

**THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE FOR ANIMAL WELFARE
MINUTES**

**COMMITTEE ROOM 304
CITY HALL**

1:00 P.M.

APRIL 25, 2019

1:06 p.m. The meeting convened.

ATTENDANCE

Members

J. Spencer, Chair, Dog Owners Association
Councillor Joan Rymal
G. Gratton, Animal Aide
C. Burns, Another Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation
L. Jackson, All Breed Canine Rescue

Officials

J. Hindley, Corporate Customer
Service Assistant

Others

Deb Harris
Anne Vanderkuyl
Kathy Knott
Christine Harris

Absent

K. Peters, Pets Friends for Life

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

CHAIR

Motion by Councillor Rymal – G. Gratton:

THAT: Joe Spencer be appointed as Chair for the remainder of the term of Council.

Carried.

MINUTES

The members confirmed the minutes of March 21, 2019 as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

Group Updates - Appendix “A”

Ms. Burns provided handouts regarding wildlife which had been taken in by Another Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation in 2018 and 2019 to date.

March 2019 Shelter Statistics - Appendix “B”

The members discussed the statistics at the Animal Shelter for March, 2019.

The Chair advised that he would contact the Supervisor, Roads and Transportation relating to the difference in dogs in and dogs out and a concern that out of town animal groups were taking animals out before local groups had the opportunity.

Service Animals Update to Animal Control By-law 71-2011

Councillor Rymal advised that a report had gone to Council recently to update the Animal Control By-law to contain information relating to service animals.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Draft Terms of Reference

The Chair advised that he had spoken with Pets Friends for Life and that they do not have sufficient volunteers to attend the Animal Welfare Committee meetings.

Motion by C. Burns – Councillor Rymal:

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIRMAN

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THAT: The Select Committee for Animal Welfare approves the revised draft Terms of Reference and directs the Chair to prepare a report to Council.

Carried.

Animal Shelter Renovation

Councillor Rymal advised that Council had passed a resolution to defer Animal Shelter renovations and ask staff to prepare a report regarding the building of a new Animal Shelter.

The members discussed any potential for them to be involved with the new Animal Shelter process, should it proceed.

Facebook Page

The Chair advised that the Supervisor, Roads and Transportation would be reviewing the establishment of a Facebook page with the City Manager's office.

CORRESPONDENCE

Alternate Model for the Selection and Representation of Membership to the Select Committee for Animal Welfare

The members were in receipt of correspondence from Deb Harris, Anny Vanderkuyl and Shelley Aitken requesting an alternate model for the selection and representation of membership to the Select Committee for Animal Welfare.

The members discussed the fact that membership on the Committee is separate from the City funding model for the participating animal welfare groups.

The members discussed the fact that under the draft terms of reference, if approved by Council, there would be two members of the community at large.

The members discussed the fact that typically the location of participant animal welfare groups and members of the Committee are within the City.

Ms. Deb Harris provided an overview of the London Animal Welfare Advisory Committee and its structure, where members must re-apply every four years, alongside new members.

NEXT MEETING

May 23, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Committee Room #304.

ADJOURNMENT

2:10 p.m. The meeting adjourned.

2018 Another Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation

Animals and Location They Came From

175 London
 160 St. Thomas
 82 Elgin County
 58 Other Counties
1 Unknown Locale
 476 Received

Total Animals and Outcome

| Elgin County | Other Counties | 258 R-Released | 142 D-Died | 51 E-Euthanized |
|-----------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| | | 22 T-Transferred | 3 SC-Still in care | |
| 27 Port Stanley | 22 Middlesex | 98 Raccoons | 73R 11D 13E 1SC | 8 distemper (3 St. Thomas) |
| 8 Fingal | 12 Oxford | 48 Skunks | 37 R 3D 2E 6T | 0 suspected distemper |
| 7 Rodney | 7 Chatham-Kent | 136 Rabbits | 48 R 71 D 17 E | |
| 6 Dutton | 7 Perth | 92 Squirrels | 64 R 18 D 8 E 2 SC | |
| 6 Springfield | 5 Lambton | 47 Opossums | 21 R 24 D 1 E 1 T | |
| 5 Aylmer | 3 Huron | 5 Fawns | 3 R | 2 T |
| 5 Talbotville | 2 Norfolk | 12 Chipmunks | 1 R 7 D 4 E | |
| 4 Belmont | | 3 Groundhogs | 2 R 1 E | |
| 3 Central Elgin | | 1 Red Fox | 1 R | |
| 3 Sparta | | 2 Weasels | 1 R 1 D | |
| 3 West Lorne | | 3 Mice | 2 D 1 E | |
| 2 Wallacetown | | 5 Bats | 2 D 3 T | |
| 1 Iona | | 3 Raptors (hawk/owl) | 2 D 1 T | |
| 1 Pt. Bruce | | 18 Birds | 7 R 1 D 4 E 6 T | |
| 1 Sheddon | | 3 Turtles | | 3 T |
| 82 | 58 | | | |

6 animals came directly from St. Thomas Animal Control.

