

Shanahan, Shawn

From: Shanahan, Shawn
Sent: Thursday, September 3, 2020 2:51 PM
To: Ficken, Tyler; Platt, Danielle; Stewart, Janet; Kempenar, Julie; Miller, Molly; Pat Sullivan; Eaton, Quinn; Pence, Rebecca; Kraci, Roxie; Jacott, Travis; Homan, Tricia
Cc: Miller, Molly; Newton, Brian; Ficken, Tyler
Subject: draft report for city council
Attachments: Report for City Council September 8.docx

PLEASE DO NOT REPSOND TO ALL

Good afternoon,

We had three committee members present at the city council meeting and one via zoom on August 25, 2020. If you have not watched it yet, please do take time to watch and listen. I think it is a great teachable moment.

A that meeting the city council approved 8 to 0 for a monthly report from our advisory board.

The executive team met via zoom (WebEx) on August 31st to start a draft update report for them. We are asking for your input. The executive team will be presenting the report at the September 8th meeting (executive team is Roxie, Shawn and Quinn). If you have changes, please let the executive team know.

We will be placing on our agenda, September 16th for someone to take on this responsibility.

Please let me know if you would like to make any changes to the document attached. PLEASE REMEMBER DO NOT RESPOND TO ALL.

Thank you for your continued support and time in this effort.

Shawn Shanahan

① Email sent to advisory committee for input on Report.

② Report

Report for City Council September 8, 2020

A report from the advisory Board

May

Our first meeting was May 20, 2020

This meeting was an opportunity to develop the executive team and learn the process.

We also reviewed the contract and made request of additional documentation that was needed from both the city and DCHS. Both have submitted and complied with request.

At this meeting it was recommended to give 60 days to obtain such items. Therefore no meeting was held in June.

July

July had two meetings July 16th and July 29th

At the July 16th meeting we reviewed items submitted. An email for the group was created to obtain concerns

July 29th meeting a decision was made to break into two sub committees as the review of documents was long, two committees are (contract review committee and investigation, interview and email concern committee).

A request of additional items was made to DCHS (letter attached as well as response from legal)

August

Sub committees were to have met.

Heard concerns from the public

A few things as updates.

The contract subcommittee will have a report for the advisory meeting in September and has met twice.

The investigation subcommittee is meeting this week and should have a report as well.

All members receive an email asking for agenda items to be submitted.

It would be helpful for clarification as noted at city council meeting our role.

Clarification on your time line.

The executive team met Monday August 31 via zoom to draft this update monthly report for you. The report will be sent to all members and then presenting by the executive team at the city council meeting. We will place on our agenda an assigned person to provide you the report at your meetings.

July 17, 2020

Dodge County Humane Society
787 S. Luther Road
Fremont, NE 68025

Re: Animal Control Contract with the City of Fremont

Dear Dodge County Humane Society,

Please produce the following documents:

1. Monthly statistics from September 2017 to the present per the Animal Control Contract including, but not limited to, computer based statistics.
2. All records regarding euthanasia for animals seized under the Animal Control Contract.
3. Current by-laws, including any recent updates
4. List of Dodge County Humane Society Board Members and the duration of time served for each member of the Board.
5. List of dates of Board Meetings and minutes, including any special meetings from September 2017.
6. Any and all documents and communications regarding the dog named "Bessi."
7. Any and all documents and communications between Matti Madison and the DCHS.
8. Any and all documents demonstrating compliance with Chief Elliot's letter of December 17, 2019.

Additionally, there appears to be a discrepancy in dates on the hand written documents provided to Chief Elliot and the DCHS computer generated documents. Please explain the discrepancy.

If you would please provide these documents to the Animal Control Citizens Advisory Board no later than August 17, 2020, that would be appreciated. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,



Shawn Shanahan

Chairman of the Animal Control Citizens Advisory Board

Thank you -

Shawn Shanahan
and Board.

Shanahan, Shawn

From: Ficken, Tyler <Tyler.Ficken@fremontne.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 24, 2020 11:23 AM
To: Shanahan, Shawn
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Letter from SidnerLaw
Attachments: scan_fickent_2020-08-24-10-53-30.pdf

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Shawn,

I have attached a letter to you from SidnerLaw. Please let me know how you would like to handle correspondence like this in the future. Would you like me to continue to open and scan to you? Or send to Roxie?

Thank you,

Tyler Ficken

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August 21, 2020

Shawn Shanahan, Chairman
Animal Control Citizens Advisory Board
c/o City of Fremont
400 E. Military Ave.
Fremont, NE 68025

Dear Shawn:

I received your letter in the latter part of July requesting documentation.

I have been gone, and so some of this stuff just did not get put together.

I do not have a copy of what you referred to as Chief Elliott's letter of December 17, 2019.
Would you forward that to me.

Very truly yours,

SIDNERLAW



Thomas B. Thomsen

TBT/lkm



Advisory Committee Update

on breaches found in the contract
between the City of Fremont and the
DCHS.

September 01/6, 2020

My name is Tricia Homan. I am a resident of Fremont who was asked to serve on a committee and report back any findings to the City Council. In these next few pages you will see what I believe to be breaches in the contract by DCHS between the City of Fremont and DCHS with regard to the animal control contract. The report I am about to provide is best presented using the flow of the contract.

Duties of DCHS (Page 2, A)

In carrying out the terms of this contract, DCHS agrees to provide the following services:

“To furnish a monthly report of it's activities to the Chief of Police of the City of Fremont. This report will include “Tracking” stats in regards to the number of animals Entering and exiting the facility, euthanasia's and reason for the action including “Intakes and dispositions” as well as microchipping records.”

Breach of contract:

Monthly Statistic Reports were viewed all the way back to November of 2014. Each report showed inconsistencies in numbers of animals coming and going from DCHS. Computer generated reports did not match up with the numbers on thehand written report. (see exhibit 2A) Euthunasia's are not listed with reason for action including “intakes and dispositions” as well as microchipping records. Advisory Committee asked DCHS for records of euthanasia's, that information was not provided. During the August Advisory committee meeting Arlington Pet Hospital Dr. Grant Little appeared before us to speak on behalf of DCHS and at that time was questioned as to how many animals did he estimate they had already euthanized for DCHS in 2020, he reported five or six euthanasias were done for DCHS 2020 yet zero have been listed on the monthly reports (see EXH 5, #2). In September 2014 Petpoint Animal Management Software was implemented for recordkeeping and to track animals in the care of DCHS with extensive information to include a photograph of every stray or surrendered animal which would then link to the DCHS Facebook page, this is no longer being utilized.

Duties of DCHS (Page 2,C)

“To act as pound master and to carry out the duties provided under the Fremont Municipal Code, or as hereinafter amended, and, within its authority, to enforce all Laws, City ordinances, and rules and regulations of the City of Fremont and the State of Nebraska, relating to the control of animals, both domestic and wild, except animals considered vermin such as rats or mice, within the city limits and to utilize the assistance of the Fremont Police Department in the enforcement of the above laws.”

Breach of contract:

Citizen called about a Possum in his backyard, called DCHS to come and get it and they refused. Email from Chief Elliott confirming this. (see exhibit 2c #1) Citizen called DCHS on a dog complaint, she was told to call Fremont PD, Fremont PD in return made contact with DCHS to handle the call. (see exhibit 2c #2)

From: Elliott, Jeff
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 4:17 PM
To: Newton, Brian; Wimer, Shane
Subject: RE: DCHS complaint 9/11/18

DCHS did refuse to go out.
I called them and informed them they are required by contract to handle it, they said they would.
I have talked to Mr. Anderson and told him they should be out tonight and if they don't come out to call me back.
Jeff

From: White, Robin
Sent: Tuesday, September 11, 2018 3:33 PM
To: Elliott, Jeff ; Newton, Brian ; Wimer, Shane
Subject: DCHS complaint 9/11/18

402-727-6670 George Anderson 1335 North Monroe telephoned to complain that there is a possum in the back yard that is trapped in a squirrel feeder. He stated that he telephoned DCHS and they refused to come and get it.

Respectfully,

Robin



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Chief Elliott

Can you clarify how this caller was handled and whether DCHS is or is not picking up or taking animals.

From: FurEver Home, Inc. <fetchingforeverhomes@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 8:25:29 PM
To: Yerger, Brad; Jacobus, Susan
Subject: Needing clarification

We had a resident contact us ask us to scan a dog for a chip and post as a found stray. As of 8pm Martha, our Executive Director called to follow up with finder to say that while we appreciate finder was willing to hold dog overnight we cautioned there is no proof the dog has a rabies vaccination which would be a health issue if they happened to get bit. Martha further mentioned/suggested that there are always possibilities of worms, fleas etc. And stated if finder called FPD they could meet to take the dog in at DCHS.

Finder then informed Martha that she did call FPD and dispatch informed her that "they were not taking in dogs." I'm emailing to ask for clarification:

1. Is this a miscommunication where FPD meant to say they would not be meeting to help take in the dog? As I understand they are limiting services and this might be one of those services.
2. Or is it that DCHS is not accepting stray animals?

If it is case 1, what is Fremont's contingency plan for stray animals between the hours of 5pm and whatever time DCHS continues animal control the next day?

If it is case 2, what is Fremont's contingency plan for the fact your animal control agency isn't accepting stray animals?

Thank you for your prompt response with regard to this matter since our agency would have appreciated a timely heads up on either case.

