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Animal Advisory Committee Minutes

Thursday August 29, 2019

City Hall Conference Room-1st Floor

Members Present: Alicia Pensarosa, Beth Klinefelter, Jennifer Schmorrow, Dianne Corliss

Council Liason Present: Scott Memhard

Meeting called to order at 6:27pm.

Minutes approved from 7/25/19

Discussion about the batting cage nets, Alicia spoke with a member of the board of the Gloucester Little League, Bill Melvin. They have agreed to tie them up when they are done using them at the end of the season

Discussion about Dyke's Pond-likely that Animal Rescue League will not respond anymore Jodi Swenson will send photos from a previous rescue and Alicia Pensarosa will draft an email

Discussion about rodenticides-waiting to hear back from the City about their policy on using rodenticides

Discussion about our raptor event-plan a weekend to build raptor boxes and bring them to the event for kids to decorate with moss, etc.

Build raptor boxes on Friday October 4th and plan to hold the event on October 19th. Invite Gary Menin back to give a presentation, make it a family friendly event

Discussion about obtaining the materials and how many boxes to build-discussion about obtaining the materials at a lower cost

Discussion about piping plover ordinances:

Plover ordinances are on the City Council Consent Agenda on Tuesday September 10th

Sent to O&A on Monday September 16th if it is approved then it will be sent back to City Council on Tuesday September 24th

Public Comment:

Kim Smith: question about the sunset clause

Deborah Cramer: Question about dates to attend to advocate at City Council and O&A

Discussion about her observations of plovers at Wingaersheek this spring

Discussion about our piping plover summary from 2019

Discussion about expanding monitoring on Wingersheek and looking into the association's rules about dogs on Coffin's Beach

Discussion about enforcement this spring on Good Harbor Beach

Discussion about report from Animal Control regarding plover season

Deborah Cramer: discussion about gull harassment

Discussion about updating farm/livestock animal ordinances-put on the agenda for next meeting

Discussion about scheduling a meeting to evaluate plover season from last year and how to plan best for next year

Meeting adjourned.