

11TH REPORT OF THE
ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on October 3, 2013, commencing at 5:17 p.m.

PRESENT: S. C. Rans (Chair), J. Lalonde, A. Papmehl, M. Puzanov, T. Satchell, G. Sturm and M. Warner and H. Lysynski (Acting Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: R. Oke, F. Sekercioglu and B. Westlake-Power.

REGRETS: J. Fawcett-Cornish, E. Gerrow, W. L. MacKay and V. Van Linden.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

RFP 12-28,
Animal
Welfare
Services

1. (2) That clarification and correction, if necessary, on parts a) and b) of the September 17, 2013 Municipal Council resolution, relating to RFP 12-28, Animal Welfare Services, BE PROVIDED to the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC); it being noted that the AWAC members present at the Community and Protective Services Committee (CPSC) meeting on September 9, 2013 were of the understanding that the CPSC requested the Civic Administration formulate a different model than the one staff presented to the CPSC on Sept 9, 2013; it being further noted that the model would be for Animal Services in London with a greater emphasis on 'care' and less on 'control'.

Municipal
Animal
Welfare
Program
Funding

2. (4,12,Add) That the following actions be taken with respect to animal care/welfare funding:

- a) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to provide clarification with respect to where the cat and dog licensing funds are allocated, how the reserve funds work and how to increase the current operating budget; it being noted that the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard a verbal presentation from R. Oke, Animal Control & Welfare Coordinator, with respect to the municipal animal welfare program funding; and,
- b) the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to develop a business case to support a \$50,000 increase in the Animal Welfare Operating Budget to be specifically used for spay/neuter and/or trap neuter release programs.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Dog Parks
Sub-
Committee

3. (A,6,16) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard a verbal presentation from J. Lalonde, on behalf of the Dog Parks Sub-committee and reviewed and received communications from J. Lalonde and A. Macpherson, Manager, Environmental and Parks Planning, with respect to the Stoney Creek Dog Park. The AWAC asked that the Manager, Environmental and Parks Planning be advised that the AWAC supports the London Dog Owner's Association's position to not extend the fence into the wetland because of the potential impact on the wildlife.

Animal
Services

4. (3) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard a verbal presentation from J. Lalonde, on behalf of the Animal Services Working Group and referred consideration of the communication provided by J. Lalande, with respect to expanding the scope of animal welfare, to its Sub-committee for further consideration and to report back at a future meeting.

Animal
Welfare
Services That
Work

5. (5) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) postponed consideration of the verbal presentation by S. Rans relating to "animal welfare services that work", to a future meeting of the AWAC when the information is available.

2013 AWAC
Draft Work
Plan

6. (7) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) requested that the AWAC response to the Community and Protective Services Committee relating to the Animal Services RFP12-28 be included on the 2013 AWAC Draft Work Plan.

Current Development – ESA's and Urban Wildlife	7. (13) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) postponed the presentation by S. Rans, relating to the current development of environmentally significant areas and urban wildlife, to a future meeting of the AWAC when the information is available.
British Columbia Cat Sanctuary	8. (Add) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee postponed the delegation from Councillor D. Brown, with respect to her visit to a cat sanctuary in British Columbia, to a future meeting.
	9. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) noted and filed the following:
10th Report of the AWAC	(a) (1) the 10th Report of the AWAC from its meeting held on September 5, 2013;
M. Shepherd Resignation	(b) (8) a communication, dated September 13, 2013, from M. Shepherd, with respect to her resignation from the AWAC;
B. Sayler Resignation	(c) (9) a communication, dated September 22, 2013, from B. Sayler, with respect to her resignation from the AWAC;
9th Report of the AWAC	(d) (10) the 9th Report of the AWAC from its meeting held on August 1, 2013;
7th and 8th Reports of the AWAC	(e) (11) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on July 30, 2013, with respect to the 7th and 8th Reports of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee;
9th Report of the AWAC	(f) (14) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on August 27, 2013, with respect to the 9th Report of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee;
ReThink London – What We Think We Have Heard	(g) (15) an information report from the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner with respect to ReThink London – What We Think We Have Heard; and,
B. Barr Resignation	(h) (17) a communication dated October 2, 2013, from B. Barr, with respect to his resignation from the AWAC.
Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest – T. Satchell and M. Warner	10. That T. Satchell and M. Warner disclosed pecuniary interests in Clause 4 of this report having to do the Animal Welfare Services, by indicating that they are affiliated with a group that has submitted an RFP for Animal Welfare Services.
Next Meeting	11. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) will hold its next meeting on November 7, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.