Clinton County Canine Club Board Meeting Minutes: Wednesday, February 21, 2024

Members Present: President Bob Heins, VP Linda LaPier, Treasurer Kim Bailey, Rodney LaPier, Helen Morales, Regina Davison, Linda McGovern, Doug & Nancy Garrand

Excused: Secretary: Scarlett McBride

The meeting was called to order by B. Heins at 4:34 pm. Additions to the November 2023 minutes are as follows: Motion was made by R. Lapier to pay Linda Ladd, auditor, \$500.00 for the 15+ hours of work. L. Lapier seconded and the motion was unanimously approved. Motion to approve the November 2023 minutes, with corrections, was made by R. LaPier and seconded by R. Davison. All in favor. Motion accepted.

Officers' Reports: President: No report Vice-President: No report Secretary: No report

Treasurer: Checking Balance: December 2023 - \$14,900.62 Savings, \$20,156.70 checking;

January 2024 – 14,900.99 Savings, 20,636.70 checking

Committee Reports:

Agility: Roxanne Vincent : No report

Family Pet Dog Training: No report

Event Coordinator and Social Media: no report

Welcome: No report

Website: The most recent photos of agility dogs at trials have been posted. The website needs updating with the changes to the Constitution made at membership meetings in June 2023 and December 2023. These will be brought upto-date by H. Morales while L. LaPier will review the "About Us" section for updating, rewrite and presentation at the next meeting.

Scholarship: No report

Outreach: Therapy dog team requests for visits have been quiet. The Chazy Central School Funday in December was a hit! Addy and I will be going to the Olympic Training Center to hang out with Rhythmic Gymnast athletes. That place is so interesting!

Next event is an evening of healing put on by the suicide prevention council at the Newman Center on Monday, March 11 at 6:00 pm. Other than the standing invitations at The Vilas Home, Lake Forest, Third Age, Meadowbrook, etc., there are no other upcoming events.

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Quay

Motion was made by K. Bailey, seconded by R. Davison to accept committee reports. All in favor. Motion carried.

<u>Review of Provisional Membership</u>: There was three provisional memberships for review: Chelsea Perry, Shelby Ross and Chauntel Gilliland. R. Davison motioned to accept, seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor. Motion carried. L. McGovern volunteered to organize the various interests of the entire membership, indicated on new membership applications and renewals.

Old Business:

40th **Anniversary:** An email will be written by K. Bailey to the membership regarding possible events to be held in 2025, the Club's 40th anniversary.

New Business:

CGC Evaluators: L. Lapier requested a clarification of the motion made at the October meeting to reimburse members applying for CGC evaluators or renewing certification. The Club will offer to pay initial fees if more evaluators are needed. We now have 5 CGC evaluators. All evaluators renewing their certification declined reimbursement and reimbursement for one additional new certification was also declined.

Spring Classes: Will be scheduled soon with classes beginning tentatively in early April.

Summer Classes: B. Heins will contact the North Country Fairgrounds Board for permission to use the grounds for outdoor summer classes.

Insurance: K. Bailey has suggested we drop the agility barn from the insurance rider. We have few active members in agility and several drive from long distances. Winter weather is prohibitive for their attendance at barn agility. K. Bailey will research replacement costs for equipment, the container and the floor mats to update the liability insurance.

Electronic Payments: Using electronic payments for class payments, membership applications and renewals was discussed. K. Bailey will research the possibility.

Summer Indoor Classes: The idea of scheduling indoor classes I the North Country Squares' Building was presented and tabled until the next meeting. Motion: L. LaPier, Seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor.

Shedding Class: There has been interest in a shedding class. R. LaPier and Charlie Bubbins are researching the idea and will present a formal description of the class and a request for funds for materials.

Adjournment: The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Wednesday, April 17at 4:30 pm at the home of B. Heins. At 6:19 pm motion was made by L. LaPier to adjourn, seconded by R. LaPier.

Respectfully submitted, Linda LaPier Vice-President

> On February 27, 2024 Rodney LaPier motioned to donate \$1000 to Elmore SPCA to assist with the emergency situation. Approximately 50 dogs were rescued from an abusive situation in Beekmantown. The motion was seconded by Kim Bailey and unanimously approved. Board members included: K. Bailey, H. Morales, S. McBride, R. Davison and R. LaPier. L. LaPier served as Acting President.