

ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
June 8, 2020

MEMBERS

Sita Cohen
Chris Hazel
Valerie Pena
Nancy Riggert
Laura Soto
Rebecca Warren

STAFF

Virgil Sauder

PUBLIC

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chris moved to approve the March 9, 2020, minutes as written.

Nancy seconded. Motion passes 5-0-0.

NEW BUSINESS

- i. **No new business**

REPORTS

- i. **Animal Care and Control Report**

Virgil shared that there has not been an increase in intake over the past months. Decrease in canine intake, but not much change in cat intake. Noted that the number of cats adopted are up this year and the overall percentage of adoptions are up from previous years. Shelter moved to an appointment basis for all intake and adoptions. Currently not allowing general visitations of animals. Number of animals in shelter have increased over the last few weeks. The shelter is currently working on posting strays onto the website to assist in return to owners of stray animals. Launched program to provide individuals with courtesy listings of owned animals needing to be rehomed. This program hopes to provide an alternative to owner surrenders to the shelter.

- ii. **MCHA Update**

Valerie provided update. She is now a member of the Board for MCHA. Board is working at reorganizing and working on by-laws as well as expanding members. Loss of income for a Tails on Town event. Received some grants that have assisted to fill gap. Looking at planning for other fundraising activities. On-line giving has increased. Animal care campus is open and individuals are actively utilizing clinic at new location. Discussion of possibility of individuals putting money towards a matching campaign. Rebecca reiterated that donations are down but demand for services have increased. Due to loss of major events, predicts a 70-80,000 loss in revenue. Working on options to adjust to this change.

- iii. **AMC Update**

Valerie stated that the County Animal Management Commission has not met so there is nothing to report at this time.

ANIMAL CONTROL COMMISSION DISCUSSION

Nancy inquired about Pet's Alive services at this time. Pet's Alive closed for a portion of time and wondered about impact to the shelter. Virgil stated that the decrease of intake has allowed the shelter *to* function around this *closure*. With intake of kittens this could be an issue in future dates if closures continue.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No public present for comment.