



CITY OF HENDERSONVILLE
ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
HPD Police Headquarters - Training Room | 630 Ashe St. | Hendersonville NC
28792



Thursday, November 18, 2021 – 5:30 PM

AGENDA

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A. Approval of Meeting Minutes of September 16, 2021 - *Caroline Gunther, Chair*

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

5. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. Discuss Levels and Fee's for Penalties

B. Upcoming Retreat Discussion

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

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Regular Meeting
City of Hendersonville
Animal Services Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes | September 16, 2021 – 5:30 p.m.

HPD Police Training Room | 160 6th Ave E. | Hendersonville NC 28792

REMOTE MEETING

1. Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 5:33 p.m. by Caroline Gunther, Chair. Member's present were Caroline Gunther, Chair; Angela Prodrick, Vice Chair; Jean Greeson; Katie Weibel; James Lyon; Robin Grainger. City Staff present were John Connet, COH City Manager; Blair Myhand, HPD Chief of Police; Lew Holloway, COH Community Development Director and Melissa Justus, Secretary.

Henderson County Animal Services Supervisor Joy Edwards also attended the meeting.

Sarah Hoffman joined the meeting at 5:58 p.m.; Raphael Morales arrived at 6:36 p.m. and Jean Greeson arrived at 6:44 p.m. Lew Holloway left the meeting at 6:30 p.m. and Chief Myhand left the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion was made by to approve the agenda.

3. Adoption of 08-16-2021 Meeting Minutes

Committee member Robin Grainger moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2021 meeting. A unanimous vote of the Committee followed.

4. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

5. New Business

The City Code of Ordinances currently prohibits animals at Special Events. Versions of the ordinance prior to early 2020 permitted special event organizers to allow animals. Confusion over which events permitted animals and which did not have been an issue for residents and visitors alike and has presented the Police Department with challenges in enforcement. Additional challenges are presented by the limited ability to question the validity of service animal designations/prohibit service animals at events.

Motion was made by Caroline Gunther, Chair and seconded by James Lyon, Committee Member, to recommend that City Council adopt an Ordinance to amend Chapter 10, of the Code of Ordinances for the City of Hendersonville to remove Section 10-7, Animals at Special Events and leave it up to Special Events Committee to work on policies on pets with recommendations coming from this committee. A unanimous vote by the Committee followed. This committee will work on developing tool kits to be handed out to event organizers.

Currently the Police Department has two Sworn Animal Enforcement Officers. Those officers could be utilized best doing public safety enforcement and not animal enforcement. A Civilian Animal Enforcement position would best serve the community. Manager John Connet stated that we could start with 1–40-hour person first and as the city grows in population possibly increase to 2 Civilian Animal Enforcement Officers. Motion was made by Chair Caroline Gunther recommending moving forward with hiring a Civilian Animal Enforcement Officer while continuing to look at the enforcement level. Committee Member Jean Greeson seconded the motion. A unanimous vote of the Committee followed.

January and February were mentioned as possible months to look at for dates for a retreat. The retreat could be ½ days and via Zoom or in person.

6. Adjourn

There being no further business Committee member James Lyon moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:59 p.m.