

TOWN OF BRANFORD
DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES
November15,2022

Present: Marilyn Vailette, Gretchen Dale, Stephanie Malkin, Laurie Van Wilgen, Eunice Lasala, Melodie O'Connor, Eric Maas

Guest: Laura Burban

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 PM

Minutes of the last meeting

Stephanie Malkin made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Laurie Van Wilgen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Shelter Updates

Laura Burban reported the following. We received the first shipment from Midwest of the dog kennels and cat crates that day

Spencer Lucky of Lucky Climbers who was going to do the cat gym has backed out and does not have uptime to do it. Laura is looking for another source for this.

There have been some leaks at the shelter including a pipe in the driveway area and in the conference room from the recent storm.

Shelter standards Update

Marilyn Vailette clarified to the committee what she was looking for and the requirements for the shelter procedures which she requested be short and simple

Annual Report Update

Marilyn Vailette filled in the commission on where we stand with the Annual Report. Marilyn and Lena have finished the report and passed it to Laura Burban for further information.

Update on Meeting with Jamie Cosgrove on DCAS salary structure

Marilyn updated the commission members on her and Melody O'Connor's meeting with Jamie Cosgrove and Human Resources. They met to get a better understanding of how salary structure for the shelter works so the Commission would have a better understanding of it.

Fundraisers

SUSTAINABLE CT ELECTRIC CAR FUNDRAISER

We are working on a matching grant for a new electric van for the new shelter. So far, we have 35 donors and have reached \$6400. We must have contributions from at least 100 people totaling \$15,000 to meet the requirements of securing this matching funding from Sustainable CT. Laura Burban asked all the commission members to get the word out on this.

HOME FUNDRAISER IS SCHEDULED FOR November 28th, 2022

PARTHENON DINER FUNDRAISER-WENT VERY WELL. HAD GOOD ATTEMDDANCE AND RAISED \$4510

Marilyn Valette took a vote of who would be here to attend the next scheduled DCAS Commission meeting. We will not have a quorum and therefore this meeting will be cancelled.

Melodie O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Eunice LaSala seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Dale

Secretary

Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter Commission