# Milford Animal Commission Minutes December 13, 2017

**Members Present** 

M. BlakeS. Nierenberg

K. Dorney

Also Present
Scott Ellingson
C. Aronson, Orange
Liaison

#### Members Absent

S. Stanek

Lt. S. Moore, P.D.

C. Harla

Meeting called to order at 12:15 pm.

A motion to accept the warden's report was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and was seconded by Commissioner Dorney . Motion carried.

A motion to accept the November minutes was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and was seconded by Commissioner Dorney.

#### Department Report

- 1. Officer Ellingson reported no shelter animals on Pet Finders this week.
- 2. We will have 4 dogs available next week for adoption.
- 3. 4 kittens unavailable until healthy.
- 4. Officer Ellingson reported that there are 3 dogs in safekeeping.
- 5. Officer Ellingson put in the work order for the pooper scooper dispensers to be installed at the dog park. Officer Ellingson reported that a meeting will be held on January 3, 2018 regarding improvement to the Eisenhower dog park. Also invited to the meeting were Commissioner Stanek and Commissioner Harla.
- 6. Officer Ellingson clarified that we are a LOW kill shelter, not a NO kill shelter. The reason being is that we euthanize unadoptable dogs that are very old, sick, or vicious.

#### **Old Business**

- 1. Volunteer update Shelter is slower in winter.
- 2. The dishwasher was ordered, waiting for delivery.

Donations to shelter - \$322.10

#### **New Business**

1. Officer Ellingson and the Commission shared ideas regarding the improvements to the dog park.

- a. Plant shade trees.
- b. Enclose off a portion inside the fencing for small dogs.
- c. Repair the fence.
- d. Add a water source.
- e. Put paving stones by entrance to reduce mud.
- f. Signs on fencing stating rules for owners.
- g. A sign be put on West River Street at the entrance to the park to make it easier for people to find the park.

## **Commissioner Report**

Commissioner Blake asked about the status of the memorial bench for Paige Liptak. The monies were allocated and waiting on the plaque. The bench will be installed by Brody's Place at Eisenhower Park.

### Correspondence

The office staff is sending out the thank you notes.

Commissioner Dorney made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Nierenberg. Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Shelley Steeves