

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION

MINUTES

DECEMBER 20, 2018

A regular meeting of the Fairbanks North Star Borough Animal Control Commission was held at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 907 Terminal Street. The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by Scott Chesney, Chair.

A. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Scott Chesney, Ronnie Rosenberg, Gail Gardner, Mary Ann Fortune, Lindsey Heaney

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Link Olson, Alex Thornton, Jamie Marschner

OTHERS PRESENT: Ariel Cunningham, Christine Nelson, Michelle Gutierrez

B. MESSAGES

Citizen's Comments – None

Disclosure & Statement of Conflict of Interest – None

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda as amended made by Ms. Gardner and seconded by Ms. Fortune. Carried without objection.

D. MINUTES

Minutes from November 26, 2018. Motion to approve the minutes made by Ms. Fortune and seconded by Ms. Gardner. Carried without objection.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Shelter Report presented by Ariel Cunningham – Ariel Cunningham informed the commission the bi-annual shelter tour would be best in January. She informed the commission the Animal Control maintenance division performed a full assessment of the facility to estimate necessary repair costs but no further information on that matter yet. Ms. Cunningham reported on the budget and the need for more staff and explained the animal population is lowering.

Discussion ensued in regards to budget between staff and commissioners.

Ms. Rosenberg suggested the Animal Control staff should receive a “stop the bleed kits” for mass casualties and recommended that staff be trained on how to use them.

2. Sled Dog Housing Committee Report presented by Mary Ann Fortune – Nothing was reported.
3. ACC Resolution 2018-01

Discussion ensued between Christine Nelson and the commissioners in regards to the proposed resolution and the concerns the commission had about affidavits and young children testifying in the context of bite hearings.

MOTION: To adopt Animal Control Commission Resolution 2018-01 as amended by **Ms. Rosenberg**, seconded by **Ms. Fortune**.

ROLL CALL

5 in Favor: **Rosenberg, Fortune, Heaney, Gardner and Chesney**

0 Opposed:

MOTION PASSED

4. Accessory building – Nothing was reported.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Nominations for chair and vice-chair.

Ms. Gardner nominated Mr. Chesney for Chair which was seconded by Ms. Rosenberg. Mr. Chesney accepted the nomination and hearing no other nominations and without objection, Mr. Chesney was appointed Chair for 2019.

Ms. Rosenberg nominated Ms. Gardner for Vice Chair which was seconded by Ms. Heaney. Ms. Gardner accepted the nomination and hearing no other nominations and without objection, Ms. Gardner was appointed Vice Chair for 2019.

G. EXCUSE FUTURE ABSENCES

Ms. Rosenberg mentioned herself and Ms. Gardner may miss the February 19, 2019 meeting; it is the same night as the Golden Heart Community Foundation but will know for certain in January.

H. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Chairperson's Comments – Reminded the commission of the next meeting agenda due date.

Chair Chesney reminded the commission if it's -30 degrees outside, a meeting will be canceled.

Commissioner's Comments – Ms. Rosenberg suggested the following standing agenda items:

- FNSB Budget Updates.
- Legislative Updates from Juneau.

Ms. Rosenberg reported the shelter fund had pet photos with Santa which raised a little over \$2000 and reported on the end of the year giving status as well as the new website that is up and running. The next event will be on January 9, 2019, as a charity a discounted meal will be offered as well as a donation jar will be located at Hari Om Indian Cuisine Restaurant and Smokin' Ace Kennel, Matt Hall is donating a mushing tour for four which will be a door prize. Ms. Rosenberg also stated hamsters need to be placed. She updated on the rabbit count at the shelter and the next big public education push will be on hamster breeding.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:37 p.m.