Deb Newill
President

CAD Calls By Call Number

CL18009572

Incident ID:

Agency FRPD

Type ANIMAL/DOG AT LARGE

Times

Received	06/18/2018 10:11:00	Create User	Jamie Ferguson
Dispatched			
Arrived			
Cleared	06/18/2018 10:15:55	Primary Unit	

Addresses

Phone

Response Landmark:

Response Address: 1805 N KEENE AV FREMONT NE 68025
 Intersection: FREMONT NE 68025
 Lat. / Long.:
 Location #:

Caller Address: 1805 N KEENE AV FREMONT NE 68025 (712) 212-6654
 Intersection: FREMONT NE 68025 Cell

Report Address: 1724 N SOMERS AV FREMONT NE 68025
 Intersection: FREMONT NE 68025

How Received TELEPHONE MutualAid Disposition

Notes

R/P UPSET THAT THE NEIGHBOR'S DOG AT 1724 SOMERS KEEPS GETTING IN HER YARD. R/P CLAIMED SHE CALLED HUMANE SOCIETY AND THEY TOLD HER TO CALL US.

CONTACT WITH NICK AT HUMANE SOCIETY, HE WILL HANDLE.

INFO TO B1 AS WELL

Caller	Additional Info					
FENDER, KATHY M (712) 212-6654	Race	W	DOB	11/11/1960	Sex	F
	OLN	H13481788	State OLN	NE	Ethnicity	N

Duties of DCHS (Page 2,D)

To furnish services of a shelter, shelter director, and staff to enforce and administer the provisions of the Fremont Municipal Code and Chapter 28, Article 10 of the Statutes of Nebraska.

Breach of contract:

March 2020 a citizen contacted Fremont Police Department on a stray and caller was informed that DCHS was not taking in strays. (see exhibit 2D, #1) Email from Fremont PD in regards to cages full and having to place more than one dog in a kennel, dispatch was advised to get a hold of DCHS to identify the issue and could not get a hold of anyone. Same email included an officer seeing a dead kitten in it's litter box. (see exhibit 2D, #1)

Former employee witnessed a cat needing vet care but was not allowed to call a vet for it. Cat kennel had blood splattered on the sides anytime the cat sneezed or shook its head.

(see exhibit 2D, #2) Cat's placed in cat room for adoption with roundworms, vaccinations being given and not entered right away, animals being switched from not available to available without vaccinations being given or microchipped, Animals turned away when space was available, 2 dogs and 1 cat, Tamar claimed one of the dogs was "to big" and the other "had to many needs". Cat turned away due to it's injured tail. Employees were asked to stop posting animals on social media and to stop updating the website. Some animals that were in intake were never shared to have the chance to be reunited with their family. (see exhibit 2D, #3) Former DCHS employee had taken in a cat that had been adopted out from DCHS and per policy they must take it back in. The cat had an injury and Tamar denied the cat the surgery that was needed per Rohrig Animal Hospital. Owner came in for the ashes of his dog and was given a random bag of ashes. Families denied adoption of animals for knowing past employees.

December 2019 Chief Elliott's directive states that Fremont PD will be notified when an animal is received under the "dog at large" order and a ticket will be written to the owner. On multiple occasions Fremont PD has not been notified to include a dog that has been returned home all summer and not one ticket written on this dog and Tamar had informed FPD during conversation that this same dog had been in there and allowed to go home without a ticket five other times in 2020, yet another citizen get's an at large ticket for her dog being out for the first time in five years of owning the dog. (see email Deb Newill; Exh 2D, #4) It has been brought to the attention of Chief Elliot. (See email from Molly Miller dated August 10, 2020)

From: Bottorff, Kurt
Sent: Sunday, July 15, 2018 11:02 AM
To: Elliott, Jeff
Subject: FW: Humane Society

Chief

You have asked for us to keep you informed on the Humane Society so I had Officer Quandt sent me an email on the below information which I am forwarding to you.

From: Quandt, Brianna
Sent: Saturday, July 14, 2018 10:07 PM
To: Bottorff, Kurt
Subject: Humane Society

Per Lt. Bottorff

I am sending this E-mail in regards to a few things I came across this evening at the Humane Society. Officer Dixon placed a dog at the Humane Society and had to place the dog with another existing dog because the cages were almost full and was holding one open in case more animals were needed placed. He advised to get a hold of the Humane Society to identify the issue. I later had to place two small dogs to fill the all the cages. Dispatch was not able to get a hold of anyone to let know the issue.

Another note..... in one of the kitten kennels there was a dead kitten in its litter box. I do not know if it was sick prior, too hot in there, or what the issue may have been but not being able to get a hold of anyone at the Humane Society.

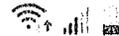
2200 hours dispatch stated they had gotten a hold of the on call # and was sending someone out there. They did not know of the dead kitten prior to Law Enforcement being there.

This is a cat kennel that had a cat in it every time it would shake its head or sneeze blood would splatter the sides again she said they were fine & wouldn't let us call a vet



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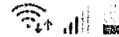


our responsibility and the dog would be the 7/21 and then be placed for adoption. That is someone's personal property, we don't have authority to do that!! When I discussed these issues with Jon he told me to let Tamar make decisions, this was a learning process for her and to let her do the job she was hired for. Shortly after Tamar started, we had a situation with two puppies. Dr. Rohrig's written statement said "to say these dogs are malnourished, is an understatement. This went all the way to Oliver Glasses office. Tamar dismissed the ticket to office, issued for cruelty and neglect before Jon and Jamie, could reach the shelter. After they seen the dogs and their condition and Jamie finding out what Tamar did Jamie told me that was the 1st time she was questioning herself as to why she was on the board!!

-Office Manager. As you all know, this was my position. I have poured my heart and soul into the animals and the shelter. I have spent a lot of time correcting mistakes, coming up with new solutions, learning from experiences and maintaining the office. I have asked Tamar on several occasions to sit down with me and talk about the "old" way of things vs the "new" ways she wanted. I would type something up and she could hand it out to the staff. The shelter has NO guidelines to follow. There is the way that is stated in contracts with the city and law enforcement and then Tamar's way, that's it. I loved my job. I was qualified and dependable. Since Tamar has been there I have been asked to refrain from posting on social media and upkeeping the website. Since I was released from these duties, there have been 2 stray posts (one by me against my duties). There are several animals sitting in intake that were never shared, they never had the chance to be reunited with their family. There has been no adoption celebrations, nothing about upcoming events or



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-Animals. As our contact reads now. We are to hold strays for 72 hours before placing them up for adoption. Holding times were an issues of the past as well and had to be addressed with Kelli several times as well. We currently have animals that have been at the shelter since the beginning/middle of Dec. there was an animal welfare committee meeting last night and thankfully the dogs that have been there the longest (on having a severe case of kennel anxiety and showing signs of aggression) were vaccinated and microchipped yesterday. Hopefully they will be available for adoption today. We have cats that have roundworms that have been placed in the cat room for adoption and the possibility of spreading the worms to all cats as it is highly contagious. Treatment on those specific worms is 3 weeks of treatment. This cat has had 1 dose. Tamar is giving vaccinations and leaving the "animal notes" laying around for days and having kennel staff enter the information. She says it is for training purposes but this is very illegal if you ask any vet. A nurse can not administer a shot and not record it, it is the same for animals. If dates get recorded wrong there will be a lapse in vaccinations. This is not recommended and can potentially be harmful to animals. The one great thing about Tamar is her cleaning ability however the animals get placed second on the priority list when it comes to this. She feels it is more important to clean and re-clean instead of have the staff walk, interact or care for animals. There has also been issues in the past about proper documentation on animals. There was a cat that came into the shelter last month that "had rabies" according to Tamar. She texted the ex-committee and stated she had talked to Dr. Grassmeyer and Dr. Rohrig's office about the cat and both said it had rabies as well. Well upon further



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both said it had rabies as well. Well upon further investigation, the cat was never discussed with either dr. The cat was driven to Lincoln for rabies testing, the results were negative. Martha has expressed concern about the length of time the animals are sitting in the shelter and them not being available. Last Friday Tamar went through and switched ALL animals that were "unavailable" to available even though they were not then she sat and lied to the entire board at the meeting telling everyone they were ready. Martha has print outs confirming that they indeed were never microchipped or vaccinated. Just last week alone Tamar turned away 3 animals. Did we have space? YES. There were 2 dogs and 1 cat. One dog was a bull mastiff and Tamar said was too big and we didn't have space. One was a single mother of 4 kids and the dog was destroying her house and defecating on her bed. She was begging us to take the dog. The dog was losing hair do to stress and Tamar turned her away because the dog had too many needs! The cat, an older gentleman brought in. We were closed at the time it was prior to noon. He called from the parking lot. He said he had found the cat and it had an injured tail. He said he had just spent \$250.00 on it and he could afford anymore. It wasn't even his cat! Tamar turned him away saying we didn't have a vet and we couldn't do anything for it. Not even a half an hour later the owner called looking for it. The cat had an appt that day to get its tail amputated and the cat was missing. The Dodge County Humane Society is there for that reason! There was a dog that came in last week during the night on a drug bust. In the past we would make contact with the jail and ask the owner whom they would like the dog released to. I explained this process to Tamar, she said it wasn't our responsibility and the dog would sit the 72 hours and then be placed for adoption. That is someone's





Deborah Newill <debnewill19@gmail.com>

Worthy incident

1 message

Deborah Newill <debnewill19@gmail.com>
To: tmoss1610@yahoo.com

Sat, Sep 5, 2020 at 11:53 AM

Tricia -

As a member of the animal control advisory committee I wanted to make you aware of an issue that you can feel free to share or use however you see fit. We notified the FPD about a dog that we had picked up and returned home multiple times throughout the summer. I was inquiring with FPD how it was that one owner got ticketed for dog at large when it was the first time their dog had ever gotten loose in five years of owning the dog yet another owner had let their dog run at-large multiple times that was never ticketed.

