

ANIMAL CONTROL AD HOC COMMITTEE
DRAFT - MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, April 4, 2024 – 12:00 p.m.
Howard Male Conference Room

Commissioners Present: Burt Francisco, Chair
John Kozlowski
Brenda Fournier

Others Present: Jennifer Mathis, Interim County Administrator
Sheriff Erik Smith
Animal Control Officer Michelle Reid
Kim MacArthur, Board Assistant
LeAnne Bloom, Second Chance Animal Shelter
Andrew Paad, HHS
Friends of Animal Control Members

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Burt Francisco called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

ADOPT AGENDA

Chair Francisco presented the agenda for approval. Motion was made by Commissioner Kozlowski and supported by Commissioner Fournier to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

INFORMATION ITEM: Chair Francisco reported the meeting that was scheduled for this past Monday regarding the City/County Animal Control Agreement was postponed until later this month.

INFORMATION ITEM: Discussion was made on the Animal Control Shelter's management operations. Sheriff Erik Smith recommended the County continue to run the shelter and hire a Shelter Manager. This would put Deputy Michelle Reid back on the road and handling animal control complaints. Sheriff Smith would maintain supervisory responsibilities of the shelter.

Motion was made by Commissioner Fournier and supported by Commissioner Kozlowski to recommend approval to the Courts & Public Safety Committee regarding Management Operations at the Alpena County Animal Control Shelter to continue staffing county employees including a Shelter Manager with supervisory responsibilities maintaining under the Alpena County Sheriff as presented.

INFORMATION ITEM: The 2024 Animal Control Budget was reviewed.

INFORMATION ITEM: Animal Control Officer Michelle Reid presented the Monthly Animal Control Report for March (attachment #1) for review.

Deputy Reid presented the Animal Shelter Annual Report for 2023 (attachment #2) for review. This reporting is required by the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (MDARD).

***Next Meeting: Thursday, May 2, 2024, at 12:00 p.m. in Howard Male Conference Room**

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Commissioner Kozlowski and supported by Commissioner Fournier to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Burt Francisco, Chair

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