

Animal Control Commission Meeting Minutes

June 3, 2019

I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:04.

II. Members/Attendees Present

The following members were present: Phil Eugene, Maribeth Eugene, Phyllis Tower, Joyce Moody, Bob Foney and Adrienne Gadoua.

Guest: Dot McCandless

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting

06/03/2019 minutes were approved.

IV. Unlicensed Dogs List

124 dogs on list. Letters have gone out. Lancaster has over 100 dogs.

We have a new system for dog tracking. Phyllis is checking if she can log in also to check a dog's status.

Robyn Van Veleck has 5 dogs and needs a kennel license. Phyllis will check.

V. Dog Complaints

Hartig dog on Ivy St. Dog needs to be confined: fenced in or in the house (not garage). It is on a 10-day quarantine because of the dog bites. Has also bitten people in the house.

Bull Hill Rd: dog is owned by customer visiting his horse at the stables. Stable owner told the dog owner the dog needs to be confined.

Briggs dog was on a leash but is protective so Briggs was told the dog can't be introduced to other people. Woman who was bit did not lodge a complaint but it was reported by Clinton Hospital.

Hilltop Rd: Dog was killed by a car and owner is moving.

V. Animal Control Officer's Report

DOGS

No issues.

CATS

A stray cat is stalking song birds so Phyllis has called Carmah to trap it.

WILDLIFE

Bat with rabies was in a house. Owner needs to be tested.

VII. Next Meeting

Meeting will now be August 5, 2019 at 6PM, at the Thayer Library

Motion to adjourn meeting was made and seconded at 7:03 PM.

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Dogs

April:

- 2 dog owner reports her dog was struck on South Meadow – driver didn't stop
- 10 Golden Retriever in yard on Fitch Rd, resident wished to walk dog home
- 10 Ivy Dr resident looking for follow up from a previous dog bite/complaint
- 11 children from Fire Rd 11 were chased by the neighbors dogs, followed up with owner
- 13 Highfield Dr resident's dog was attacked by a leaser's dog from Thayer Stables
- 15 found dog at rotary brought home to Ashby, dog ultimately returned to owner on George Hill
- 15 11:08 pm orangish dog Sterling/Sawyer
- 16 found small dog Cleverly Cove (dog from rotary yesterday afternoon)
- 19 Ivy Dr resident looking to pass on information about biting dog
- 20 found dog on N main – returned to owner from N Main
- 20 large dog on steps of a Nicholas Drive resident – called owner who was just getting home
- 22 loose black Rottweiler on Mill St Ext
- 22 large cream colored loose dog in Nicholas Dr neighborhood all weekend
- 23 near Harper's farm loose Bichon type dog
- 23 older dog brought to DPW (water Dept) dog owner had picked upon arrival
- 23 Doberman found on George Hill – owner from Langen called looking for her
- 24 orangish dog Harvard /Burbank
- 25 GS on Sterling St was on property but off leash
- 25 dog struck by car Cumberland Farms on Main, upon arrival owner from Carter arrived
- 28 loose Pitbull chased Vincent Ave resident and his dog believed to belong on Spec Pond
- 30 barking complaint Shirley Rd

May:

- 14 missing Pomeranian from Fort Pond Rd, found following day
- 16 Winslow St resident asking if neighbors dog comes in yard is she responsible for her dogs actions
- 16 7:41 pm Clinton resident thinks I'm holding her dog I am not I reached out to Clinton ACO
- 22 found dog Main/Sterling returned to Main
- 23 loose brn lab Mill/Sterling
- 23 Sterling golden lab running around in residents yard
- 25 Clinton reports possible dog hit by car Deershorn/Chase Hill, was a snapping turtle
- 31 Sterling Rd found dog returned to Mill St
- 31 loose German Shepherd on Brockelman running toward Main

June:

- 2 blk/wh small breed recently groomed picked up 97 Sterling St belonged at 10 Silver

Cats

April:

none

May:

- 4 deceased cat in front of Worker's Credit Union, not found
- 19 stray cat on Old County stocks song birds may be hurt Carmah to do the trapping
- 21 S Lancaster indoor black cat is missing

June:
none

Wildlife

April:

- 7 report of rabid fox N Main officers didn't locate
fox returned to nearby residence, was put down by officer, disposed of by ACO
- 14 officers called to Langen Rd for a stressed animal in a tree- upon arrival turkey walked out of the yard
- 23 bear sighting Shirley Rd/Rt2/Fort Pond
- 24 injured woodchuck High/Mill – upon officers arrival stated was deceased and I was not needed

May:

- 25 Carleton Pl injured flying squirrel
- 25 sick fox on Moffett Officer did not locate
- 29 Grant Way bat in the house tested positive for rabies

June:
none

Livestock:

April:

- 7 report of bull in roadway on Sterling St – contacted owner of Davis Farmland

May:

- 16 High Street extension questions about keeping roosters
- 18 Sterling Rd 50,000 bees about a 3' ball have left a hive
- 24 Moffett rooster complaint crowing as early as 3 AM
- 27 Harvard Rd large amount of bees

June:
none

Quarantines:

- 4/10 10 day dog to person Ivy
- 4/23 10 day dog to person Whitcomb
- 4/26 10 day dog to person Mill

Complaints filed with the Town Clerk:

- 4/10 61 Ivy dog will be kept in house or chain link backyard until new home is found
- 4/16 250 Bull Hill viscous dog off property dog was an employees and will be kept secure
- 4/23 142 Hill Top dog loose on Nicholas Drive