

Clinton County Canine Club Membership Meeting Minutes: September 20, 2017

Members Present: Roxanne Vincent, Rodney LaPier, Bob Heins, Donna Pepin, Vicki Siskavich, Karen McCarty, LeeAnn Denyer

The meeting was called to order by President R. Vincent at 4:31 pm.

Motion to dispense with the reading of August's meeting minutes made by D. Pepin. 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: No report

Treasurer's Report: A couple of Thank You notes in the post office box – one from 4H for purchasing the dog training equipment and the other from Elmore SPCA for the Memorial donation for P. Sullivan. A flyer for Champlain Valley Morgan Horse Association for October 14th for a Community Flea Market. Flyer had more information if we wanted to rent a table.

Income: \$20 Expenses: \$4214.84 (Tire repair; envelops/stamps; North Country Squares Fall Rent; J. Brooks 1.2 mat clean up; Insurance; Agility Barn Rental; Memorial Donation; Storage Container delivery/rental; KLIMB tables; Website; Partial Summer Session refund; Press Republican Fall Session ad)

Checking Balance September 8, 2017 - \$10278.62

Additional Checking Balance \$100.00

Savings Account Balance \$14,792.99 + interest

Committee Reports:

Agility: C. Wilson – (Update provided by V. Siskavich) The equipment will be moved to the barn from the LaPier field on September 30, 2017. The move will be at 1:00. All agility participants are encouraged to help move equipment. If inclement weather, the move will take place on Sunday October 1, 2017.

Registration information has been sent out. Registration forms are due September 29, payment due October 2 for participation in this year's winter agility program.

Building: L. Moffa – No report

Family Dog Training Committee: D. Meunier (Update provided by V. Siskavich) The Family Pet Dog Training Committee classes are going full strength... Tuesday classes are full and the Monday AKC Scent Work class should be starting next week. The KLIMB tables were delivered at the end of August and are being put to use in, not only the basic and CGC classes, but also in the Monday Tricks Classes.

We look forward to a fun Fall.

Inventory: G. Sherman (Update provided by V. Siskavich) – The CCCC inventory has been updated to reflect the location change for equipment moved from the Squares building to the storage container at the LaPier's. It also shows the addition of the KLIMB tables at the Squares building. The changes are in blue font in the inventory spreadsheet.

Scholarship: M. Hamelin – No report as there are no new applications for scholarships

Welcome: V. Siskavich – No report. J. Puhalla to start sending out the Welcome letters.

Review of Provisional Member Applications: T. Garrow, S. Nephew, C. Beck, R. Hearn and J. Maggy.

Motion to accept provisional members made by B. Heins. Seconded by D. Pepin. All in favor, motion carried.

Social Media Presentation – L. Denyer – some activity early August then it kind of stopped. She will try sending out note about therapy dogs and send photos to be published on social media. We will try to be more proactive about social media. Definitely need photos to share. L. Denyer asked for email addresses for each fall instructor to ask for photos or videos. D. Pepin to send email out to membership asking for brags to be placed on social media.

Website: N. Fernandez (Update provided by R. Vincent) – There is no Instagram feed on the website due to the Weebly tool. He wants to overhaul how the site looks and has not created any new gmail accounts. If there are any changes, please let him know.

Old Business:

Handbook: No updates. R. Vincent to take ScentWork out of handbook and have N. Fernandez publish to website.

Brochures – R. Vincent to order 150 brochures. She will send order and file to Pennysaver and K. McCarty volunteered to pick up when ready. D. Pepin said she could drop off brochures to Eagle’s Nest in Champlain, NY.

Decals: no one has had a chance to follow up on decals

New business:

Proposal – Submitted by Dorothy Douglas, Deb Kreider, Eileen Armstrong

Very simple and basic, so we make sure something gets done. Hopefully acceptable to all. Note that privacy and confidentiality is considered, but we feel that at least, a minimal acknowledgement of a loss is necessary from the club.

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1. Any member can and should notify a board member of the death, loss of a family member, or illness of a CCCC member.
 2. The board member should verify the information as much as possible and contact the secretary to send out an appropriate card.
 3. The board member should contact the CCCC president and discuss who shall contact the affected party to offer sympathy and support as well as determine the level of privacy desired.
 4. Based of level of discretion desired, the CCCC secretary should notify the membership. Notification may range from allowing total privacy to simply informing of a loss or illness without details, to the addition of any details the party wishes to share.

Please note that any communications shared within the club are considered private communications and should not be shared publicly.

(The above statement should be added at the bottom of any club email regarding private matters.)

5. In the event of a death of a club member or his or her family member, CCCC shall make a memorial donation to a charity of the family's preference or a direct donation to the family, not to exceed \$500, but not less than \$100. Said donation may be cash or gift cards as determined by the board via phone, email, or meeting.

Memorial donations have been discussed in depth in the past and after much discussion the following has been proposed by the Board:

In the event of the death of a current club member, when the Board is notified, a card will be sent out and a memorial donation will be at the discretion of the Board.

Motion to approve proposal by B. Heins. Seconded by R. LaPier. All in favor, motion carried.

Vouchers: One instructor had an issue with vouchers during the summer session. It is stated that in order to obtain a voucher, you had to be a member in good standing. Do we want to make any corrections to this or let the instructors handle on a case by case basis. Board unanimously agreed to let the instructors handle this issue.

KLIMB Tables – R. LaPier indicated they were very slippery. R. Vincent and L. LaPier have them well stenciled.

Meeting adjourned at 5:19 pm. Motion to adjourn meeting by K. McCarty. Seconded by B. Heins. All in favor, motion carried.

Next meeting: Board Meeting – Wednesday, October 18th 4:30pm at Comfort Inn in Plattsburgh