

Fairbanks North Star Borough
Animal Control Commission
Regular Meeting
Wednesday January 13 2016, 6:00 pm
Animal Control, 2408 Davis Road

Minutes

1. Call to Order – 6:02 PM
2. Commissioner Roll Call – Becky Fuller Gail Gardner, Ronnie Rosenberg, Scott Chesney, Jamie Marschner & Susan Parsons
3. Approval of Agenda – (Motion: Fuller, 2nd Chesney) Approved
4. Citizen’s Comments - None
5. Approval of Minutes – (Motion Fuller, 2nd Parsons) Approved
6. Shelter Report –

Staffing changes – 2 open Animal Tender positions have been filled. New Tenders are Shelby Sears and Natalie Morgan. We are interviewing for the Admissions Clerk position later this week. Sandy K had been out, but has returned this week part time. Lisa Stoffel has been acting while Sandy K has been gone. Besser has turned in her resignation that will be effective April 30th.

We are waiting on a final legal review of the agreement with UAF vet school that would offer owners an option to donate their pet’s remains to the vet school for training purposes.

The barn conversation has been reopened with the Mayor’s Office. With the last go around of having horses that were too thin to be outside which required them to be boarded elsewhere for 10 days before we brought them back for adoption. The new Mayor may be open to ideas and the Chief of Staff has requested more information.

7. Old Business
 - a. FY 17 Budget – Besser stated that they had the first budget meeting today. They were asked to submit the phase 1 budget with what was approved last year. The only increases would be for contractual items such as trash collection. The Mayor was looking at reducing complete programs rather than just making cuts.
 - b. Animal Licensing – The Chair requested that the Commission members bring edits to the next meeting.

- c. Ordinance 2015-69 Besser said was defeated at the assembly meeting in December. The presence and testimony of those who showed up had an impact in the outcome.

8. New Agenda Items

- a. Election of Officers- Fuller nominated Gail Gardner as Chair. There were no other nominations and she was unanimously elected. Rosenberg nominated Scott Chesney as Vice Chair. There were no other nominations and he was unanimously elected.
- b. Legislative bills- HP147 has been carried over from last session. No other bills have been introduced concerning animals.

9. Commissioner Comments

- a. Parsons was happy with the turnout at the Assembly Meeting.
- b. Rosenberg gave an update on the Shelter Fund & stated that it was a banner year.

10. Announcements - None

11. Adjournment – 7:29 PM