

## **Clinton County Canine Club Membership Meeting Minutes: Febraury15, 2017**

**Members Present:** R. LaPier, L. Moffa, V.Siskavich, K. McCarty, R. Vincent, D. Pepin, L. LaPier, M. Davey

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The meeting was called to order by President R. LaPier at 6:32 pm.

A motion was made by to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the January 2017 Meeting by R. Vincent. Seconded by K. McCarty. All in favor, motion carried.

### **Officers' Reports:**

**President's Report:** No report

**Vice President's Report:** No report

**Secretary's Report:** Email correspondence received for information on the St. Lawrence Valley Dog Club to borrow our mats again, T. Kanzler forwarded newsletter from CVKC to list classes, seminars and would like it to be distributed to CCC Club membership and also inquired who to contact to schedule time about having show handling/open floor time class; Karen Bachelder from the Clinton Essex Franklin Library system was looking for outreach information (she also contacted L. LaPier).

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Income: \$255.00 Expenses: \$763.27 (Lakeshore Candy- Comfort Inn Thank You, CGC Class Partial Refund, Nationwide Insurance, Agility Barn Potty, J. Brooks ½ mat clean up)

Checking Balance February 13, 2017 - \$11312.92

Additional Checking Balance \$100.00

Savings Account Balance \$14684.35 + interest

### **Committee Reports:**

**Agility: C. Wilson** – No Report

**Family Dog Training Committee: L. McGovern, D. Kreider, D. Meunier** (Update provided by V. Siskavich) The winter weather has had a significant impact on our Tuesday classes during our Winter 2017 session. Classes have been canceled on January 24<sup>th</sup> and February 7<sup>th</sup> due to poor weather conditions. Our puppy class lost one additional session on January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Due to these cancellations, the Family Pet Dog Training Committee wishes to pose a request to the Board for consideration of extending our rental of the North Country Squares Building for one additional week for the Winter session to make up one of the missed classes (this additional class would be the held on March 21<sup>st</sup>).

Our committee is in the process of scheduling a meeting to be held within the next two weeks to plan classes for the spring session which is expected to begin early to mid April.

The Committee has no other items to report this month.

Per L. LaPier – A Free Night for Classes has been offered by the North Country Squares to make up for the lost time. IT costs \$80 for the mat guy to roll out the mats and roll them back up. L. LaPier proposed last summer to forego classes in January and February and run two six week classes in March and April and still finish in the middle of June with two weeks off before summer classes start. A 10 week class in January ends in the middle of March with at least one class be cancelled due to weather. The North Country Squares Building is free after the 5:20 class on Monday March 13<sup>th</sup> and the remaining time could be used for a make up session. The North Country Squares offered one Wednesday since the mats are already down – March 1, 8 or 15<sup>th</sup>. Proposed start for Spring Classes to begin is April 10<sup>th</sup>. An extra class would push spring classes to start April 18<sup>th</sup> and would end June 21<sup>st</sup> with summer classes slated to start on June 26<sup>th</sup>. Obedience wants to hold a match the weekend of April 8 and 9<sup>th</sup>. R. Vincent motion to offer Family Pet Dog the free days. Seconded by M. Davey. All in favor, motion carried. R. LaPier to parlay the information to Family Pet Dog Training Committee. They will be invited to the next meeting. Spring classes scheduled to start April 10<sup>th</sup> and make up sessions could be completed on Monday March 13<sup>th</sup> after 5:20 PM and only one of the following Wednesdays March 1, 8, or 15.

**Inventory: G. Sherman** – No report

**Ring Competition Committee: L. LaPier** – It has been a tough winter for scheduled classes but we are getting there. Spring classes to begin soon. Obedience Fun Match is being requested for the weekend of April 9<sup>th</sup>.

Flyer to be sent out. Pay for rental of the North Country Squares Building based on length of time there (\$10/hour). They wouldn't have to pay the mat guy if the match rolls into when the spring session starts. We need to be very careful of the floor in the building. Classes are scheduled to start April 10<sup>th</sup>, if the classes do not start April 10<sup>th</sup>, then it is \$20 to roll mats out and \$20 to roll them backup.

Approval to rent the North Country Squares Building and hold the Fun match made by K. McCarty. Seconded by D. Pepin. All in favor, motion carried.

**Scholarship: R. Vincent** – Nothing has been received from the 2016 scholarship winner. The committee will let it ride at this point and update if any communication is received from the 2016 winner.

**Welcome: V. Siskavich** – No Welcome packages send out at this time.

**Review of Provisional Member Applications:** One provisional membership: L. Martinez/A. Muller. Motion to accept provisional member made by D. Pepin. Seconded by L. Moffa. All in favor, motion carried.

**Old Business:**

**Open House**– No updates from M. Martin. Open House Committee to meet before the next board meeting. Scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup> in Trinity Park.

**Website** – Website is close to being ready to publish. A few more items need to be updated but will be launched by the March Board Meeting. Motion to publish new website made by R. Vincent. Seconded by M. Davey. All in favor, motion carried.

**Handbook** – No updates as L. LaPier did not have a WORD version to modify. V. Siskavich to send WORD version to L. LaPier.

**New Business:**

**St. Lawrence Valley Dog Club** – L. LaPier forwarded email request to borrow our mats for use. Stipulation same as last year which was \$100 in event that mats are not returned in the time frame agreed up on. Motion made by R. Vincent to loan the mats to the St. Lawrence Valley Dog Club. Seconded by L. Moffa. All in favor, motion carried. L. LaPier to notify St. Lawrence Dog Club of the approval for use of the mats.

**Donations to the Community** – V. Bechard's suggestions submitted via email were discussed. Since there are several discussions in regards of who to donate money to suggestion was made not to provide any funds to the community at this time. After much discussion, the board agreed to increase the scholarship fund to \$1000 (2 equal payments of \$500) and K. McCarty will contact D. Frederick at the 4H Club to find out what equipment they would like and a budget of \$200 to purchase equipment for the 4H club was suggested. Motion to accept was made by L. Moffa. Seconded by M. Davey. All in favor, motioned carried.

**Announcement** – P. Sullivan passed away. No information available on her services. Please advise if anyone has any information. She was a past President of the Canine Club and we would like to donate in her memory.

**Nominating Committee** – will gear up next month. Any ideas as to who would like to be on the nominating committee. V. Siskavich may note that she may not be able to continue as Secretary due to other commitments but would follow up with more information next month.

The motion to adjourn was made by D. Pepin, and seconded by M. Davey. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 8:01 PM.

Next meeting: Board Meeting – Wednesday March 15, 2017 at 6:30 PM at the Comfort Inn in Plattsburgh, NY.