



EAST WINDSOR DOG OWNER PARK PROPOSAL



***Submitted by:
East Windsor Parks and Recreation
&
East Windsor Dog Owners Group (E.W.D.O.G)***



Goals for the EW Dog Owners Park

- ❖ To establish a fenced in, off-leash dog park where well-behaved canines can exercise in a clean, safe environment without endangering wildlife, annoying people, or being destructive to private or public properties.
- ❖ To develop an easily maintainable space, open to all dog lovers and friends who are willing to uphold the park's rules and restrictions.
- ❖ To view this park as a community project, in partnership with the Town of East Windsor and local dog owners, designed to satisfy the needs of dog owners and non-dog owners alike.
- ❖ Increase compliance with dog licensing law.

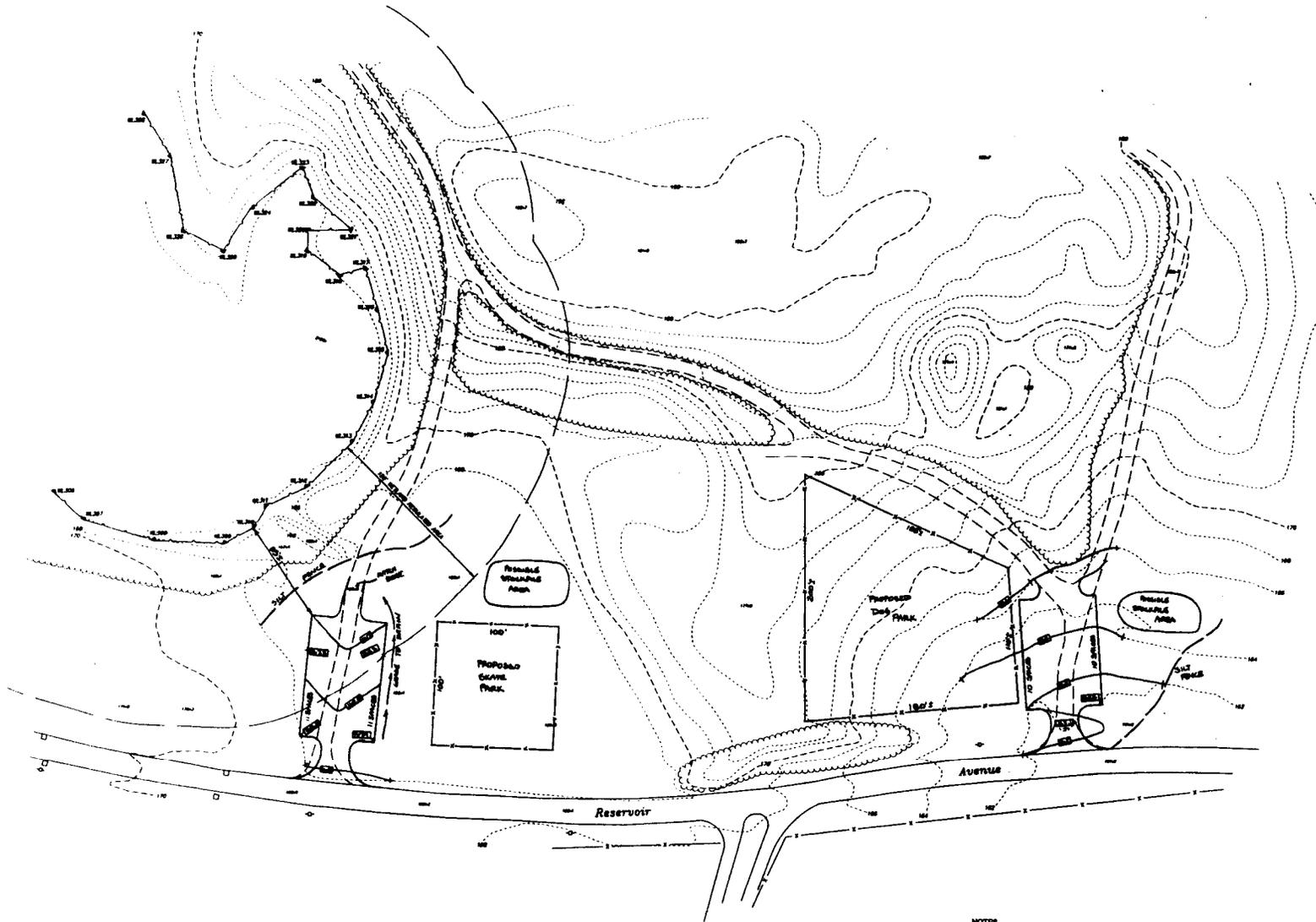


“Mom I need to get off the couch!”

And the location IS.....

- Site Plan for the Kogut Property has been approved by Inland/Wetlands Commission and the Planning and Zoning Commission.





MAP REFERENCE:

"EXCAVATION PLAN PREPARED FOR KODUT ENTERPRISES EAST WINDSOR, CONN." SCALE 1" = 20', REVISED TO 4-5-05, SHEETS 1 - 3 OF 3, BY MASON & HEADLE.

NOTES

1. ALL CONSTRUCTION SHALL BE IN ACCORDANCE WITH TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR AND CONN. DOT STANDARDS.
2. ALL PROPOSED PARKING AREAS SHALL BE PROCESSED ACCORDATE.
3. PRIOR TO ANY CONSTRUCTION, BILT FENCE SHALL BE PLACED AS SHOWN ON THE PLAN AND INSPECTED BY TOWN STAFF.
4. TOPOGRAPHY AND WETLANDS LOCATIONS FROM REFERENCED MAP.
5. THERE IS 9,000 SQUARE FEET OF UPLAND REVIEW AREA DISTURBANCE.
6. THERE IS NO WETLAND DISTURBANCE.

East Windsor
 MAY 6 2008
 Inland Wetland Agency



TOWN OF EAST WINDSOR
Proposed Dog & Skate Park

