Gem City Dog Obedience Club Membership Meeting June 29, 2025 7:00 pm

Board Members Present: Kathy Roberts, John Clifford, Steve Hart, Donna Jennings, Michelle Collett, Tami Woodrow, Maggie Melton, Lynn Conrad, Barb Siler, Alecia Heidorn

Call to Order: Michele Collett called the meeting to order at 6:58 pm. Motion to accept membership meeting minutes from 5/01/25 was made by Alicia Heidorn, seconded by Steve Hart. Motion passed.

President: Michelle Collett. She wanted to thank those members who helped at the June AKC Rally/ obedience trial.

Vice President: Steve Hart. No Report

Treasurer: Kathy Roberts. See attached report. The club has approximately \$226,847.89 in savings and checking Alicia Heidorn made a motion to accept the treasurers report. Ashlely Kallay seconded, motion passed.

Membership: Tami Woodrow. There are seven applicants to be voted into the membership tonight. Only four were voted on. Two showed up to the meeting and two had someone speak for them. Tami Woodrow made a motion to vote Janeen Johnson, Charlotte Wollum, Toni Scalzi and Patrick Frye into the membership. Barb Siler seconded. The motion was discussed and voted on by the membership. Janeen, Charlotte, Toni and Patrick were all successfully voted into the membership. Welcome.

She will be sending the volunteer hours to Chris to be uploaded into everyone's account. They should be in the account by the end of the month.

Registrar: Maggie Melton. Registration for the lower classes will open on July 14th. Rally and Barn Hunt will open on July 15th. Session 4 will begin August 4th. The agility form will also be uploaded to the website.

Obedience/ Rally / Freestyle: Barb Siler. Confirmation run-throughs have been going well. The person doing the clothes embroidery for the club is retiring. Barb will need to find a replacement.

The store has been restocked with some new things. There are two of each size prong collar. One for selling and one for trying on and keeping in the closet. She will order as she goes. It will also have a makeover during break. One member suggested a QR code for the store. Barb will look into that.

Agility: Deb Werts. Absent. See attached report.

Maintenance Report. John Clifford. See attached report. A comment was made that the padlock on the gate to the land also needs to be replaced or repaired. It is very difficult to operate in the winter. It was decided that a cover would be purchased.

Old Business:

None

New Business

Fast Cat

The club has decided to cancel to the fast cat trial for August. There does not seem to be enough interest from members.

Land Neighbor Incident

It has come to the attention of the board that neighbors of the land are throwing materials over the fence. The first incident involved cables thrown over, still attached to the garage. Tree branches were thrown over in the most recent incident, some blocking the gate in that area. Some ideas discussed were; talking to law enforcement, sending a letter

from the attorney, installing some trail cameras, and placing NO DUMPING signs on the fence. Suzie Freeze will purchase NO DUMPING signs and a NO BLOCKING GATE sign. John will look into the trail cameras.

Miscellaneous

Barb Siler brought up the idea of doing something like a Fall Field Day. She envisions doing things that we don't normally do such as Farm Dog or Temperament testing. Michelle noted that she was contacted by AKC about hosting a Responsible Dog Owner Day. Barb Siler and Rachael Corbett will form a committee to discuss the possibilities.

Barn Hunt

Sam Davis wanted to report that attendance for open practices have gone up from 250 in 2024 to 271 in 2025. There have been 64 new dogs enrolled this year. People are coming from hours away to attend.

Respectfully Submitted Donna Jennings GCDOC Secretary

Next membership meeting is Sept. 24 at 7:00 pm