8TH REPORT OF THE

ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on July 4, 2013, commencing at 5:10 P.M.

PRESENT: B. Barr (Acting Chair), J. Fawcett-Cornish, W. L. MacKay, A. Papmehl, M. Puzanov, B. Sayler, G. Sturm, V. Van Linden and M. Warder and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: F. Sekercioglu.

REGRETS: E. Gerrow, J. Lalonde, S. C. Rans, T. Satchell and M. Shepherd.

I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

Non-Lethal Beaver Management

1. (4) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) **BE PERMITTED** to forward the <u>attached</u> informational letter to the Drainage Superintendents Association of Ontario; it being noted that this letter informs about the availability of non-lethal beaver management practices.

3130 and 3260 Dingman Drive and the Rear Portion of 4397 and 4407 Wellington Road South

- 2. (7) That the following actions be taken with respect to the proposed development of properties located at 3130 and 3260 Dingman Drive and the rear portion of 4397 and 4407 Wellington Road South:
- a) the Civic Administration **BE REQUESTED** to consider conducting a study of the specific wildlife species that inhabit the area of Dingman Drive and Wellington Road South, and that the study include recommendations for the provision of safe exit corridors and/or relocation of the affected species;
- b) the Ministry of Natural Resources **BE CONSULTED** on all wildlife species inhabiting the above-noted area; and,
- the Civic Administration **BE ADVISED** that the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) is not supportive of the proposed development of the above-noted property; it being noted that an environmentally significant woodlot with wetland such as this, provides essential habitat to numerous species, all of which are interdependent of each other, also noting that the area provides environmental benefit to the citizens of London;

it being noted that the AWAC held a general discussion and reviewed and received a communication dated June 23, 2013, from S. Rans, with respect to this matter and asked that its Chair meet with the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner regarding the Dingman Drive/Wellington Road property and the City's wildlife policies.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Woodland Cemetery Deer 3. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) deferred the presentation from K. Campbell, Woodland Cemetery, with respect to the Woodland Cemetery deer, to its next meeting.

Dogs Off-Leash Times in Regular Parks 4. (5) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) postponed discussion of dogs off-leash times in regular parks to its next meeting.

Good News Stories

5. (6) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard various good news stories with respect to animals from its Members. The AWAC asked that Councillor D. Brown be invited to its next meeting to share her story of a recent visit to a cat sanctuary in British Columbia.

AWAC Deferred Matters 6. (8) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) reviewed and received its deferred matters list as at July 4, 2013; it being noted that the AWAC asked that its deferred matters be placed on its agenda each month.

Social Media for Advisory Committees

7. (Added) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) asked that the matter of social media for advisory committees be placed on its next agenda and asked its members to bring forth their ideas at that time.

Community **Events**

- That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard about the following community events from its Members:
- a) PAWS Dog Days of Summer Fundraiser – July 6, 2013; Animalert Burger and Beer Night – July 9, 2013; and,
- b)
- London Dog Owners Association Pooch Plunge September 1, 2013. c)
- That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) noted and filed the following:

7th Report of the AWAC

the 7th Report of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee from its (1) meeting held on June 6, 2013;

6th Report of the AWAC

a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on June 11, 2013, with respect to the 6th Report of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee from its meeting held on May 2, 2013; and,

Appointment to the AWAC – J. Lalonde

a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on June 11, 2013, with respect to the appointment of J. Lalonde to the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee for the term ending February 28, 2015.

Next Meeting

That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) will hold its next meeting on August 1, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 P.M.