

Robert J. DeRubeis Commissioner

Off-Leash Area Working Group Friday, April 05, 2013 9:30 a.m., Room 202 Meeting Minutes

Attending: Commissioner DeRubeis, Officer Ralph Torres, Amy Koel, Ted Kuklinski, Carol Schein, Carol Stapleton

- 1. Cabot Park
 - a. Surfacing update
 - Mr. Kenyon reported the representative from Forever Lawn will attend the meeting next week to provide information regarding K9 Grass
 - Commissioner DeRubeis commented the area may have different types of surfacing.
 - Commissioner DeRubeis contacted the Water Department to ask about installing a water connection in the area and is waiting for a response. Next week a vote should be taken regarding planting arborvitaes along the perimeter fence.
 - b. Hours
- Commissioner DeRubeis commented at the next meeting the group should vote on the hours. There have been many requests to extend the hours now that it is light out after 5:00pm. This would allow people who are working, to use the off-leash area.
- 2. Data Collection
- Jason Roberts has been collecting data at the off-leash areas, including number of dogs and people in the off-leash areas.
- 3. Conservation Land
 - There has been no news from the Conservation Commission on creating the subcommittee to discuss off-leash areas on conservation land. Commissioner DeRubeis asked Mr. Kuklinski to reach out to Susan Lunin.
- 4. New Business
- Mr. Kuklinski asked if the area across from Oakley Spa has been considered for an
 off-leash area, there is plenty of parking. Commissioner DeRubeis commented the
 Traffic Division would have to take a look at the area.
- 5. Next meeting
- The next meeting is Friday, April 12, 2013 at 9:30am in Room 202