

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION

**MINUTES
APRIL 15, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Fairbanks North Star Borough Animal Control Commission was held in the Mona Lisa Drexler Assembly Chambers, Juanita Helms Administration Center, 907 Terminal Street, Fairbanks, Alaska. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Scott Chesney, Chair.

A. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT: Ronnie Rosenberg Mary Fortune
 Alex Thornton Lindsey Heaney
 Gail Gardner Scott Chesney

MEMBERS ABSENT & EXCUSED: Link Olson, Jamie Marschner

OTHERS PRESENT: Sharon Wittenkeller, Clerk

B. MESSAGES

Citizen's Comments – None.

Disclosure & Statement of Conflict of Interest – None.

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: To approve the agenda made by **Commissioner Thornton** and seconded by **Commissioner Rosenberg**.

PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION OR ROLL CALL VOTE.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes from March 19, 2019.

Motion: To approve the minutes with correction of the spelling of Commissioner Marschner's last name made by **Commissioner Rosenberg** and seconded by **Commissioner Heaney**.

PASSED WITHOUT OBJECTION OR ROLL CALL VOTE.

E. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Shelter Report presented by Sandy Hill

Interview recommendations for the casual position have been sent to HR. Updated on staff attendance and availability. The budget was presented to the Assembly and moved to be approved, final processes should be completed in the middle of May. No big changes to animal population. Upcoming trainings; Officer Ross will attend the Module B of the NACHO (National Animal Control and Humane Officer Training Academy) training in June, and three officers will attend the Alaska Animal Control Association meeting May 9th-10th.

2. Commercial sale of exotic animals

Commissioner Thornton handed out documents with information in regards to regulations of commercial sales of exotic animals, and reported on the information he researched. Discussion ensued among Commissioners. It was decided **Commissioner Thornton**, would draft a letter to Petco on a commercial level in regards to the concerns of exotic animals sales in the FNSB area for review by the Commission at the next meeting.

3. Budget

Sandy Hill reported they presented a flat budget to the Assembly. It was motioned to be accepted at this stage.

4. Legislative bills or activity of interest – None.

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Licensing

The commission agreed to review and submit the 2016 draft of a licensing ordinance to legal for review.

2. Ft. Wainwright deployment and increasing relinquishment

Commissioner Rosenberg has reached out to Janice Westland with USO on base, and Angela Major, an Assembly member. **Commissioner Rosenberg** reported most of the military personnel that will be deploying are mainly housed in the barracks and would not have pets. **Commissioner Rosenberg** is working to find out who she can work with on base and the number of possible animal relinquishments, and looking to start work on a handout of for people on the base for resources available to them for relocating their pets with them when they move.

G. EXCUSE FUTURE ABSENCES

May 20 – None.

H. COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

Commissioners' Comments

Commissioner Rosenberg, stated the shelter fund is number for the interior with Pick. Click.Give. with 482 people who pledged, for a total of \$30, 075. Walk for Charity is coming up on Friday, May 10th, the shelter fund is one of the charities, register online at explorefairbanks/charitywalk. Round up at the registered at the food co-op just wrapped up, numbers are not available. Clean Up Day is Saturday, May 11th at 9:00 a.m. at the Fred Meyer West parking lot, they will be cleaning up their adopted highway. Saturday, June 8th, there will be a pizza, pints, and pups event at Hoodoo Brewery. Since March, the shelter fund has spent over \$27,000 in veterinary bills. Commissioner Rosenberg is looking for someone to work with an artist who has donated her time to do a paint night for fund raising efforts. Tax draft is done and will be filed mid may. The web site, network for good, and the endowment are doing well. They are in the market for a new space for the garage sale in September, GVC has been sold.

Commissioner Chesney, stated the Yukon Quest board elections are coming up, they are always looking for candidates.

I. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.