I forwarded screenshots of the multiple times the dog (and sometimes its sibling) had been found running loose and let them know that we had picked up the dog the night before and had a volunteer meet the police at DCHS to intake the dog as a stray the night before.

I received a phone call later that day from FPD informing me that they acknowledged the dog was taken in at DCHS as a stray but the dog was allowed to go home with owner that morning without a ticket. In the conversation between FPD and DCHS, Exec Dir Reed informed this officer that as a matter of fact the dog had been in there and allowed to go home five other times already in 2020.

This apparently is in direct violation of the policy police chief Elliot put forth back in December to say DCHS is to call FPD and have an officer come write any owner a ticket for at large before the dog can be sent home with owner.

It seems to me that DCHS' responsibility is to pick up strays M-F 8 to 5 and Sat 8-3 (? I have no idea I am unsure if anyone has clarified what hours they are responsible for handling this task) and in addition shelter animals brought in as strays by law enforcement as well. With this said, I find it outside of their list of responsibilities to decide which owners receive an at large ticket and which ones don't. I find this practice very volatile due to everything that has recently gone on this Summer with protests involving discrimination. I would hate to see the city sued based on the accusation that the city's animal control only returns dogs to some owners and not others, or only tickets some owners and not others based on any sort of discrimination practices.

Thanks for your time,

Deb Newill



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August 10, 2020

Animal Control Citizen Advisory Board
c/o City of Fremont
400 East Military
Fremont, NE 68025

RE: Requested information from the City of Fremont

Dear Animal Control Citizen Advisory Board,

The Board asked for the City of Fremont to provide documentation regarding the 24-hour notice of strays. The City was unable to find documents from the 911 Communications/Dispatch call center regarding that information. Should we discover anything subsequent to this letter, we will provide to the Board. It was also requested for information regarding the issuance of citations for "dog at large." Please find attached a spreadsheet indicating citations provided for "dog at large." The Board also requested information held by the City on Bessie the dog. Please see the attached documents regarding calls into the 911 Communications/Dispatch on this matter. At this time, these are the records the City is able to produce.

The Board also requested information on whether the DCHS has complied with Chief Elliot's directive in his December 2019 letter. As of the date of this letter, it has been brought to the attention of the Chief that there may have been an incident when an animal was received under the "dog at large" ordinance on multiple occasions without notification to the Fremont Police Department. This matter has been reviewed to determine what, if any, additional procedures need to be clarified.

Please let me know if you need anything additional.

Sincerely,

Molly J Miller

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EXH 2D # 5
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DATE	CASE NUMBER	CALL FOR SERVICE NUMBER	CITED FOR DOG AT LARGE	COMMENTS
1/19/2017	2017000171	CL17000894	YES	
1/25/2017	2017000248	CL17001237	YES	
2/10/2017	2017000397	CL17002027	YES	
2/16/2017	2017000471	CL17002373	YES	
4/7/2017	2017001002	CL17004951	YES	
4/19/2017	2017001194	CL17006010	YES	
4/26/2017	2017001250	CL17006421	YES	
5/27/2017	2017001625	CL17008369	NO	
5/28/2017	2017001632	CL17008393	NO	
5/28/2017	2017001633	CL17008394	YES	
6/4/2017	2017001740	CL17008871	YES	
6/8/2017	2017001797	CL17009129	YES	
6/15/2017	2017001898	CL17009595	YES	
7/24/2017	2017002383	CL17012284	YES	
8/13/2017	2017002580	CL17013409	NO	
8/30/2017	2017002789	CL17014402	NO	CITED FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY/NEGLECT
10/9/2017	2017003341	CL17016804	WARRANT REQ	
10/22/2017	2017003492	CL17017535	NO	CITED FOR VICIOUS DOG
11/5/2017	2017003703	CL17018378	NO	
11/11/2017	2017003771	CL17018663	NO	
11/11/2017	2017003772	CL17018662	NO	CITED FOR ANIMAL CRUELTY/NEGLECT
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1/29/2018	NO REPORT	CL18001481	NO	
2/17/2018	2018000492	CL18002570	NO	
3/12/2018	2018000723	CL18003805	NO	
4/7/2018	2018001021	CL18005243	NO	
4/23/2018	2018001216	CL18006115	YES	
5/1/2018	2018001304	CL18006607	NO	
5/5/2018	2018001342	CL18006825	NO	
5/7/2018	2018001364	CL18006976	NO	
5/11/2018	2018001411	CL18007235	YES	

EXH 21 #2
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6/4/2018	2018001599	CL18008148	YES
6/26/2018	2018001926	CL18010040	YES
7/17/2018	2018002189	CL18011465	YES
7/22/2018	2018002248	CL18011828	YES
8/1/2018	2018002347	CL18012440	YES
8/6/2018	2018002413	CL18012762	NO
8/18/2018	2018002545	CL18013487	YES
9/23/2018	2018003019	CL18015861	YES
9/28/2018	2018003073	CL18016131	YES
9/28/2018	2018003075	CL18016134	YES
10/29/2018	2018003464	CL18017904	YES
11/4/2018	2018003530	CL18018248	YES
12/24/2018	2018004037	CL18020857	YES
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1/24/2019	2019000206	CL19001053	NO
2/3/2019	2019000324	CL19001752	YES
3/24/2019	2019000797	CL19004778	YES
4/19/2019	2019001124	CL19006408	NO
5/18/2019	2019001427	CL19008089	NO
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Jill Hughson <jillburta@hotmail.com>

Sun 7/5/2020 6:19 PM

To: Getzschman, Scott <Scott.Getzschman@fremontne.gov>; Legband, Mark <Mark.Legband@fremontne.gov>; McClain, Linda <Linda.McClain@fremontne.gov>; Ellis, Glen <Glen.Ellis@fremontne.gov>; Jacobus, Susan <Susan.Jacobus@fremontne.gov>; Kuhns, Michael <Michael.Kuhns@fremontne.gov>; Jensen, Mark <Mark.Jensen@fremontne.gov>; Yerger, Brad <Brad.Yerger@fremontne.gov>; Bechtel, Matthew R. <Matthew.Bechtels@fremontne.gov>;

To whom it may concern,

would like to bring to your attention an incident that happened on Friday July 3, 2020 at about 10 AM.

I found a dog in my garage Friday morning at about 9:00 AM, and had attempted to make contact with the owner and I had also reached out to Furever Homes, Kelly at Furever Homes was the one who reached back out to me and in our conversation I told her I believe the dog belonged to the house on the corner, and I will attempt to locate the owners, she agreed. I then attempted to make contact with the owner or owners, no one answered the door.

I came back home (the dog was my fenced in yard) and was visiting with my next door neighbor Nancy Miles. My other neighbor Roy from across the street had come over and indicated that we should call DHS, I expressed my concern and said I have it handled and I have made other contact at Furever homes.

Tamer Reed with DHS stopped at my house and got out of her van and proceeded to talk to Roy on the side walk, not to me as they are apparently acquaintances. I proceeded to tell her the dog is fine in my yard and I did not call her to come pick up the dog I was trying to get into contact with the owners, and that I had contacted Furever Homes to pick up the dog.

Tamer demeanor changed and she made a comment that she could not let Furever homes take the dog because they just steal dogs. I had repeatedly told Tamer that the dog was just fine in my yard and I had not even called her to come get the dog, and I was trying to get into contact with the owner, she then reached over my fence and put on a slip lead on the dog and then lead it around my fence to my gate at some point the dog got out of her grasp and she then proceeded to open my gate and go into my yard and retrieve the dog and took him out of my yard and put him into the van and took him and told me that the owners can come pick him up from DHS now.

I was in shock that someone would against the homeowners wishes remove an animal from the property.

I would like this to be forwarded on to the advisory board so it can be reviewed and documented.

If you have any questions I can be contacted.

Sincerely

Jill Hughson
1507 N D Street
Fremont Ne 68025
402-719-0858

Sent from [Mail](#) for Windows 10

<https://mail.fremontne.gov/owa/>

7/10/2020

July 8, 2020

On Friday July 3rd I went out on porch to get the paper and Jill our neighbor was out and said look what I found in my garage. There was a dog out in her fenced side yard. She said when she opened her garage he was there. She also said someone last night went by and asked if she had seen a stray dog that one had got loose and she said no. She didn't realize he was in her garage when she shut the door. She showed me the picture on facebook and I recognized the house as the one on the northeast corner of 15th and D. She ^{had} sent a message on facebook and called Forever Home to see if they had the owners number. She went to the house but nobody answered. We stood outside and talked and watched the dog play. He was very friendly and liked lots of petting. When Jill put fresh water in the bowl he was busy playing in the hose. He was having a great time.

Roy from across the street came over to say he had called the humane society about the dog and they would be out to pick him up. We were both upset about that. He didn't realize Jill had it covered. She had talked to Forever Home to see if they had owners number. They didn't and seeing as we were 99% sure we knew where he lived he was going to stay at Jill's while she checked. If he didn't live there they would come out and get him. The humane society showed up and asked

sick up. Jill told her she didn't want her to take him cause she was 99% sure she knew where he lived. For some reason the person from the humane society kept asking Roy where he lived. She then again told Jill she couldn't keep him there cause he wasn't hers and it was illegal for her to keep him there. At the time she got the noose out of her van. She came to Jill's fence and tried to slip noose on dog's neck. He started to get scared and she opened the gate and stepped in to get a hold of noose. At that time a large firework went off and the dog panicked and pulled loose and hid under the trampoline. She came into the yard without permission and took him out and put him in the van and left.

