Milford Animal Commission Minutes February 10, 2016

Members Present

M. Blake

S. Nierenberg

C. Harla

E. Leuchtner

C. Aronson, Orange Liaison

BTO 12:05

Also Present
S. Ellingson, Director

Lt. S. Moore, PD

A motion to accept the minutes, as presented, was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner, motion carried.

Wardens Report: Scott reported that the shelter had 3 Pit-Bulls available for adoption. They also have A Doberman and Pit-bull in quarantine and a Bishon mix for safe keeping, the owner is incarcerated.

A motion to accept the Wardens Report was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner, motion carried.

Department Report: Scott is working with Peter and the Mayor as to how they are going to go about paying the Vet bills for the cats confiscated from the High St. case. They were discussing using the money that Orange Pays the city, to pay the Vet for the Hoarding cases. Eisenhower Park is a big issue again, people are bringing their dogs to the park and letting them off leash. They go into the woods and on the horse trails scaring the horses, the horse owners are concerned because this can be a very dangerous situation. He reported that they have been getting quite a few calls on Coyotes, people are afraid for their small dogs and cats, they are referred to the DEP.

Commission Report: Chairman Blake shared the "Pet Of the Week" picture that was in the bulletin. Scott said that she was adopted shortly after that picture was taken. Marilyn asked what can be done about dogs on the boardwalk. Scott said there are signs prohibiting dogs on the boardwalk but someone keeps covering them with red tape. Chairman Blake stated that she received a call inquiring why the shelter is not on face book, she said most other shelters have a face book page. Scott said he and Shawn will talk it over and check with MIS to see if its feasible.

There was a discussion about Diane Ricardo, a rescuer, who managed to find homes for all of the cats confiscated in a hoarding case. The commission wanted to do something for her to show their appreciation. Several suggestions were discussed. A motion was made by Commissioner Nierenberg to purchase a \$75.00 gift card from Stop and Shop and pay for it out of the donation account, the motion was seconded by Commissioner Harla, motion carried.

Correspondence: There were no donations this month and no other correspondence.

Old Business:

License Survey: on going, weather permitting.

Volunteer update: slow as is usual in the winter months.

New Vehicle: Scott investigated and put together all of the information that the Chief of Police requested and the Chief approved and sent the info on to the Mayor. The Mayor now wants Scott to find other options. He also asked Scott to check with other towns and see what kind of vehicles they are using.

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner. Meeting adjourned at 1304 hours.

Respectfully submitted, Pat Liptak