

# TOWN OF BRANFORD

## DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

May 16, 2017

**Present:** Commission Members: Marilyn Valette, Gretchen Dale, Eunice Lasala, Stephanie Malkin, Mary Mellows, Melodie O'Connor

**Absent:** Ann Burke

**Guest:** Laura Burban DCAS Director

The Meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Marilyn Valette

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**MINUTES FROM THE LAST MONTHLY MEETING:** Melodie O'Connor made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Eunice LaSala seconded the motion. The Minutes were unanimously approved

**Monthly Shelter Financial Reports:** Were reviewed. Melodie O'Connor made a motion to approve the reports. Mary Mellows seconded the motion. The reports were unanimously approved.

**WOOFSTOCK-** Planning meetings are in progress. All Sponsorships are sold. Bands are committed. The committee is still trying to get more vendors to sign. The website and FB page are done and ready to go featuring the sponsors. Blue Buffalo is the title Sponsor

### **FUTURE FUNDRAISERS**

1. **CHARMING CHARLIES-** Melodie O'Connor has spoken with the ass't manager and is filling out the necessary forms
2. **ANTIQUUE ROAD SHOW-** June for \$5.00 and written appraisals for \$35.00. There will be licensed appraisers doing these.
3. **RABIES CLINIC-** June 24<sup>th</sup> 10 AM- Noon on the Branford Green. Licensing and nail clipping will also be offered
4. **PREMIER JEWELRY DESIGN-** Marilyn met this woman and got the information. We will continue to investigate this as a possible fundraiser,
5. **GAY BINGO-** September 16, 2017 at the Annex Club in East Haven Anne

### **Shelter Future Goals Review**

Brochures for the Shelter- Laura has approved the three brochures which include: spay neuter, senior pets and animal education. They are ready for the printer. These are to be used at the shelter and at all events to provide education on all of these subjects for adopters and potential adopters.

New Ideas were talked about including

Succession Planning- still need to set up how to be for our events so that each year no matter who is working on the event they have all the information from the year before.

Clean-up and replanting of the Shelter- Michelle Winniger has had Lilac bushes planted along the drive into the shelter. Laura requested that we need to replace the weeping cherry tree and plaque in memory of Dave Burke. The commission all agreed to Laura to proceed with both of these.

**ANIMAL CAMP**-Laura has gotten a \$1,000 grant for Animal Camp scholarships. She needs \$3,000 to accept the 10 requests for these scholarships so Laura will put a post on Facebook to try to raise the remainder. The Committee voted to sponsor one of the scholarships.

**UPDATE ON HOPE**- Hope is doing extremely well. She is now 71 lbs. the Staff is now working with her to meet and trust people as she is quite reticent in big groups. They are now working on applications for her adoption.

Melodie O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mary Mellows seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Gretchen Dale

Secretary

DCAS Commission