TOWN OF BRANFORD

DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

December 15, 2020

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

Absent: Gretchen Dale, Eunice Lasala

Guest: Laura Burban, DCAS Director, Greg Ames

The Meeting was called to order at 6:05 by Marilyn Vailette

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

SHELTER PROJECT: Laura Burban provided an overview of the next steps. Branford Senior Center as well as Guilford Animal Control will be housing the shelter animals while construction is in process. Currently there is a bid out for a Construction Manager; this process will likely be finalized within the next few weeks. Also in the next few weeks, Laura will inquire with the Wiederhold Foundation regarding the parameters of the Grant. Currently, \$867,000 has been raised towards the project with over \$30,000 in profits generated from the mailing alone.

SHELTER HAPPENINGS: Despite COVID and being closed to the public, adoptions are happening on a consistent basis by appointment only.

UPCOMING FUNDRAISERS: None

Marilyn Vailette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Melodie O'Connor seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Malkin

DCAS Commission