

Animal Care Committee

October 21, 2015

York Room

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM

Attendance: Councillor Valerie Burke , Denielle Duncan, Chair, Furhait Kashmiri, Terri Daniels , Jennifer Ford, Rhiannon Lane, Shirley Lesch, and Michelle Lustri
Staff: , Laura Gold, Committee Clerk
Members of the Public: Bernice Royce
Regrets: Christy Lehman, Licensing & Standards Coordinator , Pushproup Brar, Julia Colangelo, Pam Young, and Esther Attard

Item	Discussion	Action
1. Call to Order	The Animal Care Committee convened at 5:44 p.m. with Denielle Duncan presiding as Chair.	
2. Minutes	Moved by Esther Attard Seconded by Terri Daniels That the Minutes from the September 16, 2015, Animal Care Committee meeting be approved as presented.	CARRIED
3. Business Arising From the Minutes	The Committee reviewed the action items from the previous meeting.	

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4. Animal Control Program Update	a. <u>Trap Neuter and Return (TNR) Pilot Project Update</u> The Committee discussed when it will need to stop trapping. Denielle Duncan advised that trapping is typically done until the middle of November, but it depends on the weather. b. <u>Barn Cats and Fundraising for the Adoption Centre</u> The Committee inquired when the construction on the City's Cat Adoption and Education Centre will start. Denielle Duncan will follow up with Christy Lehman on this matter. Denielle Duncan advised she has literature she can share with the City on barn cat programs.	Follow up with Christy on when the construction of the adoption centre will start – Denielle Duncan Share literature with the City on the barn cat program – Denielle Duncan
5. Events	The Committee discussed what upcoming events it would like to attend, and the logistics of the events it planned to attend. Denielle Duncan advised that the Committee did not end up having a booth at the Stiver Mill, as they could not get an outdoor booth and the indoor booths were too expensive.	
6. New Business	A. Impact on the Development of Wildlife Denielle Duncan read a letter written by Councillor Burke encouraging the City to develop a wildlife strategy to help manage the impact of development on wildlife.	

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	Moved by Michelle Lustri Seconded by Shirley Lesch That the Animal Care Committee endorse Councillor Burke's recommendation that the City develop a wildlife strategy. CARRIED B. Recommendation on New Dome Lids which will not be hazardous to Markham Wildlife This item was deferred to the November meeting so that Valerie could speak to the matter. C. Treasurer Report The Animal Care Committee raised \$94.13 in donations at the Thornhill Village Festival.	
7. Adjournment	The Animal Care Committee adjourned at 6:35 p.m.	