

Animal Control Advisory Board Minutes

2016 2nd Qtr. Meeting

Date: June 30th, 2016

Location: City Hall / City Council Chambers

Time: 6:00 PM

The 2016 2nd Qtr Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm.

ROLLCALL

Attending:

Alijah Hunter	Animal Control
Chris Schwanke	City Council (CHAIR)
Rex Bailey	Veterinarian (MC Animal Hospital)
Karen Edwards	Michiana Humane Society

Absent:

Royce Williams	MCPD
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The determination of a quorum was made.

Minutes of the last Animal Board meeting - APPROVED

New Business:

None

Unfinished business:

Dog Walk Event scheduled for September 17th:

Karen Edwards advises that the first annual MCAC “Doggie Strut” at Striebel Pond on Sept. 17th will move forward from 11am-2pm / funds raised from the event will go towards new equipment for MC Animal Control.

Chris Schwanke states that they have 10 vendors in attendance, and some sponsors have been secured and more are being sought by board members. Furthermore, Councilmen Schwanke presented a copy of a Resolution for the City Council to approve and establish a donation fund for the MCACB. The funds will go towards animal education, kennel enhancements, purchase of materials & supplies, and training.

*Resolution is approved by the board

Chris Schwanke also provided a copy of an agreement to be approved by the BOW & Sanitary District because the event is taking place on property owned by the Sanitary District. List of Rules & Restrictions to be created by the board and forwarded as well.

*Agreement is approved by the board

Update on Chicken Ordinance Proposal:

Councilmen Schwanke states after consulting with board members, the public, and members of MCPD the best decision at this time is to leave the ordinance as is for now.

*Discontinuing the Urban Chicken Ordinance approved by the board

Review of the Michigan City Animal Control Activities, 3rd Qtr 2016:

Animal Bites:	6
Neglect Case:	0
Dog Impounds:	25
Cat Impounds:	10
Dogs Transported to LSAS/MHS:	12
Cats Transported to Frieds/Dr Ried:	10
Euthanized:	2 Dogs
Citations Issued:	36

Fund Disbursement Reports:

Per the MOU, reports will be forwarded at the end of every QTR. None provided this Qtr – will be approving 1st & 2nd next Qtr meeting.

Comments from the Public:

None

Comments from the Board:

On June 13th Alijah Hunter responded to a house fire at 1126 Woodlawn / there were previous issues with this home owner running a kennel without a kennel license. Alijah, other tax payers and the Fire Department rescued 7 dogs, removed 3 that were deceased. The home owner arrived and informed that she had 17 dogs in the house prior to the fire.

Alijah expressed how important it is to follow the rules and apply/receive a kennel license and that his training he received through District 1 (FEMA) certainly helped in this circumstance.

The next Board meeting will be announced via e-mail

The Animal Advisory Board formally adjourned

**Chris Schwanke
M. C. City Council**