### Milford Animal Commission Meeting April 13, 2022

#### **Attendees:**

Scott Ellingson (Head Animal Control Officer)
Sara Nierenberg (Commission Chair)
Colby Collier (Commissioner)
Cherie Aronson (Commissioner)
Karen Dorney (Commissioner)
Cathy Kamen (Commissioner)
Sue Stanek (Commission Vice Chair) via phone

Meeting called to order at noon.

Minutes of the March 9, 2022 meeting and March 20, 2022 special meeting were approved by Karen and seconded by Cathy. Going forward secretary will identify all meeting attendees by title.

State of Connecticut wants the Municipal Animal Control Officers Report done online but other parties need a hard copy.

Booker was adopted last Saturday.

Warden's Report was approved by Karen and seconded by Cathy.

Sonitrol has our alarm system back and running.

It is now kitten season. Black mom cat is very sweet and her kittens will get their kitten shots and start socialization.

Animal Commission sent flowers to Marilyn Blake's funeral.

Marilyn Blake set up a procedure to have Commission send personal thank you notes for contributions. Karen would like to reinstate this. Scott mentioned that Human Resources is not comfortable giving out names and addresses of contributors. Scott will bring sample letters to next month's meeting. Colby suggested we put a personal note in with the typed letters sent by Animal Control.

Sara did not realize that Animal Control has to mow the grass rather than Public Works. Current mower is not working well but mayor will only pay for a push mower rather than a riding one. We will wait until July 1 which is the new fiscal year to get new push mower. We will also get a new weed wacker.

Animal Control is not able to board feral cats before/after getting medical attention. Snowflake does not have a full-time vet so we will use Commission money for these boarding expenses. Maximum is \$300 per cat per lifetime and boarding is up to two nights only. Karen made motion to include boarding expenses with wellness program, and it was seconded by Cathy. Motion passed unanimously.

Jennifer Baker has a kennel and is meeting with Scott at 2:00 today to look at Bat Dog and Brownie. She specializes in tougher dogs. ACO's are taking dogs out for exercise. Sue has Mondays off and she volunteered to exercise these dogs. Scott suggested we wait until after Jennifer's visit today.

Meeting adjourned at 1:12 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Anna Accetta

# Animal Commission Agenda May 11, 2022 at noon

### at

## Parsons Building, Conference Room C 70 West River Street Milford, CT 06460

Roll Call
Public Comments
Minutes
Warden's Report
Department Report
Commission Report
Correspondence
New Business
Old Business