

Kennebunk Dog Advisory Committee Minutes
Wednesday May 27, 2021 @ 4 pm via Zoom

Present: A. Ferran, D. Trachimowicz, L. Miller-Clearly, P. Hoffman, C. Lederer, P. Seaman, R. Ruggiero (guest), Town Manager M. Pardue (guest)

Absent: S. Hennessy, R. Levangie, ACO R. Parker, W. Ward

Minutes:

Motion made by L. Clearly-Miller & seconded by C. Lederer to approve the minutes from the October 9, 2019, meeting. Motion carried.

ACO Report: ACO R. Parker was absent. No report was given.

Old Business: None

Review of Status of Dog Monitors: C. Lederer reported since the pandemic the Dog Monitors have not been utilized on the beaches. She & Town Manager M. Pardue will contact ACO R. Parker to see how she wants to proceed with using the Dog Monitors again. A. Ferran & Town Manger M. Pardue commented how valuable the KDAC & the Dog Monitors are to the town & beaches. It is beneficial to the board of selectmen to have KDAC report to them. Town Manager M. Pardue stated the board of selectmen will be meeting on June 8, 2021 & will decide the hours the dogs will be allowed on the beaches. It will also be decided if the dogs will need to be leashed or their owners can use voice control.

Review Status of Dog Brochures: The committee will wait until after the board of selectmen meeting on June 8, 2021, to distribute the brochures to the hotels, motels, & B&B's in case there are any changes to the hours the dogs are allowed on the beach & leash regulations.

Dog Bag Dispensers: Town Manager M. Pardue reported the town workers have been filling the dispensers but could use the assistance of the KDAC to also fill the dispensers.

New Business: A. Ferran reported the KDAC is in need of new committee members. Four committee members have recently resigned. The committee has been asked to think of potential recruitments. C. Lederer will ask Dog Monitors if they are interested on being on the committee.

The committee would like to thank R. Levangie, G. Rodriguez, E. Fagan, & P. Hoffman for their dedication & many years of service to the KDAC. They helped make the beaches safe & enjoyable for the dogs, their owners, & beach goers. The committee wishes them all the best.

Report from Dog Waste Committee: L. Miller-Cleary reported the committee did receive a grant to purchase 100 compost bins for food & garden waste. The bins were distributed throughout the Kennebunk's. The Kennebunk Alternative School is doing a study by weighting the food waste compost to see how much the town might save if compost were to be collected town wide. The committee would like to have a site where animal waste is collected but at this time there is no site available.

Next Meeting: Will be outdoors.
June 9, 2021, 4pm at Rogers Pond

Motion made by C. Lederer & seconded by D. Trachimowicz to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.
Meeting adjourned at 4:50pm.

Respectfully Submitted:
D.Trachimowicz
Secretary Kennebunk Dog Advisory Committee