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Buffalo Grove Park District Dog Park Reopens

(Buffalo Grove Park District, Buffalo Grove, IL) – The Buffalo Grove Park District has reopened the Happy Tails Dog Park, located at 835 Commerce Court in Buffalo Grove - the south end of the parking lot at the Sidney Mathias Metra Train Station.

The dog park was closed on March 25, as a result of the governor’s expanded executive order. Since then though, as the pandemic has evolved, some outdoor facilities and amenities have been able to reopen, including the tennis and pickleball courts, the disc gold courses, and now the dog park.

The additional rules that have been implemented include practicing social distancing of at least 6 feet apart, not petting other people’s dogs, and wearing a face mask is recommended. Additionally, for health and safety purposes, the water remains shut off at the facility.

Since all indoor facilities are still closed, prohibiting the Park District from being able to process new dog park permits, the decision has been made to allow all 2019 permits to remain valid until 2020 permits are able to be obtained.

“We had been hearing from many dog owners, wondering when the dog park would reopen,” said Buffalo Grove Park District superintendent of communications and marketing, Mike Terson. He added, “With so many facilities closed, and so many events canceled, it’s nice when we are able to announce some good news, and give people a little bit of normalcy.”

Anyone who has recently moved into the area, and doesn’t have a 2019 dog park permit, can contact the Park District at info@bgparks.org, to inquire about obtaining a temporary permit to use until their facilities reopen.
For information on the dog park, including rules, forms, and information on how to obtain a permit, visit the Happy Tails Dog Park page on the Park District’s website at bgparks.org.

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