Reservoir Avenue
 East Windsor, Connecticut

MAP 31, BLOCK 57, PARCEL 001

BY	DATE	DATE	SCALE	PROJECT	NO.
LJN	1/24/07	5-5-08	1" = 40'	TOP 1	

Dog Owners Park Specifications

- Park would require one acre to be fully fenced in.
 - Natural slope will be incorporated into layout.
 - Shrubbery will be placed on the outside of the fencing to act as a noise and sight buffer.
 - Researching steps on putting in a cross walk from EW park.
 - Walking trail behind the park that will lead to alternative parking from the BMX/Skateboard Park.
- Two separate areas within Main Enclosure:
 1. Large Dog Area: .8 acres
 2. Small Dog Area: .2 acres
- Entrances:
 1. One Main entrance
 2. One entrance to small dog area
 3. One entrance to large dog area
 4. Truck entrance for woodchip removal and drop off

Site Preparation and Equipment

- **Projected Dollar Amount to be raised by Dog Owners Group: \$30,000**
- **Initial required plan and costs:**
- Site Preparation, (Potential in kind donation from Public Works and Parks and Rec Staff)
- Grading- Little will be required as Dog Park can have natural slope
- Driveway and parking area will not be paved.
 - **Fencing:**
 - Install approximately 1,000 linear feet at a height of 4 ft and 4 gates
 - Obtained 3 quotes: Valued at \$25,000
 - Offer of donation of labor: Valued at \$2,000
 - Tax Exemption applies
- **Dog Bag Receptacles:** (would need 3)
 - Prices range from \$250-\$500 for receptacles
 - Yearly purchase of bags: \$100-\$200
 - Fundraisers and Sponsorships to pay for yearly cost
- **Wood Chips:**
 - Donations and Fundraising will be the primary source
- **Signage:**
 - Purchased by the Parks and Recreation Department in accordance with the Parks and Recreation Commission.



