

Date: November 15, 2023

Time: 7:00 PM

Place: via Zoom

Present at the meeting via Zoom were Caleb Chao, Kate Sontag and Ronnie Sacco. Kyle Smith and John Sloman were unable to attend.

Minutes from the previous meeting on August 22, 2023 were approved.

Finances

- Finance Chair John Sloman reported via email on November 5, 2023 that the FPDP bank balance stands at \$2996.12.
- From August 21-November 5, \$420 was collected from Venmo and \$660 from the onsite collection box. (Note Kate Sontag and Ronnie Sacco organized an onsite fund drive over the Labor Day weekend which generated a portion of these donations.)
- The current balance will more than satisfy the January 1 payment of approximately \$2000 for both the semi-annual payment to the clean-up service as well as bag replenishment.
- With no need for an onsite fund drive for the January payment, the Committee agreed to schedule the next drives in mid-April and over the Memorial Day holiday in order to meet our July 1, 2024 payment due.

Registration Campaign

- Caleb Chao reported that we currently have 213 dog owner registrants on our site.

Social Media

- The Committee agreed that there appears to be no need to make a fundraising push on social media as the on-site campaigns have been so successful.
- Social media continues to be a good way to generate good will in the community with photo and video postings of park activity

Cleanup Campaign

- Committee agreed that the visitor clean-up efforts are succeeding as a sense of community for park visitors appears to be on the rise with dog owners taking more responsibility for cleaning up after their own dogs and, when required, other dogs.
- Committee will assess at February meeting whether it is necessary to install an additional waste receptacle at main park entry and/or private smaller area.

Other

- Kate Sontag reported that there is a unique and growing sense of community at the park, with tight knit groups forming at all hours of the day. This has also helped to contribute to improved clean-up efforts, etc.

- Committee members agreed that future FPDP meetings will be held on a quarterly basis, unless a situation arises that necessitates an interim meeting.
- Committee members agreed to reach out to Kyle Smith in coming weeks to determine his interest in remaining on the FPDP Committee.

The next meeting of FPDP will take place on February 15, 2024, via Zoom. The Chairperson for this meeting is TBD.