

Animal Welfare Committee Meeting November 15, 2018, 12-00pm, at the COA/VMCC, 2 Mayflower Street, Provincetown, MA

Attending were: Brec, MacDonald, Brooke, Murphy, Jutsum

Public: Anette Olsen (Volunteer, Friends of Cape Wildlife), Marsha Sirota

Public comments:

Anette has noticed rat poison boxes downtown. She is concerned about other animals eating the poison scattered outside of the boxes, as well as animals eating the poisoned rodents. Elizabeth will draft an article for the Banner to educate the public ie: close holes in houses so they can't nest, cover garbage containers, etc. Also discussed other alternatives to poison, ie Senestec (sterilizes the rodent). The Town

1. The minutes of 10/18/18 were approved.
2. Service animal cards were fine tuned by the disability committee. Elizabeth will make the changes.
3. The DPW met w/PBG re: quiet fireworks. Everyone was against it. Contract for 2019 has already been signed. No one wanted to change. We discussed possibly going to the Select Board. Also, we discussed that this may be a slow campaign process. Educating the public. Jeff to do PSA.
4. Alternate resigned. The position is available.
5. At the previous meeting, the subject of dog feces in the shellfish beds was brought to our attention. As the Shellfish Warden said the water quality in the area of the beds is fine, we decided to take no action at this time on this matter.
6. Coyote killing contest ban is moving slowly through the legal process.
7. Again, it was brought up that we have no representative from the Town as our liaison.
8. Again, doggie dining was brought up, specifically lack of enforcement of the by-law.

Next Meeting: December 20, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 12:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sherry Brec
Clerk pro tempore