Animal Control Commission Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2017

I. Call to order

Maribeth called to order the regular meeting of the Animal Control Commission at 6:37 PM on July 17, 2017 at Thayer Memorial Library, Trustees' Room

II. Members/Attendees Present

The following members were present: Phil Eugene, Maribeth Eugene, Phyllis Tower, Mary de Alderete, Joyce Moody, Bob Foney. Adrienne Gadoa joined the meeting at 6:46 PM

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

The minutes from May 8, 2017 were approved.

IV. Discussion of Time of Future Meetings

A discussion on whether to move the meeting to the first Monday or to an earlier time occurred. It was decided that for the present, it will remain "as-is" until the October meeting, at which time the discussion may arise again.

V. Dogs:

Small loose dog on Prescott, no further calls.

Log stated loose dog on Lunenburg Rd officer returned to owner on Fire Rd 12. I was not notified Dog shot on Fitch Rd in its own yard. Cruelty Officer notified, investigation underway. Lost brown lab from Brockelman. Unknown status.

5/19 Log stated white Shepherd at Manny's Farm allowing to stay the night. PT not notified Small dog found on South Meadow. Returned to owner.

5/20 Log stated white dog/wolf on Main near Shchumaker officer didn't find. PT not notified 5/20 white Shepherd/Husky mix picked up on Main. Held for 7 days, then surrendered to AHIMSA Log stated dog tied to tree on Sterling St barking. Officer had owner bring it in. PT not notified Dog in road on Bolton Station Rd. Owner notified.

Loose white possibly golden retriever Fire Rd 11, unknown status.

Loose small brown dog George Hill/Langen. Multiple calls, returned to owner.

Lost Brittany Spaniel Heritage Ln. Returned to owner.

Found Pug mix on Deershorn took home to West Boylston later reunited with owner

Lost dog from Blue Heron later returned

Husky ran away from Schumacher, unknown status.

Neglect of animals on Mill St. Odor from second floor could be smelled from the first floor. PT Spoke to owner with Officers. Went back for second visit, all was in order.

Dog lost from Mill St later found

Dog lost from Lunenburg, Beagle mix, unknown status.

Neighbors dog is out loose on Whitcomb Dr

Barking dog complaint on Parker Numerous dog sightings for a dog lost on Goss Ln reunited by end of day (from above) Loose dog Michaels Bridge Diner Parking Lot. Notified owner on Crescent St. Returned to owner. Pit Bull dropped off at PD, went to pick up and was advised by Det. Moody he returned it home to Neck. Dog has gotten out multiple times. Lost dog from Spec Pond. Returned to owner. Lost dog from Leominster Dog found on Old Union owner on Spec Pond picked it up. Also above. Log stated barking dog on Whitcomb officer found nothing. PT not notified Found dog George Hill/Goss. Later returned to owner on Goss Ln. Dog off its property attacking neighbor's lawn mower, neighbors returned to owner. Loose dog complaint on Holiday Ln uncontrolled and chasing cars, 2 Springer Spaniels Loose black and white dog Mill St and High St Ext "Gordon" Found white lab on Cleverly Cove later returned to owner on Hunter Ln Neck Rd found a Pit Bull. Advised of where the owner lived and he will knock on door. Found dog on Old Union Turnpike, later returned to owner on Cleverly Cove Loose Rotty mix loose 2 days on White Pond, no further calls 7/16 Lost dog from Neck road – out on tracks. Chased rabbit, unknown status Found on Magnolia – used Facebook and rabies tag to locate owner in another Town.

Discussion of Past Due Dog Licenses: PT will start Court Summons

Cats:

Cat on porch on Cole Farm Rd advice given.

Cat advice N Main for a recently adopted skittish cat now stuck under the floorboards, no further calls. Concern for cats at the Volunteer Humane Society; only open on Sundays, PT will follow-up

Dead cat Mill St Ext met with reporting party and it had been picked up

Found cat on Neck advice given, advised not to feed.

Indoor cat on Woodland Meadows popped screen, advised to leave litter, sleeping material, and unwashed clothing outside.

Wildlife:

Dead coyote on the beach Water dept on Bolton station has a dead dog or coyote on their property and want it checked Baby raccoon under bush on Old Hickory. Advised to call back if it was there in the morning Injured bird on Packard finder wants advice. Will be taking to Tufts Dead beaver on Sterling Rd Injured bat Sterling Rd, son had boxed with gloves, taking to VCA Dead kitten Neck at Centerbridge, was a coyote pup Skunk question on Neck Rd Log stated black bear Lunenburg Rd Baby woodchuck on Bennett Ln Log stated bear North Shirley Rd. PT not notified Log stated bear on Sterling Rd. PT not notified Log stated bear on Sylvan heading toward the campgrounds then seen on Goss Ln. PT not notified Log stated bear on Bolton Rd. PT not notified Log stated bear on George Hill. PT not notified Log stated bear on Harvard Rd. PT not notified Snake in basement on Mill St Ext Injured hawk on Narrow to Tufts died of rat poison Four birds found in a construction vehicle that was dropped off on Neck. Finder brought to rehabber Sick looking coyote on Parker earlier in the day when caller returned he reported it was deceased

Livestock:

Dogs from Harvard and Shasta attacked chickens on Sevenbridge, Officer found dogs, they are licensed. Dog killed all the meat birds on Connor Ln. PT went out with 2 Officers, situation ongoing Loose goat by Bartlett Pond

Quarantines:

- -10 day dog bite to UPS driver on Main St
- -10 day dog bite to person on Sterling Rd
- -10 day dog bite to child on Shirley Rd

VII. <u>Next Meeting Date, September 11th, 6:30 PM, Library Trustees' Room.</u> As meeting was late in July due to schedules, there will not be an August meeting.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM