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DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

May 21, 2024

**Present:** Marilyn Valette, John Dendas, Laurie Van Wilgen, Melodie O'Connor, Eric Maass, Bernice McKay

**Absent:** Gretchen Dale

**Guest:** Laura Burban

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM

**Minutes from the last meeting-** were reviewed, Bernice McKay made a motion to approve the minutes, John Dendas seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

**Monthly Reports** were reviewed, Melodie O'Conner made a motion to approve the reports, Eric Maass seconded the motion. The reports were unanimously approved

**Updates from last month's meeting:**

**Cleaning:** Did not get an update on status from Wendy.

**Sound System:** Still not functioning.

**Splash Pad:** Fully operational and a huge success. The dogs love it.

**Trails:** Gary from Public works is moving ahead and working on clearing the trails

**Event Ticketing**

Marilyn Valette presented the findings as a result of a few Commission members making phone calls to see how other organizations handle ticketing for events. Basically none offered a usable solution for the Shelter. Some additional questions were raised that need to be asked of the Financial Department of the Town. Laura will reach out to Jim Finch.

**Fundraising:**

The event at the Parthenon Diner in June 2024. Was a fun event and raised about \$5,000.

The next event The Dog Days of Summer will be held on July 21, 2024 at Nuzzo Farm in Branford. This will be a music and food truck event from 3 to 7. Tickets are \$30 each or \$100 per car load.

Melodie O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bernice McKay seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50PM

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Van Wilgen, Commissioner

Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter Commission