

Gem City Dog Obedience Club
Board Minutes
12/20/2022
7pm

Board Members Present: Steve Hart, Angela Profitt, Tami Woodrow, Ashley Huehn, Barb Siler, Maggie Melton, Deb Werts, Kathy Roberts, Alicia Heidorn

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:07pm by Angela Profitt. Motion to accept the meeting minutes from November meeting was made by Alicia Heidorn and seconded by Ashley Huehn.

Vice President: Building sanitizing will take place on December 23 at 9am.

Membership: Tami Woodrow reported that we have 189 members; 15 old members who didn't renew; 174 members who have paid; and 19 club applicants, some of which have not done their hours yet. We had 10 new members in the last group. There will be a meeting of a committee of interested members in January to review the procedures we use for vouchers, different types of vouchers, etc. We are trying to streamline that process. There are a lot of questions about what we grant "double hours" for, so clarification is needed as to why and how double hours are granted.

Treasurer: Kathy Roberts reported that we have a balance of ~\$116, 860.63 in the bank, not included the income and expenses from the recent Miami Valley Shetland Sheepdog trial. There is a full treasurer's report in our email. Ashley Huehn motioned to accept the treasurer's report, and was seconded by Steve Hart.

Registrar: Maggie Melton reported that registration is going well, and that our new barn hunt class filled on the very first day! Alicia Heidorn is the new puppy and puppy grad registrar.

Obedience: Kristina Morgan was not in attendance, but a discussion was had about adding an open utility/obedience trial in 2023.

Agility: Deb Werts reported that we had a successful Daisy Peel seminar about contact training. The turf has been fluffed and cleaned. Registration is going well and classes are filling up. The Miami Valley Shetland Sheepdog Club trial, held in our building, was a big success. Deb has been working on cleaning up the back storage area in the agility room and is looking to purge some of the older equipment. It's also time to consider replacing some large equipment like the dog

walk. There is also agility equipment at the land that needs to be sorted through/purged.

Maintenance: John sent a detailed maintenance report (in our email) and the board discussed. A proposal for a natural gas fuel heater that we need (~\$12,000) was discussed, and Maggie Melton made a motion to go ahead with this purchase, and was seconded by Kathy Roberts. There was a discussion about John's recommendation to move 12 light fixtures from the agility room to the obedience room to brighten up that space. There would be a cost of ~\$970, and this idea was tabled so that we could discuss in greater detail with John at the next meeting. All other items on the maintenance report were also tabled and will be discussed in January. There was concern expressed about the dog we have seen chained to our building recently - no decisions made about that.

Old Business

Club Wi-Fi: tabled for now.

Insurance: Steve reported that our insurance has been renewed, and we reviewed the Hanover Insurance Company Commercial Lines policy. There was a discussion of the building's value and the idea of listing our equipment with photos on an electronic catalog/spreadsheet. A list of inventory, along with the values of each item, could easily be shared and edited by anyone. Steve Hart will be looking at the inventory at the land.

New Business

2023 Calendar: The 2023 calendar was discussed, and additions, corrections, and edits were made. The calendar is attached with edits made.

Maggie Melton motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:40pm, and then we all ate delicious yule log cake. 😊

Board Meeting - BUILDING MAINTENANCE REPORT: December 20, 2022 (written 12/18/22)

1. * **Highest priority in my estimation.** I have two estimates to add a natural gas fueled heater to the front room to better balance the temperature between the two rooms for the winter. Estimates are in the \$12,000 range. I would like to have approval to proceed. The plan would be to take one Friday to prepare the gas line and a second Friday to install the heater and thermostat. We have discussed this before and need to make sure the board approves. It is estimated that it takes 3 weeks to get the equipment.
2. * I would like to use 12 of the fixtures from the turf room to add to the front room over the two rings. This would require an electrician to hang and wire them in. See earlier email (which I have included again below).
3. * I think that this was already approved in Oct. "Plan to replace all of the drop ceiling tiles in the two restrooms and Janitor room. Approx 40 tiles, estimated cost to be \$450". Plan to be done with volunteers on a Saturday, date TBD, once I see the trials planned for the next year.
4. * I have an estimate to put in a concrete pad at the bottom of the steps outside of the back door. It looks to be about \$2000 for the 10x10 foot, 4" thick pad. This would be planned for this spring but I want to get it scheduled. This should help keep dirt from being washed into the new drain.
5. The in-ground drain tiles outside of the building were replaced. I still have to finish connecting two of the downspouts.
6. The furnace was inspected and the filters replaced on 12-9.
7. Cleaning of the interior steel rafters was conducted Dec. 19 and 20.
8. I have made an effort to seal up some of the obvious air leaks in the building.
9. There is the issue of the neighbor's dog which has been tied/chained to our building's gas meter that needs to be addressed. The holes dug by said dog will need to be filled in before mowing season and the grass re-seeded.
10. Weeds in back by HVAC unit and at the back of the lot **should have been sprayed** last fall. These still need to cut down and removed.
11. We needed something to cover the dead grass caused by the drought which then was becoming a muddy nuisance. I asked Leah Schiller if she could get some straw which she provided and spread. The rest of the bale is under the overhang outside of the back door.

*= request for funding approval

John Clifford 12-20--2022

lighting levels and proposal for front room



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to Barb, Angela, Kathy, Deb, Ashely, Donna, Tami, Maggie, Alicia, Kristina, Steve

Fri, Dec 9, 5:52 PM (9 days ago)



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The lighting work in the turf room is essentially complete, which has resulted in an increase from about 25 foot-candles light levels to 55 to 80 overall. We have sold only a few of the fixtures that we took down. It seems a shame to dispose of them as they are still functional. I would like to make a proposal to use 12 for the front room by adding 6 spaced out between the existing lights above each of the two rings. These rings are currently at 20 - 25 foot-candles and I estimate that this would increase the light levels up to about 35 - 40. In order to do this, it would require adding more wire and paying an electrician (Rachel Corbett) to hang these as this job would take a bit more than what was done in the turf room on a per light basis. I have included an estimate below for the not to exceed costs which I would hope to have done by Spring.

- \$170 for wire and supplies
- \$400 for new LED bulbs
- \$400 Labor
- total \$970