6TH REPORT OF THE

ANIMAL WELFARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on May 1, 2014, commencing at 5:04 p.m.

PRESENT: V. Van Linden (Chair), C. Dutton, E. Gerrow, J. Lalonde, M. Puzanov, S. C. Rans, G. Sturm and M. Warder and B. Mercier (Secretary).


I YOUR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS:

Seeking a Humane Beaver/ Wildlife Policy

1. (B, 4) That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to report to the appropriate standing committee with respect to:
   a) the feasibility of the City implementing a humane wildlife management policy, such that lethal actions are considered only as a last resort; and,
   b) the background information as to why and when lethal management would be used without prior consideration or attempts of non-lethal options;

   it being noted that the AWAC appointed S. Rans to speak to this recommendation when it is considered by the Community and Protective Services Committee at their meeting to be held on May 12, 2014;

   it being further noted that the AWAC reviewed and received the attached communication from S. Rans, with respect to this matter, and a communication dated April 11, 2014, from J. Woodyer, Chair, Aspen Valley Wildlife Sanctuary, with respect to an offer of assistance for wildlife-conflict issues.

Pet Limit By-law – Additional Regulations

2. (3) That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to consider the attached communication, prepared by the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee, with respect to the proposed Pet Limit By-law.

Role of Advisory Committees

3. (5) That the Civic Administration BE REQUESTED to establish a protocol whereby Advisory Committees receive adequate time and opportunity to provide comment, input and/or advice, prior to Staff recommendations being presented to Standing Committees, release of Requests for Proposals and/or the creation of staff positions which are directly related to the mandates and work of the City’s Advisory Committees.

Improving the Animal Service Model

4. (6, 7) That the attached communication, prepared by the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC), with respect to improving the City of London animal service model, BE RECEIVED for information.

II YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Rabbit Rescue

5. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) heard a verbal delegation from K. MacIntosh, Hoppy Hearts Rabbit Rescue, with respect to rabbits.

Companion Animals

6. (A) That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) discussed actively inviting non-committee members to participate on the Companion Animals Sub-committee; it being noted that C. Dutton volunteered to the Sub-committee.

7. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) noted and filed the following:
   a) (1) the 5th Report of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee from its meeting held on April 3, 2014; and,
   b) (2) a Municipal Council resolution adopted at its meeting held on April 1, 2014, with respect to the 4th Report of the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee.
8. That the Animal Welfare Advisory Committee (AWAC) will hold its next meeting on June 5, 2014.

The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.