, seconded by Nicholson. Accepted unanimously.  
  
Treasurer's Report was made by Lu St. Aubin. Details attached. A motion to accept the report was made by Noelle Smith, seconded by Cindy Blum. Accepted unanimously.

## **Committee Reports:**

### Mutt Mitt Program:

- Cindy Nicholson acknowledged donations of Mutt Mitts from Agway, Nauset Pet Services and discussed the promise of 10 extra cases a year from the Town of Eastham's Dept of Public Works Department.
- Volunteers who fill the dispensers were thanked.
- Request for additional dispensers in the area of First Encounter Beach and Sandy Meadow Trails were made to the Town.

### Windmill Weekend:

- Cindy Nicholson reported that EDOA participated in another successful Windmill Weekend event with a booth, raffle, memberships, and parade float.

### Police Report:

- Cindy Nicholson reported police activity regarding dogs in the Town of Eastham. 97 total calls were made to PD with reference to either a lost, found or spotted loose dog.

### Lost Dog Network:

- Cindy Nicholson reported LDN held several trainings this past year, volunteer photo ID badges created and distributed to trained volunteers. Lost Dog Pet Owner Kits have been produced and available at the Eastham Police Dept., CC Dog & Nauset Pet Services for the owner of a lost dog.
- Kathy Herrick reported the acquisition of walkie-talkies to aid in the finding of lost dogs in the area. Herrick reported several successful lost dog searches.

### Emergency Pet Shelter:

- Cindy Blum and Kathy Herrick reported on the status of pet friendly emergency shelters in the area.
- Concern over the delays in opening Nauset Regional High School as a pet friendly shelter was expressed.

### Dog Park:

- Ed Daniels reported that EDOA will not be supporting a dog park in Eastham at this time. The primary concern being that by having a dog park there may be more pressure made to restrict access to dogs and dog owners in other recreational venues in town.

A motion to accept committee reports was made and seconded by acclamation and accepted unanimously.

9:00 PM Meeting adjourned by Edward Daniels.