

BUTLER FARM DOG PARK COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
APRIL 21, 2021

PRESENT: Laurie Connors (Chair), Susan Ainsleigh (Vice Chair), Christine Kelley, Mary Wright (Clerk)  
NON-VOTING: Monica Delaporta (Friends of the Butler Farm Dog Park), Evan Andrikos (Weston & Sampson)

**Call to Order:** Laurie Connors called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM. The meeting was held remotely by Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

**1. Unanticipated Business to Discuss:**

**Dog Swim:** Monica stated that the Town of Sutton will allow us to have a dog swim event at Camp Marion this year. It was decided to hold the dog swim on 6/12/21, with a rain date of 6/13/21. Monica will contact the Town of Sutton.

**Popcorn Fundraiser:** The Friends of the Butler Farm Dog Park received a check for \$344. Laurie stated that a \$50 donation was also made.

**2. Weston & Sampson (W&S) Stormwater Mitigation Design:**

Evan Andrikos joined the meeting and presented the proposed stormwater design. W&S is mainly concerned with the erosion at the main gate. They propose to construct a new entrance system for the large dogs farther down, past the pagoda, in the hopes that dogs and guests will not climb the rip rap to enter the park. The existing wide gate for equipment will remain. The existing entrance will be used to enter the small dog park area and the pagoda area.

The walkway to the park will be redone with a steel edger. Laurie asked if millings could be used for the walkway and Evan agreed.

W&S will install a swale with a perforated pipe near the top of the rip rap and tie into the existing drainage basin. Piping will go under the handicap accessible walkway near the parking lot. Laurie was concerned that the new swale would direct water towards the granite steps in the small dog park area. Evan does not feel that will happen.

Laurie asked Evan to suggest a surface near the pavilion which could be used instead of mulch. Evan will propose something.

Evan stated that the grading at the upper part of the park does not need to be done at this time. He will keep the grading on the plan to be used as an alternate. Laurie asked that the distance from the swale to the fence and a cross-section of the swale be added to the plan. Evan agreed.

It was decided to extend the rip rap to wrap behind the pagoda and not use mulch. It was also decided to install a 4' high black chain link fence at the top of the rip rap instead of a split rail fence to deter guests and dogs from climbing the rip rap.

Laurie would like to put the project out to bid this construction season. Evan will make the changes to the plan.

**3. Next Meeting:** The next meeting will be May 6, 2021 at 6:00 PM.

**4. Adjournment:**

Mary Wright made a motion at 6:45 PM to adjourn the meeting. Susan Ainsleigh seconded the motion.  
Vote: Unanimous.



Approved 5/13/21