

Fairbanks North Star Borough
Animal Control Commission
Regular Meeting
Monday March 7, 2016, 6:00 pm
Animal Control, 2408 Davis Road

Minutes

1. Call to Order – 6:00 PM
2. Commissioner Roll Call – Ronnie Rosenberg, Gail Gardner, Scott Chesney, Becky Fuller, Jamie Marschner & Susan Parsons,
3. Approval of Agenda – (Chesney, 2nd Parsons) Approved
4. Citizen's Comments –

The following citizens testified regarding Loving Companions Animal Rescue: David Heck, Tamara Reed, Duwayne Koerner, Deanna Lucille Koerner, Donna Robins, Jennifer Hecimovich and Alice Orlich

Carol Falcetta testified in favor of regulating rescue groups.
5. Approval of Minutes – (Parsons, Fuller 2nd) Approved
6. Shelter Report –
 - a. Staffing - Besser stated that the Animal Tender position closed on Friday and applicant information is expected soon. ACO Lisa Stoffel has given notice that she will be leaving in May. Recruitment for that position will begin shortly. The Managers position has gone out in-house.
 - b. UAF - We will be meeting UAF Vet School staff on Thursday to coordinate the start of the donation program.
 - c. Legislative Bill- A new bill on dealing with dangerous animals has come out but there is no movement. The Boroughs legislative representative is tracking both bills.
 - d. Electronic Fencing- At the last Assembly Meeting the ordinance was passed adding electronic fences to the list of restraint methods.
 - e. Parvo Virus- There is increased awareness in the community. Recommend keeping animals vaccinated and staying away from public places where people take non vaccinated animals.
7. Old Business
 - a. FY 17 Budget – Besser will be meeting with the Mayor on Thursday to discuss the proposed budget. There have been no changes at this time.

- b. Animal Licensing – Discussed edits on draft of ordinance. This will be continued at the next meeting.
 - c. Barn – Waiting to hear from Public Works. Rosenberg stated that we are now past the March 1st deadline when many grant applications are due.
 - d. HB 147 - Rosenberg stated that the prime sponsor, Max Gruenberg has passed away. The bill remains in the House but their focus is the budget at this time.
8. New Agenda Items - None
9. Commissioner Comments
- a. Parsons is concerned with hoarding situations and would like to look at regulations for rescues and review Title 6 to see if changes can be made.
 - b. Fuller would like to discuss the citizens comments made tonight at the next meeting.
 - c. Rosenberg gave an update on the Shelter Fund. Fund raising is going well. Over \$24,000 was spent in the last 4 weeks for vet services. We are #1 for donations with “Pick Click Give” and record was set for the first quarter for United Way. Pre-Vet students would like to get involved with fund raising.
10. Announcements - None
11. Adjournment – 8:12PM