About 5 minutes later the dog's owner was seen out in his yard. Jill went over to see if it was his dog and where it could be found. If the dog would of been left at Jill's house he would of been home in a short time and not of been subjected to 3 days at the humane society where he was probably afraid because he was alone and had to listen to all the fireworks without the comfort of his family.

Thank you,
Nancy Miles

Dodge Assessor Report

<u>Parcel ID</u>	270010682
<u>Links</u>	<u>Photo #1</u>
<u>Area #</u>	
<u>Current Owner</u>	MILES, MERLIN J & NANCY J
<u>Mailing Address</u>	1527 N D ST FREMONT, NE 68025-3468
<u>Situs Address</u>	1527 N D ST
<u>Tax District</u>	001
<u>School District</u>	510 (27-0001 FREMONT)
<u>Legal Description</u>	CHASES N20' LOT 2 & S30' LOT 3 BLK J
<u>Class</u>	Single Family

From: Tamar Reed <tamar.reed.dchs@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, July 6, 2020 2:44 PM
To: Jamie Parsons; Spencer Wilson; Newton, Brian; thomsent@sidnerlaw.com; Scott Getzschman
Subject: 7-3-2020 Incident

In reference to the call at 1507 N D, we received a call from a Mr. Roy Walkinghorst, he advised that there was a stray dog running around their neighborhood and that he currently had a hold of the dog. **He asked us to come and get the dog.** When I arrived at the area of 15/D Roy was standing on the street corner and advised that his neighbor had taken the dog from him and put it into her yard. When I got out of the van, I saw the dog in the fenced area and I asked Roy if the dog was in his yard. He pointed across the street and advised that his house was on the other side. When I approached the female, she stated she thought she knew the owners and had called them. There were firecrackers going off in all areas of the neighborhood and the poor dog was scared to death. When I approached the sidewalk, the dog came right up to the fence. He was whining and shaking. I asked the female, if she was the owner, she advised no. I then asked who the owners were, and **she advised she didn't know.** (When she already had stated she knew who they were and had already contacted them.) She then advised that she had called Furever Homes, and that they were coming to get the dog. I stated that's okay, we can pick up the dog since we had already been called. I then put a slip leash on the dog, and he started walking towards me, when a very large firework exploded and the scared dog took off running and hid under the trampoline. I then stood by the gate, and the dog approached me and I reattached the slip leash, and opened the gate and put the dog into the van. I never once entered her yard, I was only leading the dog with the slip leash on the other side of the fence.

As the ED of DCHS and the animal control contract holder, I made the decision to get the distressed dog out of that environment and away from the fireworks. I did not think the animal should have to endure any more stress from the fireworks, when we had been called to pick it up. When I put the dog into the van, it was completely wet and still shaking from the fireworks. I then told Roy and the female that the owners could contact us, and pick up their dog.



Fwd: Tamar Reed

1 message

Tricia <tmoos1610@yahoo.com>

Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 9:51 AM

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: Jill Hughson <jillburta@hotmail.com>
Date: September 8, 2020 at 9:26:24 AM CDT
To: "tmoos1610@yahoo.com" <tmoos1610@yahoo.com>
Subject: Fwd: Tamar Reed

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Watts, Ed" <Ed.Watts@fremontne.gov>
Date: July 29, 2020 at 2:19:49 PM CDT
To: Jill Hughson <jillburta@hotmail.com>
Subject: Tamar Reed

I have not heard if any decision has been made but I wasn't the primary investigator. When I get a chance to speak to Sgt. Dockerty I will see if he has heard anything.

Ed W.

From: Jill Hughson <jillburta@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 29, 2020 12:56 PM
To: Watts, Ed <Ed.Watts@fremontne.gov>
Subject: RE: Tamar Reed

Good afternoon

Sorry to bug you I was just wondering if there was any update on this, or if I would be notified on the decision that is made?

Thank you

Duties of DCHS (2, E)

“To be the lead agency for animal control services in disaster situations”.

Breach in contract:

An email indicated DCHS had informed citizens February 2020 that should a flood occur they would not be taking in animals. Clarification and alternative plan on this was left with no reply. (See exhibit 2e)

Applicable Law (3, #8)

“Parties in this contract shall confirm to all existing and applicable City ordinances, regulations , state laws, federal laws, and all existing and applicable rules and regulations. Nebraska law will govern the terms and the performances under this contract”.

Breach in contract:

Animals illegally withheld from owners, to include testimony given from an ex-employee provided to City Council previously on a dog named Cinnamon. False reporting on the date DCHS became in possession of Cinnamon. Also to include statements other citizens have given on the treatment they have received when it has come to an animal they own being at DCHS. (see exhibit 3, #1 Maddie Mathews, exhibit 3, #2 Joyce Stafford) To continue to employ individuals who were involved with the theft of a sign and or signs around Fremont from citizens who paid for these signs reading “ Tamar Step Down” A confession was made by one of the teenage boys to the Fremont Police Department naming all involved. A video also was obtained from a citizen showing the same vehicle being used in the sign theft as an employee who works at DCHS. This was also stated in the confession. The citizen weeks later received twelve dollars CASH in an envelope from Victim Services with no explanation as to what it was for or even a case number. Paying in cash with no record of a case number sure makes for bad “record keeping”. (See exhibit 3, #3 Sean Clark)

EXH2e

Deb George

From: Yerger, Brad
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 5:57 PM
To: Elliott, Jeff
Subject: Re: Needing clarification

Thanks for your prompt response and sharing the message sent to Susan.

From: Elliott, Jeff
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 1:32:21 PM
To: Yerger, Brad
Subject: RE: Needing clarification

Brad,
Susan asked earlier. Below is what I wrote back to her.
If there was any screw up, it was with us (the PD). However, I think that ultimately we did the right thing.
Call me anytime and I can explain it better.
Jeff

Susan,
*I believe this may be as situation that a sergeant contacted me at home last night about.
The sergeant called me last night and wanted to know if I would consider suspending meeting people at DCHS to drop off dogs. He said that they were busy and didn't have time to do it. I told him that we would continue to pick up dogs, but I would look at stats in the morning and make a decision. He then informed me that he had told the person already that they couldn't meet them. I told the sergeant to leave the situation alone but for now we would continue to meet people to pick up dogs.
That's part one.
This morning I received an email from the same sergeant that said the dog that he called me about was a dog that had been picked up at Valley View because it was running at large. Apparently the dog has gotten out several times and the HOA as warned the owners that if they didn't keep the dog penned up that they would take the dog. Apparently the dog got loose again and a gal picked up the dog and wanted to drop it off at our humane society. The sergeant found this info after he talked to the gal about why we weren't meeting here at DCHS. When the sergeant heard the story, he said that he would still not meet up with the gal because it wasn't a city issue and he didn't know if the dog had been confiscated legally (both of which I agree with)
So, IF this is the same situation, I would say we initially handled it wrong by not meeting them, but when we found out the rest of the story I agree that we should not have met them and taken the dog in.
Sorry for the long email, but these situations never seem to be short.
Give me a call and I can explain more if you want. Bottom line we are still meeting people at DCHS to put dogs in. (except this one ☺)
Jeff*

From: Yerger, Brad <Brad.Yerger@fremontne.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, March 17, 2020 1:29 PM
To: Elliott, Jeff <Jeff.Elliott@fremontne.gov>
Subject: Fw: Needing clarification

Chief Elliott

Can you clarify how this caller was handled and whether DCHS is or is not picking up or taking animals.

From: FurEver Home, Inc. <fetchingforeverhomes@gmail.com>

Sent: Monday, March 16, 2020 8:25:29 PM

To: Yerger, Brad; Jacobus, Susan

Subject: Needing clarification

We had a resident contact us ask us to scan a dog for a chip and post as a found stray. As of 8pm Martha, our Executive Director called to follow up with finder to say that while we appreciate finder was willing to hold dog overnight we cautioned there is no proof the dog has a rabies vaccination which would be a health issue if they happened to get bit. Martha further mentioned/suggested that there are always possibilities of worms, fleas etc. And stated if finder called FPD they could meet to take the dog in at DCHS.

Finder then informed Martha that she did call FPD and dispatch informed her that "they were not taking in dogs." I'm emailing to ask for clarification:

1. Is this a miscommunication where FPD meant to say they would not be meeting to help take in the dog? As I understand they are limiting services and this might be one of those services.
2. Or is it that DCHS is not accepting stray animals?

If it is case 1, what is Fremont's contingency plan for stray animals between the hours of 5pm and whatever time DCHS continues animal control the next day?

If it is case 2, what is Fremont's contingency plan for the fact your animal control agency isn't accepting stray animals?

Thank you for your prompt response with regard to this matter since our agency would have appreciated a timely heads up on either case.

