

**TOWN OF BRANFORD DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL SHELTER
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2024**

Present: Marilyn Vailette, Gretchen Dale, Melodie O'Connor, Bernice McKay, John Dendas, Eric Maas ,
Laurie Van Wilgen

Guest: Laura Burban

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

FUND FOR THE DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL SHELTER MEDICAL NEEDS:

A discussion was held on how to set up a fund to cover the increasing medical costs for our shelter animals. Gretchen Dale reviewed the findings of how a fund could be set up for DCAS which is a municipal shelter and not a 501c3. The Branford Community Foundation was suggested as an organization where a designated fund could be set up for these needs and once a year their endowment would send a check to the Dan Cosgrove Shelter. The name of the fund would be the DANCOSGROVE ANIMAL SHELTER MEDICAL AND WELLNESS FUND.

DISCUSSION EVENTBRITE FOR SELLING EVENT TICKETS- The Commission has been looking into finding a platform for helping us sell tickets to our events. Eventbrite is being investigated as an organization who can do this. We found they have a charitable division as well and Larua will contact them to see if they can work with us to do this. ANEDOT was another company that was suggested by Jamie Cosgrove and Jim Finch. They are being used by The Branford Recreation Department and are a charitable site. Laura will investigate both and compare the two and get back to the commission with her findings.

Melodie O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. John Dendas seconded the motion. The motion was approved

The meeting was adjourned at 6:42PM

Respectfully submitted

Gretchen Dale

Secretary

Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter Commission

Laurie Van Wilgen
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