



West County D.O.G.S.

Dogparks of Greater St. Louis—
West County Chapter

Mission

Our mission is to contribute to the health and well-being of people and domestic dogs by advocating for the inclusion, design, construction, maintenance, and safe operation of legal, enclosed, off-leash recreation areas in West County St. Louis.

Vision

We envision a system of dog parks, with a range of sizes and features, serving the needs of a diverse population.

West County D.O.G.S. Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 3, 2005, 7-9 PM

Thornhill Branch of St. Louis County Public Library

Opening business

A regular meeting of West County D.O.G.S. was called to order at 7:15 P.M. Members present included:

- Diane Thomas--chair, recorder
- Karen Hawkins--Chesterfield
- Deana Jarboe—unincorporated

The agenda for the meeting was approved.

Community reports

The members at the meeting were new, so discussion focused on progress toward construction of a dog park in general in West County. The Creve Coeur proposal was discussed and fundraising events, such as the Chesterfield K-9 Splash.

Old business

Peer training was cancelled and discussion of old business included possible names for our organization when we become a Missouri nonprofit corporation. One visitor suggested that it might be confusing to change the name now, after having called ourselves West County D.O.G.S. for a year. Another suggestion for a name was West County D.O.G.I. (West County Dog Owners Grassroots Initiative).

In addition to a name change, the chair offered an overview of our strategic plan to the new members.

Closing business

The meeting was wrapped up with a reminder of the upcoming dog swims in West County, especially the Chesterfield K-9 Splash and a reminder that the September meeting was cancelled in favor of the dog swims.

The date, time and location of the next meeting was announced-- Wed., Oct. 5, from 7-9 P.M. at the Thornhill Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

Submitted by Diane Thomas.