

Animal Welfare Committee Meeting  
June 28, 2018  
Davis Hall

<b>Term Exp</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Staff	Vivian Cooper		X
2/28/2021	Taimi Anderson	X	
4/30/2021	Suzie Bellamy	X	
5/26/2018	Nick Brennan	X	
11/23/2018	Kathy Rodeffer	X	
2/28/2021	Patti Stange	X	
3/31/2020	Dave Turley	X	

Guests: Bob Ryan, Director of Public Services; Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary

The meeting was called to order at 6:55pm by Mr. Brennan.

1. Reviewed the April 26, 2018 minutes. Ms. Rodeffer made a motion to accept the minutes. Ms. Bellamy seconded the motion. All in favor; no opposed.
2. In lieu of Ms. Cooper's absence, Mr. Brennan gave the following report:
  - a. Finances
    - i. AWC Donation Account - \$9,417.
    - ii. Dog veterinary care (\$500) for transfer to Best Dawg Rescue:
      1. Barry and Canelo - \$380  
*NB – Barry has a cataract in his left eye and needs to have drops daily. He also tested positive for Lyme. Both males are heart worm negative.*
      2. Gigi - \$120  
*NB – Gigi is heart worm negative.*
    - iii. Discussed transferring monies from the AWC Donation Account to the Vet Services line on the budget to cover the \$500 invoice for the dog's care. Mr. Ryan stated it was not necessary as the invoice would not arrive prior to the beginning of FY 2019 and the invoice could be paid at that time.
  - b. Adoptions
    - i. Seely - cat
    - ii. Cole - cat
    - iii. Banana - cat
    - iv. Jasmine – dog
  - c. Fosters/Petco
    - i. Lady (AKA Pearl) – foster with Ms. Rodeffer. She is posted on PetFinder.com for potential adoption. Pearl needs to have a home with people who will be patient with her and allow her to become acclimated to her new surroundings.
  - d. Upcoming Events
    - i. College Park Day at the airport – Saturday, October 6, 2018

- ii. National Feral Cat Day – Tuesday, October 16, 2018
  - iii. Downtown Farmer’s Market – Sunday, July 15, 2018
  - iv. Hollywood Farmer’s Market – Saturday, July 28, 2018
3. Mr. Ryan discussed the shelter. Mr. Somers, Mr. Marsili, Ms. Cooper and Mr. Ryan were looking at the shelter earlier in the day. Mr. Ryan is aware of the need to have a separation fence in the patio area. There is no scheduled date as of today. Everyone is aware of the new Department of Agriculture regulations on shelters to be in compliance by July 1, 2019. Mr. Ryan assured the committee that there is money in the budget to meet all the regulations and anything that needs to be done, will be completed by the July 1, 2019 deadline.
  4. Mr. Ryan indicated that the new van for the Animal Control officer is on order and thinks it will be here by mid-to-late July.
  5. There are no new updates on committees from Mayor and Council. Mr. Brennan has spoken to Mr. Somers about having volunteers to help in the shelter that are not members of the committee. He stated that Mr. Somers is still looking into this option. Mr. Ryan stated that there is some money in the budget to hire a dog walker if volunteers are not available when there are dogs in the shelter.
  6. The manager of Krazi Kebob contacted Ms. Rodeffer. Since the turnout was not very good, he will be sending a check as a donation.
  7. The shelter and the shed needs to be cleaned out and organized. We need to find a day when it can be accomplished. All the food in the shelter and the shed needs to be checked for expiration dates. The abundance of towels could be given to the College Park Hospital or to Lynn (vet). Mr. Ryan stated that if we give him a few days’ notice, he will contact DPW about power washing the shelter and the shed.
  8. The Patuxent Avenue cat colony. Mr. Brennan stated that the neighbor, Victoria McDonald, has four kittens that were born in the shed. They are about 8 weeks old. Ms. Brainard was contacted and went to view the kittens. DC HRA was contacted and took the kittens and also trapped and spayed the mother. There is hope that all kittens will be able to be adopted. Rufus, the male cat, needs to be trapped and neutered.
  9. Next meeting is July 26, 2018 at 7pm in Davis Hall.

Ms. Bellamy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Stange seconded the motion. All in favor; no opposed. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary.