

Dogs in Park Work Group
October 11, 2006
Milwaukie Center
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.
[Notes taken by Eric Shawn]

Approximately twelve to fourteen people attended the meeting, including Sally Shook, Jim Schuld, Tony Clark and Eric Shawn from the Stewardship Committee for North Clackamas Park.

Questions:

1. How do we improve the existing dog park?
2. How do we protect North Clackamas Park?
3. How do we protect the neighbors from dog noise?

Tony Clark read letters from neighbors about the dog park.

The remaining discussion focused on potential locations in the district for additional dog parks. This followed on the September discussion about relieving the pressure on North Clackamas Park by adding more dog parks throughout the district.

- Three Creeks ODOT site
 - Can the desired qualities of a dog park be applied?
 - What about demographics?
 - Consider sponsorships.
 - Clackamas County is trying to acquire the ODOT property.
 - There is a master planning process for Three Creeks
 - How about the homeless population in the park?
- Happy Valley
 - No water
 - No shade
 - Single gate
 - Too small
 - Heavy mole activity
 - No signage
 - No tables
- Village Green [152nd and Sunnyside [2.7 acres]
 - Has water
- Check Lake Oswego
- Oregon Trail School
 - Needs fencing

- PGE Sites [There is often room under the power lines.]
- Happy Valley IPU – Elementary School
- NCP: Property of Christian Church next to NCP
- NCP: West of the Knoll
- Altemont Park [4 acres]
- Kronburg Park [Milwaukie]
- Design WES detention ponds to double as dog parks

Other Comments

- Space is needed for small dogs
- A wash area is desired
- Join the Yahoo Group

Action Item

- Tony Clark will take the lead in developing a proposal that includes adjustments to the existing dog park. This will be distributed to the neighbors for their comments. The proposal will seek solutions.
- Focus on immediate Dog Park issues at NCP. Establish rules.
- Tony Clark is working on the survey.
- Hold a dog appreciation day (with training).

Future Agenda items

- Develop a clear set of Dog Park rules.
- Recommend a time line for public process