

1ST REPORT OF THE
ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on December 6, 2012, commencing at 4:05 p.m.

PRESENT: S. C. Rans (Chair), D. A. Fortney, E. Gerrow, W. L. MacKay, J. McFadden, A. Pappmehl, M. Puzanov, B. Sayler, M. Shepherd, G. Sturm, V. Van Linden and M. Warder and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: R. Oke.

REGRETS: B. Barr, D. Clarke and F. Sekercioglu.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

Extending the Current Contract for Animal Control, Shelter and Licensing Services

1. (4) That the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to fully review the Request for Proposal (RFP) 12-28 for Animal Welfare Services submissions and award the contract by March 28, 2013, which is six months from the RFP submission deadline date; it being noted that the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and received a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on October 30, 2012 and a Report dated November 6, 2012, from the Managing Director, Development and Compliance Services and Chief Building Official, with respect to extending the current contract for Animal Control, Shelter and Licensing Services.

Animal Services 2011 Performance Statistics

2. (5) That the following actions be taken with respect to the Animal Services 2011 Performance Statistics:

a) the 2011 Annual Report and Performance Statistics **BE FORWARDED** to the Community and Protective Services Committee in the same format as the 2010 Report, as soon as possible;

b) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to include in the 2011 Annual Report and Performance Statistics the number of animals killed and the number of animals transferred out to rescue groups, and that the statistics not be presented merely in percentages;

c) upon the completion of (a) and (b) above, the 2011 Annual Report and Performance Statistics **BE REFERRED** to the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) for its consideration and review; and,

d) the attached communication dated November 15, 2012, from H. Chapman, Manager, Municipal Law Enforcement Services **BE FORWARDED** to the Members of the Municipal Council; it being noted that the AWAC expressed its concern with the content of the above-noted communication; it being further noted that the AWAC reviewed and received the attached communication dated December 6, 2012, from V. Van Linden, with respect to this matter.

Dog and Cat Licensing and Control By-laws (PH-4, PH-3)

3. (7) That the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to consider the following proposed amendments to the Dog and Cat Licensing and Control By-laws (PH-4 and PH-3):

a) foster homes housing dogs, under the direction of known and recognized animal rescue groups, be added to Part 2 Exemptions, as follows:

“this by-law shall not apply to individuals providing foster homes that are housing dogs – which includes providing food, shelter, training and veterinary care – under the direction of known and recognized animal rescue groups within our community”; and,

b) foster homes housing cats, under the direction of known and recognized animal rescue groups, be added to Part 2 Exemptions, as follows:

“this by-law shall not apply to individuals providing foster homes that are housing cats – which includes providing food, shelter, and veterinary care – under the direction of known and recognized rescue groups within our community”;

it being noted that the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and received the attached communication from A. Papmehl, with respect to this matter.

Damage to
Trees from
Beavers

4. (10) That the Ecologist Planner **BE REQUESTED** to respond to the attached communication from a community resident, with respect to damage to trees by beavers; it being noted that the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee continues to work on solutions for urban wildlife issues.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Election of
Chair and
Vice Chair

5. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) elected S C. Rans as its Chair and M. Puzanov as its Vice Chair for the term ending November 30, 2013.

Grazing Areas
for Domestic
Animals at
Storybook
Gardens

6. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard a verbal update from J. Riddell, Manager, Storybook Gardens, with respect to grazing areas for domestic animals at Storybook Gardens; it being noted that the AWAC was advised that two grassed padlocks have been built.

AWAC
Meeting Time

7. (Added) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) held a general discussion with respect to the start time of its monthly meetings; it being noted that the AWAC determined that its monthly meeting will begin at 5:00 p.m., as of January 1, 2013.

Wildlife Sub-
committee

8. (C) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and received the attached report, dated December 6, 2012, from S. Rans, on behalf of the Wildlife Sub-committee.

4th Report of
the AWAC

9. (1) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and held a general discussion with respect to the 4th Report of the AWAC, from its meeting held on November 1, 2012.

Animal
Welfare
Services

10. (6) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and received the following communications:

- (a) the companies under contract with the City of London for animal control;
- (b) the Request for Proposal 12-28 for Animal Welfare Services; and,
- (c) the current contract record for the Animal Control, Pound and Licensing Services for the City of London;

it being noted that the AWAC asked that the companies under contract with the City of London for animal control be placed on its next agenda for further discussion.

AWAC -
Deferred
Matters

11. (8, 9) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) deferred discussion of the following matters to its next meeting:

- (a) M. Shepherd – Programs in London - “Cold to Cozy”; and,
- (b) 2013 Work Plan and Major Projects.

Environmental
Assessments
– November
2012

12. (11) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) referred the Environmental Assessments dated November 2012, to its Wildlife Sub-committee for review.

13. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) noted and filed the following:

1st, 2nd and 3rd Reports of the AWAC

(a) (2) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on October 30, 2012 with respect to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Reports of the AWAC from its meetings held on August 2, September 6 and October 4, 2013, respectively; and,

Relocating the Beavers in the Stanton Drain

(b) (3) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on October 30, 2012 with respect to the relocation of the beavers in the Stanton Drain.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – M. Shepherd

14. That M. Shepherd disclosed a pecuniary interest in Clauses 1, 2 and 10 of this report having to do with the extension of the current contract for Animal Control, Shelter and Licensing Services, the Animal Services 2011 Performance Statistics and the Request for Proposal 12-28 and Contract Record for Animal Welfare Services, by indicating that she is affiliated with a group that has submitted an RFP for Animal Welfare Services.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – D. Fortney

15. That D. Fortney disclosed a pecuniary interest in Clauses 1, 2 and 10 of this report having to do with the extension of the current contract for Animal Control, Shelter and Licensing Services, the Animal Services 2011 Performance Statistics and the Request for Proposal 12-28 and Contract Record for Animal Welfare Services, by indicating that she is affiliated with a group that has submitted an RFP for Animal Welfare Services.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – B. Saylor

16. That B. Saylor disclosed a pecuniary interest in Clauses 1, 2 and 10 of this report having to do with the extension of the current contract for Animal Control, Shelter and Licensing Services, the Animal Services 2011 Performance Statistics and the Request for Proposal 12-28 and Contract Record for Animal Welfare Services, by indicating that she is affiliated with a group that has submitted an RFP for Animal Welfare Services.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – M. Warner

17. That M. Warner disclosed a pecuniary interest in Clauses 1, 2 and 10 of this report having to do with the extension of the current contract for Animal Control, Shelter and Licensing Services, the Animal Services 2011 Performance Statistics and the Request for Proposal 12-28 and Contract Record for Animal Welfare Services, by indicating that she is affiliated with a group that has submitted an RFP for Animal Welfare Services.

Next Meeting

18. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) will hold its next meeting on January 3, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.