

## **Animal Advisory Committee**

**The Animal Advisory Committee met on June 30, 2016 at 5:00pm in the Small Meeting Room at Eastham Town Hall.**

**Chairman Martin Haspel called the meeting to order at 5:10 pm.**

**Attending: Dr. Martin Haspel, Kerry Ann Reid, Joanne Baldauf**

**A motion by Kerry Reid and seconded by Joanne Baldauf to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2016 meeting was approved (2 - 0 1).**

**Old Business: None**

### **New Business:**

**Chairman Haspel noted that since his tenure is over, there will be a vacancy on the committee. He assured the remaining members that he would be available for consultation and that the Search Committee would be in touch with Vice-Chair Reid should a candidate be found. Vice Chair Reid will assume Chairmanship duties and Joanne Baldauf will continue as Clerk and function as Vice-Chair as needed. A motion to affirm the same was made by Joanne Baldauf, seconded by Kerry Reid and approved unanimously.**

### **Administrative matters:**

**The next meeting of the Animal Advisory Committee will be scheduled for September 2016 unless otherwise required.**

**The meeting adjourned by common consent at 5:22pm.**

**Respectfully submitted,**



**Joanne M. Baldauf**

**Clerk**

**Incident #16-9650**

**Summation:**

On July 10, 2016, the owner of a four year old pit bull was walking her dog on Gull Road and pulled to the side to let a golden or labradoodle pass. Her dog began straining to reach the other dog which was 40 to 80 feet away. The owner reached for her dog's collar and lost control of her leash's retractor. The dog raced to the end of the retractable but no contact was made with the oncoming dog. The owner, frightened by the incident, called the dog's foster in Lakeville and ACO Diana Back for guidance.

ACO Back notified the AAC of the incident and asked if our advice could be offered to the owner. Officer Back noted that the dog did not have a current license and that there was no form on file at Town Hall.

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*JMB* On ~~September~~ 11, 2016, I contacted Mary Beth O'Shea at Eastham Town Hall who confirmed that the information was correct.

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*JMB* On ~~September~~ 13, 2016, I contacted Laura Haskew and spoke with her concerning the incident. She has already registered her dog at Town Hall and provided Rabies Certification. Discussion with me confirmed much of the advice given to the owner by ACO Back and the foster (such as to replace the tractable leash, work with a trainer to refocus actions, etc.). Ms. Haskew had already changed her walking route, had made contact with a animal instructor (Matt), and had scheduled a meeting with him for an evaluation. Since she had already worked with Heather Garre (Tail-Waggin' Dog Training) and the animal training person at Nauset Kennels, it was agreed that if her meeting with Matt did not work out that she would contact Heather. Since I did not hear from her again, I can only assume that she was able to progress with her plans.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Joanne M. Baldauf*  
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For the AAC

July 26, 2016