Deb Newill
President

DCHS

Madison Mathews <madisonmathews97@icloud.com>

Sun 4/26/2020 5:08 PM

To: Getzschman, Scott <Scott.Getzschman@fremontne.gov>; Legband, Mark <Mark.Legband@fremontne.gov>; McClain, Linda <Linda.McClain@fremontne.gov>; Ellis, Glen <Glen.Ellis@fremontne.gov>; Jacobus, Susan <Susan.Jacobus@fremontne.gov>; Kuhns, Michael <Michael.Kuhns@fremontne.gov>; Jensen, Mark <Mark.Jensen@fremontne.gov>; Yerger, Brad <Brad.Yerger@fremontne.gov>; Bechtel, Matthew R. <Matthew.Bechtel@fremontne.gov>;

Dear, City Council

I am writing this email because I believe changes need to be made. I worked at the Dodge County Humane Society from November 2019 to March 2020. While working there I saw many things happen that I did not believe were right. I have 3 dogs of my own and I would hope they never ever end up in a shelter like that. One of the big things that happened while working there was the Cinnamon case. Tamar told the owner multiple times that the dog was not there and the majority of the time she was there. We were told to not tell anyone that she was there. Throughout the time she was there she had to be hidden. We couldn't let her out around any cameras or where people other than workers could see her. She was held in a small kennel and a separate room where there were cameras of proof she was in there. Tamar also had the Arlington Vet Clinic come and treat her so no one else would know she was there. Once during her almost 2 weeks of being there she suddenly disappeared and no one but Tamar knew where she was, then she magically reappeared within the next few days. The entire time she was there no workers wanted anything to do with Cinnamon and we all wanted her to go home where she belonged, but we all had to stay quiet. Another incident that happened was when Buck was on an overnight with the homeless guy Kelly and Tamar went and took the dog back from him. When he arrived back at the shelter she hid him so no one could see him and his name was changed to Chuck. Finally another incident that happened was a cat that was up for adoption named Happy. He was an amazing kitty and he started to get sick over a week. He had terrible breath, wouldn't eat, lethargic and she still refused to take him to the vet and tried Pedialyte to make him feel better. I told her I thought that cat needed to go to the vet and she laughed at my face and said he's fine. The next day we came in and he was dead. Not properly taken care of just like many other animals there. Workers had to tell her multiple times that animals needed to go to the vet before she would do anything about it. Another incident was a dog got lost from its owners and was brought to us and we were about to take the dog to the vet for rabies and he got lost. Tamar looked for him for one day then assumed the owners had the dog back, never followed up or anything. Right before I walked out and quit I went and picked up two dogs running loose and luckily they had tags with their name and number on them so normally you'd call right away and get them back to their owners or at least let their owners know where they were so they stopped worrying, she did not. She said we had to cite them and make sure they had rabies. Which I felt was wrong because I'd want to know if my dogs were safe or not so I saw a facebook post that FurBve homes shared so I messaged the runner of the rescue and told her where they were, the next day I got yelled at for telling anyone we had those dogs. I was embarrassed in front of everyone because I was trying to do the right thing. She continued to yell in my face and called me a liar because I told her she only treats her workers like crap never with any respect. I came home crying more at that job than any other job. I know my animal facts and she made me feel stupid like I know nothing. I could go on and on all day about her. I believe there are many better people out there who would take care of those animals better. Because of her actions, Arlington Vet Clinic is losing clients. Please let me know if you have any questions. I am more than happy to answer any questions to save those animals.

Thank you
Maddy Mathews

**Joyce**

1 message

Tricia <tmoss1610@yahoo.com>

Tue, Sep 8, 2020 at 9:50 AM

My name is Joyce Stafford. I live at 1012 N Hancock st. I moved into my home there January of 2016. I am Gia and Keela's owner. They were mother and daughter. We had Gia since a pup 8 weeks. She had claimed my son Joseph Rojas. She was by his side always. He still talks of their memories together. I never dreamed that moving here would cost my son his pet his best friend. Keela was my dog slept with me every night. These dogs were spoiled pets. They were our family. Since moving here my dogs were a problem for my neighbor who lives directly behind me. I took my dogs out on leashes up until spring when I spent my savings on a privacy fence to insure the safety of my dogs I forgot to mention were pit bulls the breed that gets so much problems. Pitbulls are not vicious and dangerous and neither were my dogs. However like I said my neighbor obviously had a problem with pitbulls. He would take his ridiculous mowers, blowers, and whatever kind of noisy machinery which would drive my dog nuts along our fence line. She was scared of them. Over a period of time she began to try to get to the other side. I don't have dates right off top of my head. I know my 1st phone call was from FPD to my job. My dogs had got out. Of course my dog broke through a picket on the fence. Of course it was a Saturday when I was working which most incidents were. I got home immediately. My 14 yr old had gotten Gia inside my house and was under lock where my children stay while I'm working. Keela however was taken by DCHS. I spoke with officer Butts when I arrived who told me what had happened and explained to me that when he arrived my dog was on the end of my block inside a fenced area playing with a very small dog. She was called by DCHS workers she jumped right over that fence and ran upto them. He said he knew my dog was not vicious as soon as he seen her playing with the very small dog. I would just like to say there are plenty of police records proving the innocence of my animal from the cruel name she was given by my neighbor was my neighborhood scared off my dog o yes of course they were. The guy behind me made sure everyone believed they were vicious he held shovels and bats up like he was going to hit her. This man is not a very nice man. He recently trapped my indoor outdoor cat in a raccoon trap and brought her to my door. I was told I better keep her from his property I said or what you will have her killed like my dog. His words were I don't really care what happens to her. I have fought this man for years there were Muskrats thrown in my yard my dog was getting sick. I don't have proof they were throwing them in my yard nor do I have proof rocks were being thrown over my fence as well the top of our trampoline was covered with them. They were gravel rocks from the alley where my wonderful neighbor lives. My dogs got out a total of 3 times. The last final time Chief Elliot came he yelled at me telling me I was never going to be able to bring home our animals. Both my dogs were in the back of my cousins truck in my driveway where my sister had got them for me once again I came flying from work. I was crying already because I knew they were gonna be taken. They remained in truck in my driveway until I was done with cops. My dogs were brought down from the truck to go on a ride of no return. I was told this was what I had to do very hard for me knowing I had a child inside I had to go break his heart telling him they took his dog away. But what do you do. I was told by Chief Elliot that is was for the best my dogs were going to end up biting someone and it could cost me my home that I have worked hard for just as anyone else. So I let them take my animals away not knowing what I know today. I have since seen a lawyer who told me they never even had the right to take my animals ever. So guess you can imagine how sick I felt considering what lead to my dogs murder. After many months of inhumanly holding my dogs Tamar came up with my dog bit her and I lost my dog. They murdered it I will never believe any different. We fought this woman so many times on placement of my dogs. I recently had the Chief try to tell me we didn't make necessary arrangements for my dogs wrong we tried Tamar put a stop to all exit arrangements we came up with.

Sent from my iPhone

EXH 3 # 2
P3 2



Maybe: Joyce Stafford >



Siri found new contact info

Joyce Stafford +1 (402) 753-7071 add...

iMessage
Today 8:41 AM

My name is Joyce Stafford. I live at 1012 N Hancock st. I moved into my home there January of 2016. I am Gia and Keela's owner. They were mother and daughter. We had Gia since a pup 8 weeks. She had claimed my son Joseph Rojas. She wa... >

Sorry there backwards

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iMessage



EXH #0
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9/8/2020

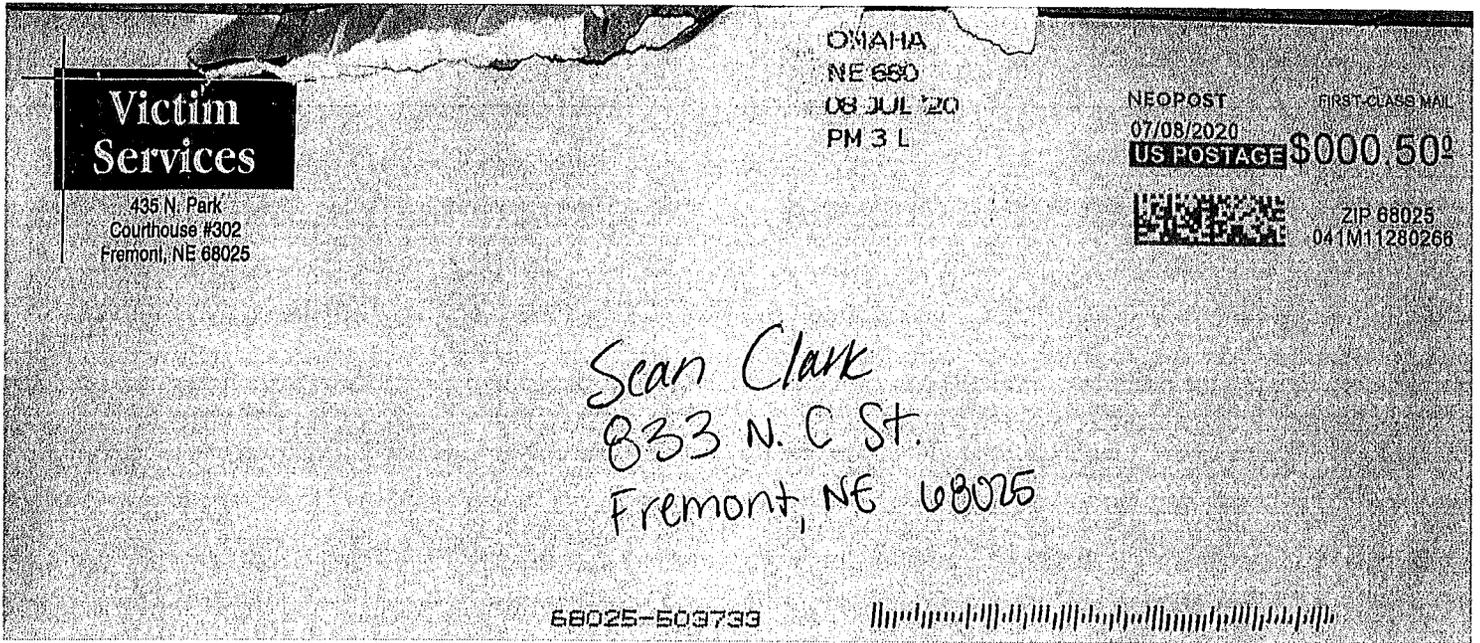
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The screenshot shows an email client interface. At the top, there are browser tabs for 'Tamar sign slohan Color pic is v...', 'mail.google.com', 'Amazon Your Paym...', 'Pinnacle State - Ho...', 'Google', 'Prime Video Accou...', 'Balded HCM', 'Capital One', 'Close', and 'Amazon.com 24V S...'. The email header shows the sender as 'Tyler Hancock <tyler.hancock@fremontre.gov>'. The email body contains three attachments, each with a thumbnail image. Below the attachments, the text reads: 'I received the pictures please keep the video and pictures you have if needed at later date.' The email is dated 'May 14, 2020, 3:29 PM'. The sender's contact information is listed as: 'From: Sean Clark <seanclark85@gmail.com>', 'Sent: Thursday, May 14, 2020 3:21 PM', 'To: Hancock, Tyler <Tyler.Hancock@fremontre.gov>', and 'Subject: Tamar sign slohan Color pic is vehicle parked at DCHS that was sent to me this morning'. The bottom of the screen shows a search bar with the text 'Type here to search' and a system tray with the time '1:31 PM' and date '9/29/2020'.

