

Milford Animal Commission Minutes  
September 20, 2017

Members Present

M. Blake  
K. Dorney  
C. Harla  
S. Stanek

Also Present

S. Ellingson, Director  
Lt. S. Moore, P.D.  
C. Aronson, Orange  
Liaison

Members Absent

S. Nierienberg

Meeting Called to order at 12:00 pm.

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

Department Report

1. Officer Ellingson will be placing dogs on Pet Finders this week.
2. Kitten season very slow this summer. Shelter has one cat at Snowflake Pet Center that had to have a C-Section due to having only one large size kitten. Will be brought to shelter after the mother cat has healed.
3. Shared a card and picture of "Daisy" one of our success stories. Daisy had major eye issues.
4. Officer Ellingson and Officer Connors will be attending an ACO conference September 21, 2017.
5. Officer Ruby will attend a training conference in October regarding the care of small animals.
6. Officer Ellingson explained about Desmond's Law which appoints an advocate to protect an animal's rights in abuse cases.
7. Officer Ellingson explained the shelter's procedure and handling of emergency situations regarding owners and their pets.

Old Business

1. Volunteer update – none.
2. Oyster Festival – After the initial investment of \$96.79 for the purchase of a table, two chairs, a tent and sandbags and a tri-board a profit of \$125.46 was made.

Donations to shelter - \$525.00.

New Business

1. Officer Ellingson asked for the commission's opinion on accepting displaced animals from the south if needed. Commission unanimously agreed to help as needed.
2. Commissioner Dorney introduced ideas of helping to educate the public and raise funds in different venues.

3. Commissioner Stanek motioned to have the initial investment from the Oyster Festival refunded to Commissioner Dorney, who purchased the needed items. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Harla. Motion carried.
4. Commission will table the discussion of attending the Oyster Festival next year.
5. Holly Allen, owner of Shoreline Grooming, is selling bandanas and coats made by Commissioner Dorney with profits being donated to the shelter.
6. Officer Ellingson reported that the "Heat Kills" campaign has not been a success. Commission is considering lowering the cost of the stickers.
7. Commissioner Blake would like the shelter to do "Pictures with Santa" this year. This event was always very successful. If Rick George is not available, they will look into finding another person. A raffle is offered at this event.

#### Commissioner Report

Pat Liptak resigned as recording secretary. Shelley Steeves will now be recording minutes.

#### Correspondence

Commissioner Dorney is keeping up with special thank you notes, and Jane sends notes to all that donate.

Commissioner Dorney made a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Commissioner Stanek.

Meeting adjourned at 1:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Shelley Steeves