

THE SIXTH MEETING OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE FOR ANIMAL WELFARE
MINUTES

COMMITTEE ROOM 304
CITY HALL

1:00 P.M.

JUNE 20, 2019

1:00 p.m. The meeting convened.

ATTENDANCE

Members

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

Officials

M. Knapp, Corporate Administrative &
Accessibility Clerk
M. Vriens, Manager, Roads & Transp.

Others

Deb Harris
Anne Vanderkuyl
Christine Harris
Colleen Burns

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

Nil.

MINUTES

Motion by G. Gratton – J. Rymal:

THAT: The minutes of the meeting held on May 23, 2019 be confirmed.

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Group Updates

Ms. Jackson asked about availability of dogs at the animal shelter for adoption.

The Manager, Roads and Transportation stated that there were many people that wanted to adopt dogs and the dogs were being adopted quickly.

The members expressed concern that the rescue groups would like to be made aware of the available animals before they are adopted out.

Ms. Clarke stated that 263 animals had been taken in so far in 2019 by Another Chance Wildlife Rehabilitation.

Ms. Clarke stated that a skunk had been released from a trap in the Scott Street/Mondamin Street area and had been in the trap for six days.

The members discussed the lack of education of how to handle a skunk on private property or City property and asked the Secretary to send the 2018 Council report to the members.

The members agreed to create a Facebook post on skunks for the City's Facebook page.

May 2019 Shelter Statistics - Appendix "A"

The members had no further questions.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Proposed New Animal Shelter Location

The Manager, Roads and Transportation stated that a report would go to Council in August regarding the proposed new animal shelter location.

CONFIRMED _____ CHAIRMAN

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Community Cat Program

The Chair asked for suggestions regarding vaccines for the cats that are trapped through the Community Cat Program. Currently cats are receiving spay/neuter and ear tipping.

The members discussed the \$4,000 budget for the cats that is available through the City. The remaining bills are funded by the Charity Cat Program.

The members agreed to create a Facebook post on the Community Cat Program for the City's Facebook page.

City Animal Services Van – Advertising

The Manager, Roads and Transportation stated that he was looking into the matter.

Facebook Page

Councillor Rymal stated that a few "Furry Friday" posts had been received well from City residents. Members could send her information to forward to the Executive Assistant to the Mayor and City Manager.

NEXT MEETING

September 19th, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. in Committee Room #304.

ADJOURNMENT

2:09 p.m. The meeting adjourned.

Appendix "A"

Monthly Total	Dogs Entered				Dogs Out				
	Stray/Lost	Drop-Off	Owner Surrender	Police	Owner	Adopted	ABCR	Euthanized	Other
May 1 - 31	18	0	4	3	16	7	0	0	1
St. Thomas	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Southwold	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malahide	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0
Central Elgin	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
Aylmer	24	0	4	3	22	7	0	0	1
TOTALS	31	0	4	3	22	7	0	0	1
Total Dogs IN	31								
Total Dogs OUT	30								

Other Dogs	
Home other area	1
Total	1

Monthly Total	Cats Entered				Cats Out					
	Stray/Lost	Drop-Off	Owner Surrender	Owner	Adopted	Animal Aide	Pets Friends	ABCR	Euthanized	Other
May 1 - 31	16	9	3	5	3	6	0	0	0	1
St. Thomas	28									
Total Cats IN	28									
Total Cats OUT	17									

Other Cats	
Country Charm	1
Barn Cat Program	1
Art 4 Animals	
Charity Cat	
Meow or never	
Welland	
Community cat	
Total	2

As of May 30/19

Year to Date	Total Cats IN	Total Cats OUT
Total Dogs IN	98	84
Total Dogs OUT	98	86

Carried over from 2018	
Dogs	0
Cats	19

