

TOWN OF BRANFORD

DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

FEBRUARY 16, 2021

Present: Commission members Marilyn Valette, Gretchen Dale, Eunice Lasala, Stephanie Malkin, Eric Maass, Melodie O'Connor Laurie VanWilgen

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Guests: Laura Burban, Greg Ames

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM

Minutes of the last meeting: Melodie O'Connor made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Laurie Van Wilgen seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved,

Update on Shelter Project: Marilyn provided an update on the selection of the Construction Management Company. Enterprise Building has been selected. They have shelter background, were very invested in the project, and were competitively priced.

Current Shelter Report- Laura Burban reported that the shelter reopened to the public on Valentine's Day. There have been lots of adoptions. She gave an update on Lincoln who is doing well. The staff is beginning the process of packing up and getting ready to move out of the shelter in preparation for the construction to begin in Spring.

Laura reported we received a grant from CT. Green Bank for 2 solar hot water systems for the new shelter.

Fundraisers: Once again John at Frisco's Pizza stepped up to have a fundraiser for Lincoln, All the profits from his business on Sunday February 14th were donated to the Shelter for Lincoln. A huge thanks to John for once again providing so much support and to the volunteers who helped with the event.

Dog Licensing: A discussion was held on what could be done to help increase the number of dog licenses from the Town of Branford. Several of the commission members suggested doing posters and flyers to put around town.

Melodie O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Laurie Van Wilgen seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Dale

Secretary

Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter Commission