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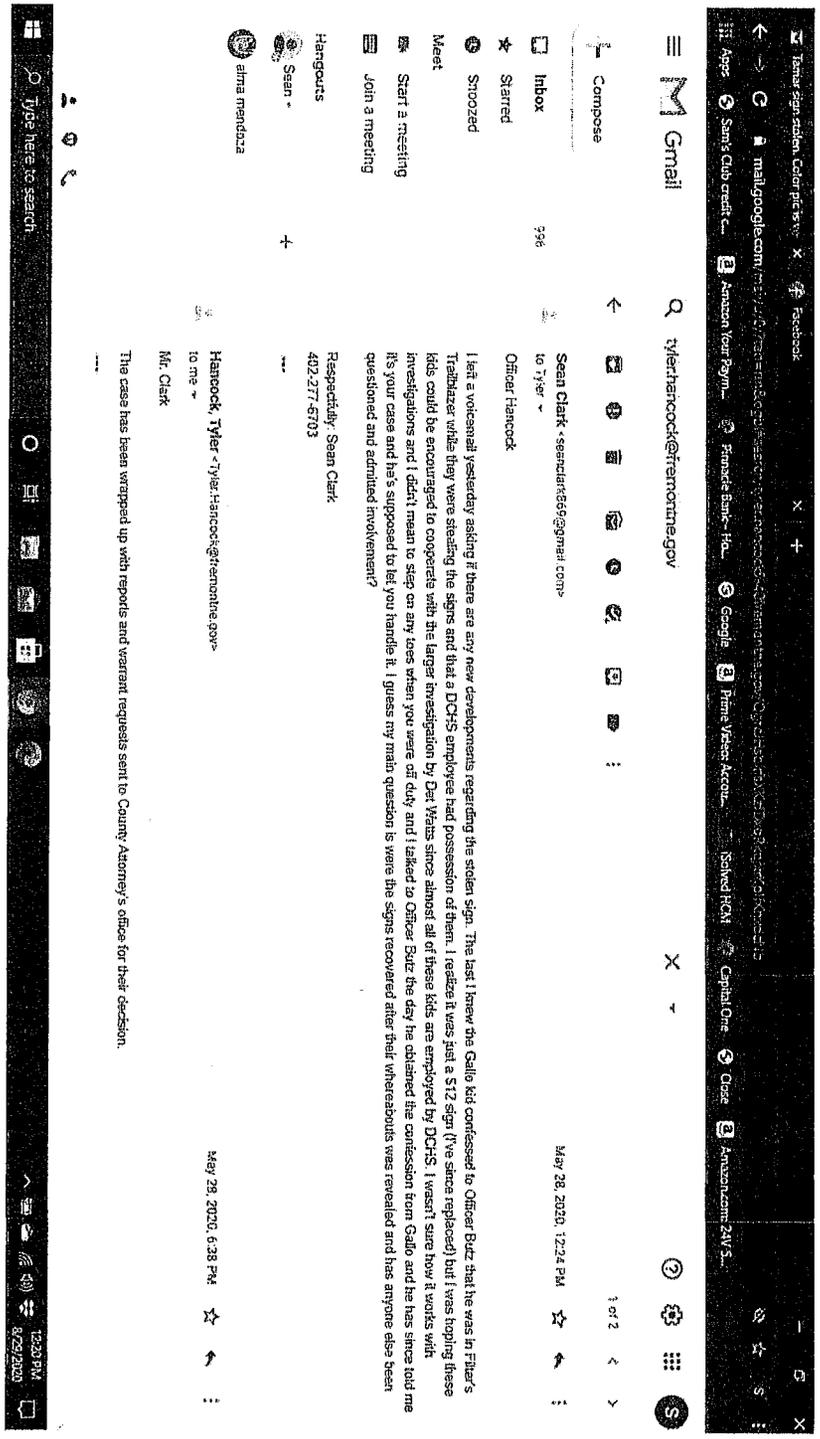


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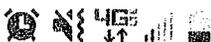
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EXH 3 #3
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10:17



Sean

Active 1...



I called for Elliot and they put Butz on. He said it's being processed for the county attorney and the police clerk prioritizes by severity of the case. Three kids gave statements against the others and none were of any help in the case that Watts is working on. I told him I didn't mean to come off as pushy but it was looking like it was being squashed from the top and he assured me that isn't the case. No signs were recovered



Aa



Exhibit "A" from contract (# 8)

"Services provided to the City of Fremont by the Dodge County Humane Society"

DCHS shall capture, secure, remove, and impound in a humane manner any dog violating any of the provisions of the municipal code. The dogs impounded shall be treated in a human manner and shall be provided with a sufficient supply of food and fresh water each day. Each impounded dog shall be kept and maintained at the pound for a period of not less than three working days excluding holidays and weekends, unless reclaimed earlier by the owner. Notice of impoundment of animals whose owners are not known including significant marks or identifications, shall be available at the Police Department within twenty four hours after impoundment as public notification of such impoundment. If the owner is known, he/she will be notified as soon as possible by the DCCHS.

Breach of Contract:

The Board asked for the City to provide documentation regarding the twenty four hour notice of strays and the city was unable to find any documentation of this.

(see reply from Molly Miller dated August 10, 2020 exhibit 4, #1) See photo of two dogs in the same kennel with no water (see exhibit 4, #2).



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August 10, 2020

Animal Control Citizen Advisory Board
c/o City of Fremont
400 East Military
Fremont, NE 68025

RE: Requested information from the City of Fremont

Dear Animal Control Citizen Advisory Board,

The Board asked for the City of Fremont to provide documentation regarding the 24 hour notice of strays. The City was unable to find documents from the 911 Communications/Dispatch call center regarding that information. Should we discovery anything subsequent to this letter, we will provide to the Board. It was also requested for information regarding the issuance of citations for "dog at large." Please find attached a spreadsheet indicating citations provided for "dog at large." The Board also requested information held by the City on Bessie the dog. Please see the attached documents regarding calls into the 911 Communications/Dispatch on this matter. At this time, these are the records the City is able to produce.

The Board also requested information on whether the DCHS has complied with Chief Elliot's directive in his December 2019 letter. As of the date of this letter, it has been brought to the attention of the Chief that there may have been an incident when an animal was received under the "dog at large" ordinance on multiple occasions without notification to the Fremont Police Department. This matter has been reviewed to determine what, if any, additional procedures need to be clarified.

Please let me know if you need anything additional.

Sincerely,

Molly J Miller

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In closing out my findings in just the short four months I have been on the Advisory Committee I had a chance to read over the "Request for Proposal for Animal Care Services" that DCHS prepared to outline all the services they would provide the community of Fremont. All though this was written in 2014 I would assume it is safe to say that the expectations remain the same. This is what the city expected, this is what was promised to the citizens of Fremont, this is what was to be done to take care of the animals. Right in the proposal it states that a photograph of every stray animal will be taken that comes into the facility. It is then put into Pet Point which is linked to the Facebook Page. It was also stated strays would be posted on the Fremont PD Facebook Page. A quote from the proposal states, "These efforts have been proven to be successful in reuniting pets to their owners." A prime example of how social media is crucial- Furever Home Inc. has taken in 165 strays over the course of these last eight months and only SEVEN have not been returned home and a large part of all of those animals returning home was due to social media and the community sharing these animals (see EXH 5 #1). No social media currently exists for DCHS. Disposition was also written in the proposal to include having a positive working relationship with other area shelters and rescues. On at least two occasion DCHS has taken the opportunity to invite supporters to speak on their behalf at both a city council meeting as well as one of our meetings. Neither time has anyone come forward from either a rescue or shelter with a positive reference for DCHS.

Relating back to EXH 5 #1 with regard to how many stray animals FurEver Home Inc. has assisted in 2020. Their numbers outpace DCHS who holds the contract. Figures are attached for each agency. Between the two agencies, DCHS handled 34% of the stray cases in 2020 thus far, based on both agencies reporting. Based on these figures, the City of Fremont is paying over \$8000.00 per month for DCHS to handle approximately one third of the strays this year. Why is this? Because the residents of your city do not trust DCHS or their director. The public has lost all trust and faith in the agency this city is paying to handle and care for their animals.

