

Officials have problem with pets in park

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Amity Township will be looking into ways of enforcing its policy prohibiting pets in Amity Community Park.

The property is maintained by Daniel Boone School District personnel and it's the district's policy not to allow pets. The park is used heavily for recreational and sports activities and pets are often brought to the park.

"It's a problem we're having over in Amity Community Park," township Manager Charles Lyon said. "We have rules which prohibit pets in the park, which people either are not aware of or choose not to observe."

The supervisors discussed possibly hiring a monitor to patrol the park and cite anyone caught violating the policy, feeling the job is not appropriate for their police force.

"Police should be doing more important things than chasing down pet owners," Supervisor Kim McGrath said.

The board directed Lyon to contact area municipalities to inquire how they are handling the problem.

The township will post more signs at the park stating that there are no pets allowed on the property.

- By Dan Andrews