

AAC Meeting Notes 2/25/19

**Animal Advisory Committee Minutes**

**Monday February 25, 2019**

City Hall Conference Room-1st Floor

Members Present: Alicia Pensarosa, Beth Klinefelter, Dianne Corliss, Jodi Swenson

City Council Liaison Absent: Jennifer Holmgren

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm

Public Comment:

Hazel Hewitt:

Discussion about current piping plover updates

End of public comment

Discussion about meeting minutes from 1/24/19

Minutes approved with one change and resubmitted

Discussion about Mass Audubon presentation on March 30, 2019

Discussion about how to promote the event

Discussion about refreshments and materials to hand out at the event

Piping plover volunteer plan and training:

Ken's replacement starting soon-ask her to help with volunteer trainings

Go over volunteer guide and have a Q&A session about best practices, etc

Discussion about scheduling platforms for the plover volunteers this season

Discussion about passing off recommendations and volunteer coordination to new conservation agent, Adrienne Lennon-reach out to her to schedule

Discussion about the O&A meeting last week

Alicia Pensarosa presented our recommendations

All voted to pass our ordinances unchanged

Our dog ordinance recommendation was the only one that was questioned

Discussion about City Council meeting on 2/26/19

Short public comment/question regarding clarification about the City Council meeting and public hearing section

Discussion about rodenticides: start with education

Discussion about building raptor boxes as an education event to raise awareness

Discussion about when to hold the event-plan for the summer- have Gary Menin from Raptors are the Solution join us

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Discussion about executive session-want to get clarification from City Clerk regarding how to set up the session (can we schedule via email?)

Discussion about animals getting trapped in Dyke's Pond overflow, when the water is low the animals can't get out

Discussion about scheduling a site visit to take photos before reaching out to DPW with a plan

Discussion about reaching out to MSPCA and Animal League of Boston for reports from when they responded to Dyke's Pond

Meeting adjourned at 7:15pm