

## **Newton Parks & Recreation Department**

### **Off Leash Committee Meeting Minutes**

**August 31, 2012**

**Present:** Commissioner DeRubeis, Carol Schein, Carol Stapleton, Amy Koel, Lee McIntrye

Update on Off Leash Sites: Discussion on Cabot Park and a suggestion of trees, additional barrels and the possible addition of a double entrance gate system

Discussion on Braceland which seems to be working great.

Discussion on McGrath – suggestion to fix hole in fence

Discussion on Hunneywell – suggestion to fill in some holes within the off leash area.

Update on Training Classes – Amy Koel reported that the sessions were very well received and a total of 16 participants attended. She also reported that owners prefer the classes to be held in a fenced in site such as Cabot which had 10 participants. She will work on scheduling additional training classes.

Commissioner DeRubeis reported that there would be an event at Pellegrini on September 29<sup>th</sup> at which an information table could be added to the program. Details to follow from Ana Gonzalez of the Mayor's Office.

A reminder that the next meeting to be held on Friday, September 7<sup>th</sup> is dedicated to a discussion only on Edmands Park and that no formal vote would be taken at this time.