Animal Control Commission Meeting Minutes

September 14, 2020

I. Call to order

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

II. Members/Attendees Present

The following members were present: Phil Eugene, Maribeth Eugene, Phyllis Tower, Robert Foney, Adrienne Gadouia, Joyce Moody, John Roper.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

Motion to approve prior meeting minutes was 2nded and approved. Voted on.

IV. Animal and Fines Report

Court Hearings

Phyllis emailed Diane. Didn't hear back. Making sure the unpaid violations for Nims (?) and Bazyglo (?) are paid. If unpaid, Phyllis will go to courthouse and fill out criminal applications.

Talked with clerk's office at the courthouse regarding Zarella. They wanted to make sure they had all the paperwork from the hearing. They did have everything. Phyllis also called to see if a decision had been made because it had been taken under advisement with the Judge. Zarella has asked for another court date. She is looking for paperwork on everything. It was sent to Phyllis and her lawyer. Phyllis' answer was: as Deirdra was told in the past, she needed to request the paperwork from the police department for any animal calls. And she needed to do records request for the town clerk's office also. It's the same thing she told Deirdra and the lawyer.

In August, we went to the hearing together. The Judge read through the paperwork. No decision was made except for another court date. She asked for another court date. It continues on. Phyllis will not let up, she says.

Only court date outstanding is Zarella.

There was one other but no one can remember the name. Maribeth will go through her notes to find the name. She says there were 3.

Animal Report

Bears in yard on Stagecoach: Nothing can be done on bears in the neighborhood. It's up to the environmental police.

Unlicensed Dogs 2020

Because of COVID, the town postponed the deadline, which is usually March 31. Anyone who doesn't license by December 31, will be fined. Maribeth will send unlicensed dog report to all board members to review. Melissa says it's been publicized via email and they have let

people know. But nothing is visible online or in email newsletter from Diane Reardon. Maribeth concerned unpaids will roll into 2021, then people will get fined, and then we have to play catch up.

V. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held November 2, 2020 at 6PM.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made and seconded at 6:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Foney

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JULY:

Dogs:

- 17 missing Chocolate Lab from South Meadow
- 17 missing cats from fire rd 10 later returned
- 23 two loose dogs Lee Street sm gr fluffy the other one is br and lg
- 27 two dogs left out side all day in the heat, reached owner her two dogs are in

Wildlife:

- 7 sick fox on Hemlock
- 15 dead fox in back yard High Street Extension, several, options were given
- 11 sick fox on Fitch, officer euthanized on South Meadow
- 16 bird stuck in fence on Parker and is injured, advice given
- 18 bears in back yard on Stagecoach
- 22 turkey hit by car, dispatch advised property owner took care of it

Livestock:

21 goat stuck in fence on Brockelman, neighbor freed it

August:

Dogs:

2 loose Pitbull on Bolton Rd caller is concerned for his small children

31 complaint kennel on Paine

Cats:

14 owner of a cat on Main Street killed by car she wanted to know her options

Wildlife:

15 dead raccoon on N Main

September:

Dog:

- 2 Dog complaint kennel on Paine officer found no barking minutes until a pedestrian passed by
- 4 Fire Rd 12 dog off leash often
- 11 71 Cleverly Cove reported her mini Dauchund ran away

Cat:

5 Dead kitten High St Ext and Paine

Court:

Zarella is under advisement of the judge Unlicensed dog

VCA bill

Quarantine:

Cat wound of unknown origin Mill St Ext

Unpaid violations:

Nims and Bazydlo