

Dog Park Committee Meeting

May 4, 2023 @ 6:00 PM

Markesan, WI

The following members were present: Joanne Klatt, Kimbal Loudenslager, Kathy Loudenslager, Moria Pollesch, Nichole Augustyowicz, Helen Reid, and Rich Slate.

With a Quorum present, the Chairperson called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Motion to add another double gate between the small and large dog areas by Helen/Moria. Motion carried.

Motion to amend the budget and raise dog equipment to \$7,000 by Nichole/Kimball. Motion carried.

New budget: \$32,000 for the dog park with the following allocations: Security cameras - \$300, Water line and faucet - \$700, and parking lot (gravel only) - \$1,500, fencing - \$19,000, initial dog equipment - \$7,000, and fundraising/promotion costs – \$3,500.

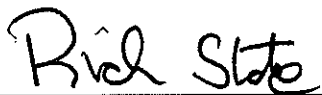
The Committee reviewed and discussed park policies and rules. Moria bring back revised guidelines to the next meeting.

Discussion on having a raffle. Rich will check to see if the Chamber can help because they already have a raffle license. The City set up a separate bank account and connected it to the "go fund me" web page.

The next meeting is at City Hall at 6:00 pm on June 1, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 6:55 pm.

Respectfully submitted by



Rich Slate, Chairperson

Markesan Dog Park Rules

Thank you for visiting our dog park. Your visit to the dog park is under video surveillance for the safety of you and your dog. Use park at your own risk. Dog owners/handlers are responsible for the behavior of the dog(s) at all times.

Hours of operation:

6 am-Sunset year round

Vaccinations/ Dog license:

Dogs must wear a collar, be properly licensed, and have proof of current rabies vaccine.

Park Use:

- Dogs must be leashed while entering/ exiting the park and outside the park.
- All gates shall be immediately closed after any person enters or exits the dog park.
- Owners must remain in fenced area with dog while off leash. Limit 3 dogs per owner. Dog handlers must be at least 14 years of age.
- Dogs must be under voice control and in view of owner at all time.
- Owners are legally responsible for damages and injuries inflicted by their dogs.
- Dog treats are allowed only. No raw hide, bones, or pig ears allowed.

Clean up:

Owners must carry a leash and clean-up bags at all times. Immediately clean-up and properly dispose of waste deposited by their dogs. Waste can is located by the entrance. Failure of an owner to clean up after their pet can lead to dismissal from the park.

Park use for classes:

Park use for dog obedience classes may be organized through Markesan City Hall for a small fee.

Dog conflicts:

Aggressive dogs are not allowed. All dogs must be removed from the park at the sign of aggression. Handlers are responsible for any injury caused by the dog(s) under their control. Any altercation between dogs or handlers must be reported to the city of Markesan police department.

Prohibited:

- Glass containers
- No female dogs in heat
- Pets/animals other than dogs
- Unlicensed or unvaccinated dogs
- Sick or injured dogs, kennel cough
- Puppies under 4 months
- No smoking allowed in the park
- No alcohol allowed

Injury/ Liability:

Use of this park has been granted to us by the City of Markesan. If rules are not followed, this privilege will be taken away. The City of Markesan shall not be responsible for any person or dog using the dog park. The Municipal Code of Markesan applies to the dog park.

Additional information:

Digging is not permitted, and dog owners must fill in any holes their dog leaves. Holes can be a hazard for dogs and people. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. All visitors have a stake in the success of the park. These rules are in place to make the park a pleasant experience for all.