I attach for you exhibit 5, number 3. A Facebook post which is one of countless posts and comments of Fremont residents asking people to not bring animals to DCHS.

I also attach for you exhibit 5, numbers 4 and 5. Which relate to two Fremont Tribune articles where Executive Director Reed was interviewed and if you review the statistics provided by her reports against what was stated in these articles. The discrepancies are startling, not to mention both articles discuss and somewhat solicit donations on behalf of DCHS.

Last, exhibit 5 #6 is a request of items our committee has asked for that is dated July 17, 2020. To-date we have not received these items. Which is in direct conflict with the image DCCHS wanted to give at our formation in stating they were eager to cooperate. However if our committee I understand this was not meant to be a final report this evening. However if our committee were to vote today as to whether I feel DCCHS has breached their contract for animal control services with the city. I would vote "YES" they have not only breached the contract, but the faith of Fremont residents.

Tricia Homan
Dodge County Animal Advisory Committee

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Sitting up tonight thinking of how busy things have been for the group this year, and all of the challenges that this year has brought the group. Martha and I were just talking the other morning as to how extra busy it has seemed this year. Most of you that know me, know I use numbers to translate things. So I was looking over vet bills, statistics etc. Nothing really stood out except for one set of numbers, and that was the number of animals (not just dogs) we assisted with this year that were classified as at-risk due to being stray/at large.

January 8; February 7; March 17; April 13; May 29; June 27; July 30 and August was 36 plus 2 bunnies, 169 total. Out of that 169, only 7 went unclaimed. This success rate is mostly thanks to the public for sharing our posts, and communicating to help us find their owners.

If you dont volunteer with us I dont think you will ever truly understand the time commitment that goes into that number. Or the number of animals we take in and adopt out for that matter.

This may not seem like a lot, but add this demand to the hours they already contribute to our adoptables, providing the community with advice, attending events, then add work/family and friends. And yes, it goes in that order for most of us: rescue, work, family.

What might shock you is while Martha and I handle almost all communication directly, two of our volunteers handled almost ALL of the stray calls, chip scans, returns to owner or safety on their own outside of caring for their own personal and family lives, responsibilities, and in addition to the time commitment they already contribute to the day to day of our rescue.

So when someone called or messaged at 10pm at night (or even later), or during dinner, or at 6am or whenever, these two women primarily were the ones to come help as well as be the ones to return to owner (at owner's convenience day or night). On average, each stray is a bare minimum of a 2 hour investment. So this Summer (May through August), was a minimum of a 248 hour contribution on their part in getting lost pets to safety and then back with owners.

Thank you to

Charity Johnson-Weichman

and

Margret Gemar

for the endless work you put in during these past four busy Summer months. Thank you for leaving dinner, breakfast, summer activities or whatever else you were in the middle of to help the lost pets of Fremont/Dodge County.

Thank you to the rest of our group for holding tight during some very packed and busy days and nights managing a very full house at all times. Walking in to do shift never knowing how many there would be from day to day, or even shift to shift for that matter. Thank you for never sacrificing care no matter how full or busy we got.

Last, Thank you to the group who never gets Thanked enough. Our friends and families. The ones who believe in what we do, support the struggles, attend the events and fundraisers with us, understand when we leave dinner, functions, or even just get up from watching a movie or playing a game because rescue doesnt keep a schedule.

Happy Labor Day weekend to our FHI family, and the families & community that support us!

	DCHS	FHI	TOTAL STRAYS	256
JAN	7	8		
FEB	27	7		
MAR	14	17		
APR	10	13		
MAY	4	29		
JUNE	9	27		
JULY	6	30		
AUG	10	38		
	87	169		
PERFORMANCE %	34%	66%		

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of Jan, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	39	37	2
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	4	3	
Seized	17	2	
Stray	5	2	
Return	1	2	
Service Transfer	2	2	
Total In	66	44	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	12	7	
Owner Return	18	2	
Service Transferred	1	2	
Euthanized	2	2	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	31	11	
End of Month Holding	35	33	

Animal Control Calls 76

After Hour Calls 15

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 37

Intake Detail Report

Monday, February 3, 2020

Intake Start Date	Intake End Date	Intake Type	Intake SubType	Species	DOA	Intake Status	Jurisdiction	Injury Cause	Pre-Alerted	Intake Date	Intake Type	Perup
1/17/2020 12:00 AM	1/31/2020 11:59 PM	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All	All
						Completed						

Animal#	Animal Name	Species	Breed	Gender	Color	Danger	Danger Reason	SIN	BY	Total Intakes	Total Unique Animals
ARX	Tag type	Size	Location / Sublocation	Altered						7	7
	Owner/Guardian Surrender									1	1
	Return									17	17
	Seized / Custody									2	2
	Service In									7	7
	Stray										

Total Count: 34

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of FEB, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	39	37	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	9	2	
Seized	12	1	
Stray	20	7	
Return	8	8	
Service Transfer Board	6	8	
Total In	86	55	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	7	2	
Owner Return	20	1	
Service Transferred Board	8	4	
Euthanized	8	8	1 - Cat Died
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	27	8	
End of Month Holding	59	47	

Animal Control Calls 63

After Hour Calls 12

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 22

Intake Detail Report

Print Date: Monday, March 2, 2020

- Animal Intake
- Owner/Guardian Surrender
- Seized / Custody
- Service In
- Stray

Animal#	Animal Name	Species	Breed	Age	Gender	Color	PreAltered	Injured Date	Injury Cause	Jurisdiction																												
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Owner/Guardian Surrender																																						
Seized / Custody																																						
Service In																																						
Stray																																						
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Intake Start Date	2/1/2020 12:00 AM	Jurisdiction	All																																			
Intake End Date	2/29/2020 11:59 PM	Injury Cause	All																																			
Intake Type	All	PreAltered	All																																			
Intake SubType	All	Site Name	All																																			
Species	All	Age Group	All																																			
DOA	All	Animal Tag Type	All																																			
Intake Status	Completed																																					
							Total Intakes:	11	Total Unique Animals:		11																											
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							Total Intakes:	27	Total Unique Animals:		27																											
Total Count:											65																											

Outcome Summary Report

Animal Outcome

Print Date: Monday, March 2, 2020

- Adoption
- Died
- Return to Owner/Guardian
- Service Out

Outcome Start Date	2/1/2020 12:00 AM	Outcome Type	All
Outcome End Date	2/29/2020 11:59 PM	Outcome SubType	All
Species	All	Jurisdiction	All
Age Group	All	Transfer/Out Reason	All
Site	All	Outcome Status	Completed

Animal	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Age	Sex	Alter	Jurisdiction	Outcome Type	Outcome SubType	Outcome By	Recorded By
ABSE	Secondary Breed		Danger						Transfer/Out Reason		
Adoption											
Total Outcomes: 9											
Total Unique Animals: 9											
Died											
Total Outcomes: 1											
Total Unique Animals: 1											
Return to Owner/Guardian											
Total Outcomes: 21											
Total Unique Animals: 20											
Service Out											
Total Outcomes: 4											
Total Unique Animals: 3											
Total Count:											
35											

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of March, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	59	47	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	1	2	
Seized	23	2	
Stray	14	2	
<i>Service</i> Return	1	2	
Transfer	2	2	
Total In	98	47	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	18	6	
Owner Return	20	2	
<i>Service</i> Transferred	4	2	
Euthanized	2	2	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	44	6	
End of Month Holding	62	41	

Animal Control Calls 105

After Hour Calls 24

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 29

Document Map

Intake Detail Report

Print Date Wednesday, April 1, 2020

- Animal Intake
- Owner/Guardian Surrender
- Seized / Custody
- Service In
- Stray

Intake StartDate	Intake EndDate	Intake Type	Intake Sub Type	Species	DOA	Intake Status	Jurisdiction	Injury Cause	Animal Tag Type
3/1/2020 12:00 AM	3/5/2020 11:59 PM	All	Preallered	All		Completed	All		All
		All	Site Name	All			All		All
		All	Age Group	All			All		All
		All	Animal Tag Type	All			All		All

Animal#	Animal Name	Species	Breed	Age	Gender	Color	Preallered	IntakeDate	Intake Type	PerID
ARN	Tag Type	Size	Location / Sublocation	Altered	Danger	Danger Reason	SIN	BY	Subtype	DOA
Owner/Guardian Surrender										
Total Intakes: 1										
Total Intakes: 23										
Seized / Custody										
Total Intakes: 1										
Service In										
Total Intakes: 14										
Stray										
Total Intakes: 14										

Total Count: 39

Outcome Summary Report

Print Date: Wednesday, April 1, 2020

Document Map
 Animal/Outcome
 Adoption
 Return to Owner/Guardian
 Service Out

Animal#	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Age	Sex	Alter	Outcome Type	Outcome SubType	Outcome By	Recorded By	
ASRNE	Secondary/Breed		Danger	Danger Reason			Jurisdiction	Transfer/Out Reason	Outcome DateTime		
							Total Outcomes: 24				
							Total Unique Animals: 24				
							Total Outcomes: 22				
							Total Unique Animals: 19				
							Total Outcomes: 4				
							Total Unique Animals: 4				
							Total Count:				
								Completed			

