

Committee Room "E"
City Hall, Saskatoon, SK
Thursday, January 24, 2013
at 11:45 a.m.

MINUTES

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ANIMAL CONTROL

PRESENT: Ms. Diane Bentley
Ms. Rebecca Wood
Ms. Shirley Ross
Ms. Maggie Sim
Dr. Peter Gilbert
Integrated Facility Supervisor, Brad Babyak
Inspector Dale Solie, Saskatoon Police Services;
Superintendent, Urban Forestry, Geoff McLeod
Municipal Prosecutor, Debbie Patterson
Solicitor Kowalski
Ms. Eva Alexandrovici, President, Saskatoon Animal Control Agency
Ms. Tiffany Koback, Shelter Manager, Saskatoon S.P.C.A.
Committee Secretary, Kathy O'Brien

1. Minutes

RESOLVED: that the minutes of November 22, 2012, be approved.

2. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair
(File No. CK. 225-9)

The following have been appointed and reappointed to the Advisory Committee on Animal Control for 2013:

Councillor Z. Jeffries
Ms. Diane Bentley
Ms. Shirley Ross
Ms. Cassandra Hovdestad
Dr. Peter Gilbert (Saskatoon Academy of Veterinary Practitioners)
Dr. Michael Powell, Saskatoon Academy of Veterinary Practitioners
Rebecca Wood (SPCA Board)
Ms. Maggie Sim (Saskatoon Health Region)

The Committee Secretary submitted a copy of the current membership and contact information.

There are two vacancies on the Committee at present. The City Clerk's office has advertised the vacancies. The closing date for applications was January 18, 2013.

RESOLVED: Ms. Diane Bentley was re-elected Chair, and Ms. Maggie Sim was re-elected Vice Chair, for 2013.

3. Introduction of New Members
(File No. CK. 225-9)

Ms. Wood and Inspector Solie were welcomed to the Committee. Councillor Jeffries, also new to the Committee, was unable to attend this meeting.

RESOLVED: that the information be received.

4. Report of Chair
(File No. CK. 225-9)

The Chair had no report.

RESOLVED: that the information be received.

5. Report of Open Space Consultant
(File No. CK. 151-18)

Mr. Brad Babyak, Integrated Facility Supervisor, Community Services Department, was in attendance representing Leisure Services.

Mr. Babyak advised the Committee that 2013 is anticipated to be a learning opportunity/transition year while Community Services takes over the role of animal control services from Corporate Services. He further reported that garbage collection services in the Off Leash Recreation Areas (OLRA) had recently been finalized and discussed collection schedules.

Mr. Babyak responded to questions from members about OLRAs.

RESOLVED: that the information be received.

6. Court Reports -Animal Control Bylaw Prosecutions
November 2012
December 2012
(File No. CK. 435-17)
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The Committee Secretary submitted the above-noted Court Reports, as provided by the Municipal Prosecutor.

Ms. Debbie Patterson, Bylaw Prosecutor, discussed the reports before the Committee and answered questions from Committee members.

RESOLVED: that the information be received.

7. Update – Animal Bite Awareness Campaign
(File No. CK. 152-4)
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Ms. Maggie Sim circulated copies of the poster and tear-off pads which have now been printed. It was noted that there were issues with the paper quality for the utility stuffer, but it was anticipated they would be printed in time to be placed in March 2013 utility bill envelopes.

It is anticipated that the Animal Bite Awareness Subcommittee will be meeting in the near future to ensure the utility stuffers are ready and to discuss distribution of the posters and tear-off pads.

RESOLVED: that the information be received.

The meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Ms. Diane Bentley, Chair