

Animal Welfare Committee Meeting  
 May 26, 2022  
**Via Teleconferencing through Zoom**  
 7:30pm

<b>Term Exp</b>	<b>Members</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>
Staff	Bob Ryan	X	
Staff	Rebecca Bailey	X	
6/30/2022	Taimi Anderson		X
6/30/2022	Suzie Bellamy	X	
6/30/2022	Marci Booth	X	
06/30/2024	Stephanie Butler	X	
06/30/2024	Eugene Chay	X	
06/30/2023	Lisa Ealley	X	
6/30/2023	Mark Hall		X
6/30/2024	Sharon O'Malley	X	
6/30/2024	Kathy Rodeffer (a 8:25pm)	X	
6/30/2023	Patti Stange		X
6/30/2023	Stephanie Stulich (d 8:15pm)	X	
6/20/2024	Bonnie Swart		X
6/30/2024	Stacy Teng	X	
6/30/2023	Dave Turley		X
6/30/2022	Kennis Termini (a 7:37pm)	X	

Also present: Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary

The meeting was called to order at 7:32pm by Ms. Ealley, Co-Chair.

1. The agenda was reviewed, and a motion was made by Ms. Bellamy to accept it with amended order of the agenda. Ms. Stulich seconded the motion. **Motion carries 8-0-0.**
2. The April 28, 2022, minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Ms. Bellamy to accept the minutes. Ms. O'Malley seconded the motion. **Motion carries 8-0-0.**
3. Discussion concerning Honorary Membership of current AWC members. Ms. Stulich stated that she spoke to the City Clerk regarding the three consecutive missing of meetings rule of attendance. Exceptions can be made if a committee member misses three consecutive meetings, and the chair of the committee is made aware. However, the committee can vote for a recommendation to the City Clerk to remove a member after missing three consecutive meetings. The recommendation does not mean that the member will be removed; the City Clerk's office will follow up with the member and inform the chair of the outcome.

Further discussion took place with regards to Honorary Members. Mr. Ryan stated that there are currently no honorary members on AWC. However, if the committee wishes, a motion can be made to recommend to Mayor and Council, through the City Clerk's office, a member to become honorary. This led to discussion concerning the membership of Taimi Anderson, Patti Stange, and Dave Turley. Ms. Ealley stated that Mr. Turley had given notice of his resignation from AWC, although nothing official has been received from the City Clerk's office. Ms.

Anderson's membership is up June 30, 2022; to the best of the co-chair's knowledge, she has not reapplied for her membership renewal. Ms. Stange's membership is not up until June 30, 2023. The following decisions were made:

- Ms. Stulich made a motion to recommend to Mayor and City Council that Dave Turley become an Honorary AWC member. Ms. Butler seconded. **Motion carries 9-0-0.**
  - The committee will wait until the City Clerk's office confirms that Ms. Anderson has or has not re-applied for membership. If she does not re-apply, the committee will recommend her for an Honorary AWC member. This will be reviewed at the July AWC meeting
  - In lieu of the fact that Ms. Stange's membership is not up until June 30, 2023, she will remain an active member.
  - Ms. Termini was asked if she would like to be recommended for Honorary Membership and she did affirm. Ms. Booth made a motion to recommend to Mayor and City Council that Kennis Termini become an Honorary AWC member. Ms. Bellamy seconded. **Motion carries 8-0-1.**
  - Comments were also noted that emails should have context in them as new members are not aware of the history.
  - If members become honorary or do not reapply for membership, new members can be added to the committee.
  - Mr. Ryan stated that a proclamation would need to be written for the prospective Honorary members; Ms. Stulich agreed to write them.
4. ACO Report from Ms. Bailey was emailed out to the committee earlier in the day.
- a. The Rabies/Microchip went well. There were 26 rabies shots given and 11 microchips.
  - b. A fall clinic will be scheduled. Ms. Bailey will confirm dates with Dr. Hepner and will be discussed at the June meeting.
  - c. College Park Day is October 15. AWC has always had a presence there. Further discussion will take place at the June meeting.
  - d. Discussed AWC having presence at the Hollywood Farmer's Market or Wells Ice Rink Farmer's Market.
  - e. The suggestion was made to have a "Do You Know" list for the Municipal Scene and social media, especially highlighting Ms. Bailey as the new ACO. Ms. DeWalt volunteered to go through the meeting minutes and submit bullet points to the co-chairs to review.
  - f. Petco. Mitzi and Bobby will be going to Petco on Friday, May 27.
  - g. Maryland Day went well. Ms. Bailey handed out a number of flyers for the clinic, brochures, and giveaways. More giveaways will need to be ordered.
  - h. Lizzie, cat, was taken to a vet for her skin issues and \$216 out of the \$500 allocated has been spent.
5. Municipal Scene Articles – due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to published month to Ms. Bailey. Some updates were made to rearrange previous committee articles:
- a. June – Fireworks – Ms. O'Malley/New Animal Laws-Ms. Booth – Please note that both of these subjects will also go out via social media and be placed on the Animal Control website page for the City of College Park
  - b. July – How heat affects animals – Ms. Butler/Dangerous Algae – Mr. Hall (Ms. Booth has this copy) – Please note that this information will be placed on the Animal Control website page for the City of College Park
  - c. August – Pet immunization month – Ms. Rodeffer

- d. September – Dog Training
  - e. October – Halloween Hazards
  - f. November – Holiday foods
  - g. December – Why animals should not be given as holiday presents  
(Ms. Ealley will reach out to Ms. Stange to inquire if she would do some articles for the Municipal Scene.)
6. Observations have been made concerning parking at the dog park and it appears that there have been no traffic issues. Residents can park at Davis Hall in the evenings and on the weekends and walk to the dog park. The committee made a request of a small sign indicating parking at Davis Hall; Mr. Marsili, Director of Public Works for College Park, is not in favor of having a sign posted. The committee also suggested having a brochure rack at the dog park; Mr. Ryan will make inquiries.
7. The date of the next virtual meeting will be on June 23, 2022, at 7:30pm. Ms. Bellamy made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Second by Ms. Butler. **Motion carries 9-0-0.** The meeting was adjourned at 8:47pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sheryl DeWalt, contract secretary.