



Robert J. DeRubeis  
Commissioner

## Off-Leash Area Working Group

Friday, October 19, 2012

9:30 a.m., Room 202

### Meeting Minutes

**Attending:** Commissioner DeRubeis, Alderman Albright, Officer Ralph Torres, Amy Koel, Ted Kuklinski, Lee McIntyre, Carol Schein, Carol Stapleton

#### 1. Off-Leash Area Update

- ✓ Commissioner DeRubeis received another call regarding fencing the Old Cold Spring Park off-leash area. Fencing the off-leash area does not solve the issue; the issue is on the trails and in other areas of the park.
- ✓ Mr. McIntyre commented there needs to be a standard on what an "incident" is. There have been no police reports.
- ✓ The group reviewed a map of the area and discussed the options. Discussion to continue during the next meeting.
- ✓ Ms. Beth Lewinger, Resident was in attendance and commented she recently wrote an article in the TAB about an incident in the park and an off-leash dog on the trail. Her son will not go to the park because of the incident.
- ✓ Commissioner DeRubeis commented OLAWG and the Parks & Recreation Department are planning on hiring an Off-Leash Area Specialist for these specific reasons, education and enforcement.

#### 2. Next meeting

- ✓ There is no meeting on Friday, October 26. The next meeting is Friday November 2 at 9:30am in Room 202

Respectfully Submitted

*Robin McLaughlin, Secretary*