Funding for the EW Dog Owners Park

- The dog owners group has taken the responsibility of fundraising for this project:
 - They plan to start with the basic park, and add amenities later utilizing donations from patrons of the park. They are also looking into applying for grant opportunities.
 - Other sources of funding would be donations of labor woodchips - either from the Town or an outside agency, and other volunteers to help with yearly maintenance projects.
 - They also hope to sell sponsorship opportunities to local businesses and then display those businesses with proper signage at the park.
 - Another source of income would be to hold special events associated with the dog park.
 - Canine Education Classes
 - Good Citizen Dog Class
 - Kids Dog Show
 - Rent out the park to certain breed groups for educational activities and play groups.



LIABILITY & RESPONSIBILITY

- CT Law states liability and responsibility for dog injuries are the responsibility of the dog owner.
- Town is required to have proper signage:
 - Rules of the Park, and Hours of Operation
- Upon acceptance of this project by the required Town agencies the Parks and Recreation Commission will develop rules and regulations for the East Windsor Dog Owner Park.



Dog Park Rules

Pending final approval from the Parks and Recreation Commission

- The Town of East Windsor is not responsible and shall have no liability for the acts or omissions of individuals or their animals that utilize the dog park. You are liable for any injury or damage caused by your animal. Owners and canines enter at their own risk.
- Dogs must have a valid license, be current on their shots, and wear a collar with identification.
- Children running or chasing after dogs is prohibited. Children within the dog park need to be under close adult supervision at all times.
- Carry a leash at all times. Leash your dog when entering and exiting the dog park and IMMEDIATELY upon any sign of aggression.
- Keep your dog within view and under voice control. Never leave your dog unattended.
- Clean up after your dog anywhere within the park and outside the off-leash area. Dispose of waste properly, utilizing appropriate waste receptacle
- Immediately fill in any holes your dog digs
- Prohibited animals: aggressive dogs, female dogs in heat, dogs younger than four months, and sick dogs.
- Limit three (3) dogs per person per visit.
- Smoking is not permitted within the dog park
- No bicycles within the dog park.
- No food or drink (except for training treats) allowed within the dog park.

Method of Operation

- **This park would operate on the same schedule as all parks under the direction of the East Windsor Park & Recreation Department. A posted sign stating hours, rules and emergency numbers will be displayed and easily visible when arriving at the park.**
- ***The Park & Recreation Department reserves the right to close the facility at any time in order to ensure safety and properly maintain and or inspect any issues that may arise at the park.***





Maintenance Requirements

- Waste retrieval would be the responsibility of patrons of the park. The Parks and Recreation Department will empty the trash receptacles as needed.
 - The current location of the Kogut property would be conducive to this due to the location of our dumpster across the street at the East Windsor Park.
 - It would also enable us to have our Summer employees have easy access to this park during its peak season.
- The general daily maintenance of this park will be the dog owners themselves to be held accountable for picking up after their dogs.
- A yearly clean-up will take place with the East Windsor Dog Owners Group to assist with wood chip replacement and general beautification, or upgrades to this park.



Hamden Dog Park

What we have accomplished and what is next



Site Plans and Site Approval-

- With the help of Town Planner Laurie Whitten and Town Engineer Len Norton

• Proposal approval and referrals from Town Boards and Commissions:



- Conservation Commission/ Inland Wetland Watercourse Agency
- Planning and Zoning Commission
- Parks and Recreation Commission
- Board of Selectmen



- Educate and Inform Residents
- Fundraise and Seek Donations
- Begin Construction!



Please feel free to visit the
East Windsor Dog Owners Group
Website:

<http://www.freewebs.com/ewdogpark/>

On behalf of the:



Parks and Recreation Department
The East Windsor Dog Owners Group
And all East Windsor Dogs
We Thank You for considering our project!



“Please take me to the Dog Park”

