TOWN OF BRANFORD

DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

February 15, 2022

<u>Present:</u> Commission Members: Marilyn Vailette, Stephanie Malkin, Laurie VanWilgen, Eunice Lasala, Melodie O'Connor

Absent: Gretchen Dale, Eric Maass

Guest: Laura Burban, DCAS Director, Wayne Cooke

The Meeting was called to order at 6:03 by Marilyn Vailette

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MONTHLY MEETING: Melodie O'Connor made a motion to approve the Minutes from the last meeting. Laurie VanWilgen seconded the motion. The Minutes were unanimously approved. Stephanie Malkin made a motion to approve the Treasurer reports from the last meeting. Melodie O'Connor seconded the motion. The reports were unanimously approved.

SHELTER PROJECT: Laura Burban provided an update on the shelter project. The PBC Committee will be conducting a walk-through of the new building on 2/16/22. Construction is reportedly on time and it is estimated the project will be complete in August of 2022.

<u>Public Statement:</u> Wayne Cooke reported that he continues to take issue with 2 aspects of the shelter poject- the hiring of the Capital Campaign Consultant and the solar panels. He reported that he will be creating websites to make information regarding his concerns available to the public.

SHELTER HAPPENINGS: A request has been made to increase a part-time ACO position to a full-time ACO position (Dawn.)

<u>UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS:</u> Puppy Love Fundraiser will take place at Lenny's Restaurant on March 30th from 6-9. The Volunteer of The Year will be announced at that time. The "Hearts Fundraiser" at Stony Creek Brewery earned approximately \$230. Laura Burban reported that due to the shelter project, there will be no Woofstock this year.

Marilyn Vailette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Melodie O'Connor seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Malkin

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