

Animal Control Commission

Meeting Minutes

January 9, 2017

I. Call to order

Maribeth called to order the regular meeting of the Animal Control Commission at 6:03 PM on January 9, 2017 at Lancaster Community Center, Staff Break Room.

II. Members/Attendees Present

The following members were present: Phil Eugene, Maribeth Eugene, Phyllis Tower, Mary de Alderete, Joyce Moody. Erin DeCoste joined the meeting at 6:20 PM

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from December 5, 2016 were approved.

Dogs

A driver took six-month-old puppy, call back driver actually struck the puppy, Langen Road. Phyllis was not told about it, but read it in the log

Puppy found and brought to Wachusett animal hospital, finder put down \$100 to have the puppy helped, AHIMSA Haven Rescue took over, puppy put down.

Large white husky on Center Bridge, found the dog spoke to the finder she said it didn't sound like the same dog but it was two houses away.

Report of a loose large pit bull/mastiff on Fitch Road

Dog owner on Maynard wanted to talk to me about his neighbors complaining about his barking dogs.

Dog on Lee Street was reported loose, owner stated it was not.

Report of a loose brown dog on Sterling Street at Chase Hill.

Second report of a dog left out overnight in the garage on Lee Street, owner stated last time the dog sleeps on her bed. Phyllis is looking into this one.

Two loose large black dogs near Blue Heron

Loose white dog with black spots Mill Street near Gorham .

Small black dog Bolton Road appeared cold but ran off

Walk into the station brought in a dog found on Old Common belonged on Old Bolton .

Dog lost from Packard, found by a resident and brought to Bolton Police station -small dog reported loose running in traffic in front of the post office, was caught by Officer Gadoua.

Phyllis will begin “knocking on doors” of any outstanding dogs not licensed from 2016.

Cats

Report of a dying cat on Kilbourn, trapped, put down at VCA

Report of someone's father feeding a stray for 10 years now has an injured leg. Phyllis suggested organizations that may help

Stray cat or Winslow resident would like the cat gone.

Resident called from Winslow saying her daughter had been feeding a cat and wanted know if it belong to anyone. The cat was picked up by a friend and brought to a shelter.

Wildlife:

Photo shown from Judy Jake's regarding a bobcat, and discussion regarding other possible “big cats” in the area.

Quarantine:

Ten day dog/dog on Main Street

Gibbons – Phyllis mentioned that the dog seemed to be controlled, but that she still needs an appointment to check the fence to verify everything in the order has been completed.

Beckner – Mary spoke with Mr. Beckner and he noted that one his dogs had to be put down, but that he hopes to chip “Z” within the next couple of weeks and promised to forward a picture of the dog.

New board members – Phyllis has reached out to someone in the community and hopes to hear back whether they are available to serve on the Board.

It was voted to change the meeting time for the next meeting to 6:30 PM in order to better accommodate members.

Other Business

- The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, February 13th, at 6:30 pm..

I. Adjournment

- Joyce Moody made a motion at 6:53 PM to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Maribeth Eugene. Meeting adjourned.