

Clinton County Canine Club Board Meeting Minutes:

Monday, July 22, 2024, held at 80 Beekman Street, Plattsburgh, NY

Members present:

Bob Heins, Linda LaPier, Linda McGovern, L.J. Vincent, Judy Quay, Rodney LaPier

Members excused:

Beth Dixon

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:02AM by Bob Heins.

Prior Meeting's Minutes Approval

Motion to approve the May 22, 2024 minutes was made by Rodney LaPier and seconded by Linda LaPier. All in favor; motion approved.

Officers' Reports

President: Bob Heins – no report

Vice-President: Linda LaPier – no report

Secretary: Linda McGovern

The 2024 – 2025 membership renewal drive is winding down. As of July 20th, 57 memberships have been renewed. A reminder email was sent to members whose renewals had not yet been received, resulting in a few more renewals as well as some additional responses from members who indicated that they do not intend to renew.

Under new business I will introduce the newly compiled member interests and contribution data reports with the objective of determining how to use and distribute this information.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda McGovern

Treasurer: L.J. Vincent

June 2024 Financial Summary:

- Beginning Balance: \$19,318.46
- Income: \$320.00
- Expenses: \$1,918.38
- Ending Balance: \$17,720.08
- Savings Balance: \$14,902.84

There were follow-on discussions of the status of summer class deposits and the need for acknowledgement of donations made to the club. A request was made to Linda McGovern to send thank you notes to acknowledge the donations received.

Committee Reports

Family Pet Dog Training: Linda LaPier

An August planning meeting for fall classes will be held.

Mat lay-down and pick-up still requires resolution. Bob Heins to follow-up with instructors to request that the number of sessions for all indoor classes be the same in order to ensure a consistent week-to-week schedule for laying down and picking up the mats. 8 weeks for fall and spring and 10 weeks for winter (to allow for weather interruptions) was suggested.

Linda LaPier to inquire with ARC and SunMount regarding a possible contract to provide mat lay-down and pick-up services.

Event Coordinator and Social Media: Vicki Siskavich – No report

Welcome: Janet Puhalla – No report

Website: Helen and Thaddeus Morales

Constitution has been updated on our website.

“About Us” page still requires update – information has been provided by Linda LaPier

Scholarship: Rebecca Shuman - No report

Need to confirm membership in committee

Outreach: Judy Quay

Outreach activities have been pretty quiet. Plattsburgh State Library is contacting teams directly for visits.

A request was received through our website from a caregiver of an elderly resident for a home visit. It was noted that the Love on a Leash insurance does not cover home visits. TDI might cover this activity, but there are not many current TDI certifications. Resolution to be determined.

Ad Hoc: Electronic Payments: L.J. Vincent

No report; additional effort on this project is tabled at this time.

Approval of Committee Reports:

A motion was made by Rodney LaPier; seconded by L.J. Vincent to accept the committee reports. All in favor; motion passed.

Approval of Provisional Members

There were no provisional membership applications presented.

Old Business

40th Anniversary: Linda LaPier reported that solicitation for volunteers to work on the planning committee for the 40th Anniversary celebrations will be issued in September.

Mat Set-Up and Take-Down: See above in training committee discussion

New Business

Membership Data – Interests and Volunteered Contributions: Linda McGovern presented the reports of compiled member interests and volunteer contributions that members are providing via the membership applications and renewal forms. It was agreed to distribute the reports via email on a quarterly frequency to club officers and committee leads.

Club Publicity: Rodney LaPier brought up the need for better club publicity, noting that he has heard from people taking our classes that they were unaware of the existence of our club. It was suggested to resume putting ads in the weekly Sun publication that pointed readers to our website for further information (such as our class schedule). This item will be carried forward to the next meeting's agenda.

Use of Instructor Vouchers: Kim Bailey suggested the ability to use vouchers to go towards membership dues. This would require a change to the constitution. This item will be carried forward to the next meeting's agenda.

Next Meeting

There will be no August meeting.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, September 18th at 4:30PM at the residence of Bob Heins (80 Beekman Street, Plattsburgh)

Future meetings are planned for the third Wednesday of each month at 4:30.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 11:06AM by Rodney LaPier; seconded by L.J. Vincent. All in favor; motion approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda McGovern, Secretary