Indirectly we received animals from people told by Animal Control to contact us. We did not separate or keep track of these. We are now.

Also indirectly we received animals from people told by St. Thomas Police, St. Thomas Fire Department and OPP to contact us. We did not separate or keep track of these. We are now.

Revision prepared and submitted by:
 Colleen Burns
 Another Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation

March 22, 2019

**Calls from Animal Control, St. Thomas Police, Fire Dept & Elgin OPP
2019**

| Date | Department | Animal & Circumstances | Outcome |
|-------------|-----------------------------|--|--|
| Jan 27 | AC | Goose call X2. Wing & tail injuries. Went out twice | |
| Feb | AC | Peregrine Falcon stuck in a balcony. Carol & AC attended | Falcon got out on its own |
| Jan 14 | St. Thomas Police/AC | Deer-received public call it had a broken leg I attended scene. Police & AC arrived. | Police shot it |
| Feb 7 | OPP Malahide | Raccoon-Aylmer- home owner concerned it was ill or injured. OPP responded | Left it alone |
| Feb 19 | St. Thomas Police | Deer-(military museum) limping Carol & I attended scene | Couldn't find deer |
| Feb 27 | Fire | Deer fell thru ice in pond. Fire Fighters wanted to rescue. Carol went to Fire Stn to advise | Died on its own |
| Mar 24 | Citizen called Fire Dept | Raccoon wandering around neighborhood. Carol spoke with caller. | Raccoon fine and moved on |
| Mar 25 | AC | Deer at Pinafore Pk stuck on fence | Deer got free on its own |
| Mar 29 | Citizen called AC/Fire Dept | Finder found dead duck in playground in Aylmer. Concerned about health issues. Carol | Advised to dispose of duck & call City of Aylmer with concerns |
| Mar 30 | Citizen called Ac/Fire Dept | Raccoon wandering around a neighborhood in St Thomas. Carol spoke with caller | Raccoon fine and moved on |
| Apr 4 | OPP | Fox attacking a Canada goose Carlow condos, Pt. Stanley. Fox killed a wild turkey | Carcass removed |
| Apr 9 | AC | Baby squirrel | Picked up & admitted by ACWR |
| Apr 14 | AC | ?baby muskrat on Elm St near Pinafore Park | In harm's way. ACWR relocated |
| April 14 | AC | Skunk on Burwell with lid stuck on its head | We went & removed mayonnaise jar & released |
| Apr 15 | AC/Caller | Disorientated raccoon on Ron McNeil & Burwell | We captured & it was euthanized same day |
| Apr 17 | AC | Mother raccoon with mange & 6 baby in caller's window well | Apr 18 Mom & babies admitted. |
| Apr 22 | Fire Dept | Injured rabbit | Not there when arrived |
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| Monthly Total | Dogs Entered | | | | Dogs Out | | | | |
|----------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|--------|----------|---------|------|------------|-------|
| | Stray/Lost | Drop-Off | Owner Surrender | Police | Owner | Adopted | ABCR | Euthanized | Other |
| Mar 1 - 31 | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Thomas | 10 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 6 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Southwold | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Malahide | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Central Elgin | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Aylmer | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 16 | 0 | 6 | 0 | 12 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Total Dogs IN | 22 | | | | | | | | |
| Total Dogs OUT | 18 | | | | | | | | |

| Other Dogs | |
|----------------|----------|
| Ice Foundation | 1 |
| Total | 1 |

| Monthly Total | Cats Entered | | | | Cats Out | | | | | |
|----------------|--------------|----------|-----------------|-------|----------|-------------|--------------|------|------------|-------|
| | Stray/Lost | Drop-Off | Owner Surrender | Owner | Adopted | Animal Aide | Pets Friends | ABCR | Euthanized | Other |
| Mar 1 - 31 | | | | | | | | | | |
| St. Thomas | 17 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Total Cats IN | 17 | | | | | | | | | |
| Total Cats OUT | 16 | | | | | | | | | |

| Other Cats | |
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| Barn Cat Program | 1 |
| Charity Cat | 1 |
| Meow or never | 2 |
| Port Stanley CR | 1 |
| Total | 5 |

As of Mar 31/19

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| Year to Date | | |
| Total Dogs IN | 49 | 47 |
| Total Dogs OUT | 45 | 52 |