Milford Animal Commission Meeting October 11, 2022

Attendees:

Scott Ellingson (Animal Control)
Sara Nierenberg (Commissioner)
Cherie Aronson (Commissioner)
Karen Dorney (Commissioner)
Cathy Kamen (Commissioner)
Sue Stanek (Commissioner)
Colby Collier (Commissioner)
Dave Chilla (Police Department)

Meeting called to order at 5:15 pm.

Minutes of the September 14, 2022 meeting Sue and seconded by Cathy.

Scott reported that the Stratford shelter gave us one dog for safekeeping and they will take her back when Parvo at the Stratford shelter is gone.

Dave said that one of our shelter dogs is very strong and a fireman comes to walk him during his lunch time. He's about 4-5 years old. Sue volunteered to walk him in the pen.

Scott said that there are problems at the dog park as people are bringing is unfixed dogs. They are going there after 5:00 p.m. as they know that Animal Control closes at 5:00 p.m. To have an ACO go the dog park on Sunday would need the mayor's approval as it would be overtime. Dave said he would try to do a drive by if they have the chance. Karen Zito is complaining to the mayor and asking that a sign is posted.

Karen Dorney reminded the commission that we were going to have benches at the dog park for Marilyn and Ed. Dave asked who maintains the dog park and commission said it is Parks & Recreation but Public Works would install the benches. Cathy will go directly to Chris, Director of Parks & Recreation) about the benches.

Scott gave a copy of the Animal Commission rules. They have been revised and are in depth.

Cathy read a Facebook post about a person who called Animal Control about a kitten found under a bush. The caller was told that Animal Control does not go out to catch cats or kittens as they may be feral.

Scott reported that VCA Baybrook will be doing a fundraising drive for Animal Control.

Donations for September are \$45.

Justin in the mayor's office told Karen that the gazebo will be taken down soon. Karen had two of the remaining four cats taken to dog training facility in Bethany. Now there are only two remaining cats at the gazebo.

Meeting adjourned at 6:26 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Anna Accetta