



Municipality of Anchorage  
**Animal Control Advisory Board**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**April 28, 2022**



1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 5:34 p.m. by Ms. Schamber. A quorum was present.

**Members Present:** Allegra Hamer, Chair; Pamela Schamber, Vice Chair; Cathy Foerster, Debbie Sis, Jessie Janowski, Sandy Potter, Tim Ebben.

**Members Absent:** Rachelle Alger

**Staff Present:** Kimberly Rash, AHD; Tamiah Liebersbach, AHD; Melissa Winn, ALPS; Jordan Taylor, ALPS.

2. **Minutes from March 24, 2022, Meeting:**

March Minutes

Ms. Foerster motioned to approve March's minutes; motion was seconded by Ms. Sis; minutes approved unanimously

3. **Requested Presentations:**

None.

4. **Persons to be Heard:**

None.

5. **Standing Reports:**

**Anchorage Animal Care and Control (AACC) Monthly Report and Public Outreach**

Director Winn summarized the highlights of the March 2022 Anchorage Animal Care and Control Monthly Report.

Mr. Taylor summarized the highlights of March's Public Outreach report.

6. **Committee Reports:**

**a. Title 17 Review Committee – (Pam Schamber)**

Ms. Schamber reported

Title 17 Committee reviewed the origin of the question around bonding. It was found that the issue was brought forward by prior AHD staff member, Michael Tierney at the time when the State of Alaska passed a bonding provision. The bonding issue is still important to AACC, but there is a lack of support from the Assembly for it. Title 17 Committee decided to keep it on the reviewed list but move it off of the top of the list.

Title 17 Committee reviewed and reprioritized the issues the committee will address. An issue related to wild/exotic animal ownership was removed from the list because that is the jurisdiction of Fish and Game. An issue related to loose dogs on mushing and skijoring trails was removed from the list because it falls under the leash law issue. The list is now as follows:

1. Review and recommend leash law regulation.
2. Member of the public has request ACAB review adding a requirement of holders of a Commercial facility license report all animal deaths that occur at their facility.
3. ACAB member proposed that Veterinarian clinics that are boarding animals not related to medical care be required to obtain a Commercial Facility License; same as other facilities that offer boarding and daycare.
4. Member of the public requested that we consider updating requirements around rescue licenses to make it easier to track disease outbreaks (like distemper) by requiring rescues to list with AACC who is in physical custody of animals at all times.”
5. Establish a bonding requirement for animal cruelty cases.

### **c. Spay Neuter Working Group (Allegra Hamer)**

Ms. Hamer reported

She has no updates at this time.

### **7. AHD Staff Reports:**

Ms. Liebersbach reported

Anchorage Animal Care and Control has been invited to apply for a grant from the ASPCA Northern Tier Shelter Initiative. The grant will provide funding for additional spays and neuters, equipment upgrades, and cat housing enhancements.

There is still a vacant seat on the Animal Control Advisory Board. Interested individuals can apply on the Municipality's Boards and Commissions website.

**8. Old Business:** None.

**9. New Business:** None.

**10. Persons to be Heard on Meeting Topics:** None.

**11. Informational Items:**

- a.** The next Title 17 Review Committee meeting will be held Thursday, May 12, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at Anchorage Animal Care and Control.
- b.** The next Animal Control Advisory Board meeting will be held Thursday, May 26, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. via Microsoft Teams.
- c.** The Scoop the Poop event April 23 was very successful.

**12. Adjournment:** Ms. Foerster motioned to adjourn. Adjourned at 6:00 PM.