

# KENNEBUNK DOG ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Minutes Wednesday June 13, 2018

Present: D. Trachimowicz, C. Connors, E. Fagan, L. Miller-Cleary, R. Levangie, S. Hennessey A. Ferran, C. Lederer, G. Rodriguez, ACO Parker

Absent: P. Hoffman

Guest: Greg Leary

Meeting called to order at 6:37 PM by A. Ferran

## **Minutes:**

Motion by E. Ferran and seconded by C. Connors to approve the revised minutes from the May 19, 2018 Committee Meeting.....Motion Carried

## **ACO Report:**

ACO Parker stated that a gentleman complained about the Breakfast at Gooches sign being posted on Gooches beach. The sign is legal and is allowed to be on the beach. ACO Parker had no other issues.

## **Old Business:**

None

## **Review of Dog Monitor Training:**

The training is going very well according to C. Lederer. She states we have a fantastic group of volunteers. Once training is completed assignments and times to monitor the beaches will be arranged. C. Lederer will notify dog monitors via email requesting days and times the monitors are available to monitor the beaches.

## **Breakfast at Gooches with Pooches June 16, 2018 7:00 AM –9:00AM**

Set up time will be at 6:30 AM at the surf line staircase. E. Fagan will be bringing the sign, tables and her famous homemade dog treats. Other members are asked to also bring dog treats. R. Levangie made two donation jars to place on the tables. The new "Welcome Dogs on Kennebunk Beaches" brochures will be distributed at the breakfast. The cost to print the signs was \$7.00.

## **Distribution of Brochures:**

S. Hennessey will be distributing the new brochures at various hotels in Kennebunk and Kennebunkport.

## **Dog Bag Dispensers:**

R. Levangie has been filling the dispensers on a daily basis. C. Connors wants R. Levangie to email her when the dispensers are running low and she will assist her. R. Levangie stated that the Town of

Kennebunk may replace the dispensers which will require everyone to get new keys to replenish the bags.

**New Business:**

L. Miller-Cleary has completed the By-Laws of the Kennebunk Dog Advisory Committee. See attached.

The Kennebunk Post and York County Star both published articles about the numerous poop bags that were picked up by the high school students on Parson's beach last winter. G. Rodriguez wrote letters in response to the articles stating that Dog Monitors were appalled to learn of this situation and are trying to educate the public to pick up after their dogs and not litter the beaches with poop bags to both publications.

ACO Parker reminded members not to send emails to other committee members about any incidents that occur on the beaches. Because of the Maine Freedom of Access Act, all emails are public information and can be published. If there are any incidents on the beach the dog monitors are to immediately call the Kennebunk police or the ACO and do not discuss the incident via email.

**Next Meeting:**

July 11, 2018 6:30PM at the Kennebunk Town Hall 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Room 306

Motion made by C. Lederer and seconded by E. Fagan to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted:

D. Trachimowicz

Secretary Kennebunk Dog Advisory Committee