

Animal Advisory Board Minutes

January 19, 2011

Call to order

Chair Dianne Barrett called the meeting to order. The following Board Members were present: Voting members: Ida Estep, Brenda Simmons, Bess Nicholson, Dianne Barrett and Dr. Elyse Goldman, DVM; ex-officio members: Franklin County Animal Control Director Graham Stallings, and Franklin County Humane Society President Kelly Larson. Non-voting member Commissioner David Bunn. Absent: voting members Jackie Oakley and Mark Speed.

Members of the public. Barrett recognized Animal Control Officers: Wesley Denton and Cynthia Anderson. Public member Brenda D. Lemus. A sign-up sheet was passed for a complete listing of all in attendance.

Public Member Comment No comment

Motion to Adopt the Minutes

Estep so moved, Nicholson seconded, and the motion carried to approve minutes of the November 17, 2010, AAB meeting.

Election of Officers

1. Chairperson: Barrett nominated Estep, Nicholson seconded. All in favor. Ida Estep unanimously elected Chairperson for 2011.
2. Vice Chairperson: Nicholson nominated Simmons, Barrett seconded. All in favor. Brenda Simmons unanimously elected Vice Chairperson for 2011.
3. Secretary: Estep nominated Goldman, Barrett seconded. All in favor. Elyse Goldman unanimously elected Secretary for 2011.

Ordinance Work Session-Meeting Continued

Section 1-10 Confinement and Control of Exotic Animals No change.

Section 1-11 Required Notification to Animal Control Director by the Owner of a Potentially Dangerous Animal

No changes. Stallings commented that the Hospital must notify Animal Control if a person is being treated for a dog inflicted injury.

Section 1-12 Confinement, Control and Designation of Dangerous Animals

C. Delete "from the date of written notification to provide" and replace with Definition in Article 1, Section 1-1 Definitions. Delete "described in section 1-12 B of this article".

D. Delete "section 1-12B."

Section 1-13 Confiscation of Animals No change.

Section 1-14 :Dogs or other Animals used for Sentry or Guard Duty Delete "for" and replace with "whose primary purpose". Delete "purposes".

Article 2 RABIES CONTROL Postponed at this time.

Article 3 IMPOUNDMENT

Discussion followed concerning leash law and dogs wandering at large . Ms. Lemus favors a leash law. Commissioner Bunn discussed a prohibition of allowing any dogs running at large through populated areas.

Section 3-1 Delete and replace with Halifax County Ordinance Article 1, Section 14-16 Begin with: Any impounded animal confined by the animal control officer and confined in the animal shelter shall be confined in a humane manner. Impoundment of such dog or cat shall not relieve the owner thereof of any penalty which may be imposed for violation of any provision of this chapter.

Section 3-2 Notice to Owner Delete "bulletin board". No other changes.

Section 3-3 Redemption be Owner Generally A. No changes. B. No changes.

Next meeting: Wednesday February 23, 2011 at 6:15pm in the Administration Building.

Motion to adjourn: Simmons so moved and Goldman seconded. All in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Elyse Goldman, DVM