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of April, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	62	41	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	4	1	
Seized	14	2	
Stray	9	1	
Return	2	2	
Transfer	2	2	
Total In	91	43	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	15	6	
Owner Return	23	2	
Service Transferred	3	2	
Euthanized	2	2	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	41	6	
End of Month Holding	50	37	

Animal Control Calls 106

After Hour Calls 16

Pet Food Pantry Assjstance 23

Intake Detail Report

Print Date: Friday, May 1, 2020

Intake Start Date	Intake End Date	Injury Cause	Jurisdiction
4/1/2020 12:00 AM	4/30/2020 11:59 PM	PreAltered	All
		All	All
		Site Name	All
		Age Group	All
		Animal Tag Type	All
		Completed	All

Animal#	Animal Name	Species	Breed	Age	Gender	Color	PreAltered	Intake Date	Intake Type	ReID
ARK	Tag Type	Sex	Location/Sublocation	Altered	Danger	Danger Reason	SN	By	Subtype	DOA
Owner/Guardian Surrender										
Total Intakes: 5										
Total Unique Animals: 5										
Return										
Total Intakes: 2										
Total Unique Animals: 2										
Seized / Custody										
Total Intakes: 14										
Total Unique Animals: 14										
Stray										
Total Intakes: 10										
Total Unique Animals: 10										

Total Count: 31

Animal Outcome

Adoption
Return to Owner/Guardian
Service Out

Outcome Summary Report

Print Date Friday, May 1, 2020

Outcome StandDate	4/1/2020 12:00 AM	Outcome Type	All
Outcome EndDate	4/30/2020 11:59 PM	Outcome SubType	All
Species	All	Jurisdiction	All
Age Group	All	Transfer/Out Reason	All
Site	All	Outcome Status	Completed

Animal	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Danger	Age	Sex	Alter	Outcome Type	Outcome SubType	Outcome Date/Time	Outcome By	Recorded By
<p>ASRVE Secondary Breed Danger Reason Jurisdiction Transfer/Out Reason Outcome Date/Time</p>												
<p>Adoption Total Outcomes: 21 Total Unique Animals: 20</p>												
<p>Return to Owner/Guardian Total Outcomes: 23 Total Unique Animals: 22</p>												
<p>Service Out Total Outcomes: 3 Total Unique Animals: 3</p>												
Total Count:												47

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of May, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	50	37	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	0	0	
Seized	12	1	
Stray	3	0	
Return	0	1	
Transfer	0	0	
Total In	65	39	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	5	3	
Owner Return	16	0	
Transferred	0	5	
Euthanized	0	0	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	21	10	
End of Month Holding	44	29	

Animal Control Calls 73

After Hour Calls 16

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 18

Outcome Summary Report

Print Date: Monday, June 1, 2020

Document Map
 Animal Outcome
 Adoption
 Return to Owner/Guardian
 Services Out

Animal AR#	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Age	Sex	Alter	Outcome Type	Outcome SubType	Outcome Date/Time	Recorded By
Animal AR#	Secondary Breed	Danger Reason	Jeopardy	Jurisdiction	Transfer/Out Reason	Outcome Status	Completed			
									5/1/2020 12:00 AM	All
									5/31/2020 11:59 PM	All
										All
										All
										All
										Completed
Total Outcomes: 8										Total Unique Animals: 8
Total Outcomes: 18										Total Unique Animals: 18
Total Outcomes: 5										Total Unique Animals: 5
Total Count:										31

Intake Detail Report

Print Date: Monday, June 1, 2020

Animal Intake	Intake Start Date	Jurisdiction	Animal Tag Type
<input type="checkbox"/> Return	5/1/2020 12:00 AM	All	All
<input type="checkbox"/> Seized / Custody	5/31/2020 11:59 PM	All	All
<input type="checkbox"/> Stray		All	All

Animal #	Animal Name	Species	Sex	Age	Gender	Color	Pre-Altered	Intake Date	Intake Type	PetID
ARN	Tag type	Size	Location / Sublocation	Altered	Danger	Danger Reason	SIN	By	Subtype	DOA

Completed

Total Intakes: 1 Total Unique Animals: 1

Total Intakes: 13 Total Unique Animals: 13

Total Intakes: 3 Total Unique Animals: 3

Total Count: 17

- Return
- Seized / Custody
- Stray

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of June, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	44	29	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	3	1	
Seized	16	3	1 - COW
Stray	0	1	
Return	0	2	
Service Transfer	2	1	
Total In	75	35	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	9	1	
Owner Return	19	1	1 - COW
Service Transferred	2	2	
Euthanized	2	2	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	30	2	
End of Month Holding	45	33	0

Animal Control Calls 79

After Hour Calls 16

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 20

Outcome Summary Report

Print Date: Wednesday, July 1, 2020

- Animal Outcome
- Adoption
- Return to Owner/Guardian
- Service Out

Animal#	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Age	Sex	Alter	Outcome Type	Outcome SubType	Outcome By	Recorded By
AR#	Secondary Breed	Danger	Danger Reason	Jurisdiction	Transfer/Out Reason	Outcome Date/Time	Outcome Status	Completed		
							6/1/2020 12:00 AM	All		
							6/30/2020 11:59 PM	All		
								All		
								All		
								All		
							Total Outcomes:	10		
							Total Unique Animals:	10		
							Total Outcomes:	20		
							Total Unique Animals:	19		
							Total Outcomes:	2		
							Total Unique Animals:	2		
							Total Count:		32	

Intake Detail Report

Print Date: Wednesday, July 1, 2020

Animal Intake	Intake Start Date	Intake End Date	Jurisdiction
<input type="checkbox"/> Owner/Guardian Surrender	6/1/2020 12:00 AM	6/30/2020 11:59 PM	All
<input type="checkbox"/> Return			All
<input type="checkbox"/> Seized / Custody			All
<input type="checkbox"/> Service In			All
<input type="checkbox"/> Stray			All

Animal#	Animal Name	Species	Breed	Age	Gender	Color	Pre-Altered	Intake Date	Intake Type	Subtype	By	Intake Cause
ABN	Tag type	Size	Location / Sublocation	Altered	Danger	Danger Reason	Completed					
Owner/Guardian Surrender												
Return												
Seized / Custody												
Service In												
Stray												
Total Intakes: 4									Total Unique Animals: 4			
Total Intakes: 2									Total Unique Animals: 2			
Total Intakes: 19									Total Unique Animals: 19			
Total Intakes: 3									Total Unique Animals: 3			
Total Intakes: 9									Total Unique Animals: 9			

Total Count: 37

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of July, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	45	33	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	2	5	
Seized	15	2	
Stray	4	2	
Return	0	2	
Transfer	6	2	
<i>Service</i> Total In	72	42	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	6	4	
Owner Return	9	2	
<i>Service</i> Transferred	1	2	
Euthanized			
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	16	6	1 - Cat Died
End of Month Holding	56	35	

Animal Control Calls

85

After Hour Calls

10

Pet Food Pantry Assistance

26

Intake Detail Report

Print Date: Monday, August 3, 2020

- Document Map
- Animal Intake
- Owner/Guardian Surrender
- Seized / Custody
- Service In
- Stray

Intake Start Date	Intake End Date	Intake Type	Intake Sub Type	Species	DOA	Intake Status
7/1/2020 12:00 AM	7/31/2020 11:59 PM	All	All	All	All	Completed
Jurisdiction	Injury Cause	PreAltered	Site Name	Age Group	Animal Tag Type	

PreAltered	S/N	By	Intake Date	Intake Type	Subtype	PerID
Total Intakes: 7	Total Intakes: 17	Total Intakes: 6	Total Intakes: 6	Total Unique Animals: 7	Total Unique Animals: 17	Total Unique Animals: 6
Total Intakes: 6	Total Unique Animals: 6	Total Unique Animals: 6	Total Unique Animals: 6			

Total Count: 36

Outcome Summary Report

Print Date Monday, August 3, 2020

Outcome Type	7/1/2020 12:00 AM	All
Outcome SubType	7/31/2020 11:59 PM	All
Jurisdiction	All	All
Transfer/Out Reason	All	All
Outcome Status	All	Completed

Animal#	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Age	Sex	Alter	Outcome Type	Outcome SubType	Outcome By	Recorded By
ARN#	Secondary Breed	Danger	Danger Reason	Transfer/Out Reason						
Adoption										
Total Outcomes: 10										
Died										
Total Outcomes: 1										
Return to Owner/Guardian										
Total Outcomes: 9										
Service Out										
Total Outcomes: 3										
Total Count:										
										23

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of Aug, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	56	35	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	5	0	
Seized	17	0	
Stray	4	6	
Return	0	0	
Transfer	0	0	
Total In	26	6	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	6	5	
Owner Return	22	0	
Transferred	0	0	
Euthanized	0	0	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	28	5	
End of Month Holding	54	36	

Animal Control Calls 86

After Hour Calls 14

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 34

Intake Detail Report

- Animal Intake
- Owner/Guardian Surrender
- Seized / Custody
- Stray

Animal#	Animal Name	Species	Breed	Age	Gender	Color	PreAltered	IntakeDate	Injury Cause	Jurisdiction						
Tag Type	Size	Location / Sublocation	Altered	Danger	Danger Reason	SIN	By	Subtype	DOA	Animal Tag Type						
Owner/Guardian Surrender																
Seized / Custody																
Stray																
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Total Intakes: 17	Total Unique Animals: 16															
Total Intakes: 10	Total Unique Animals: 10															

Total Count: 32

Outcome Summary Report

Print Date Tuesday, September 1, 2020

- AnimalOutcome
- Adoption
- Return to Owner/Guardian

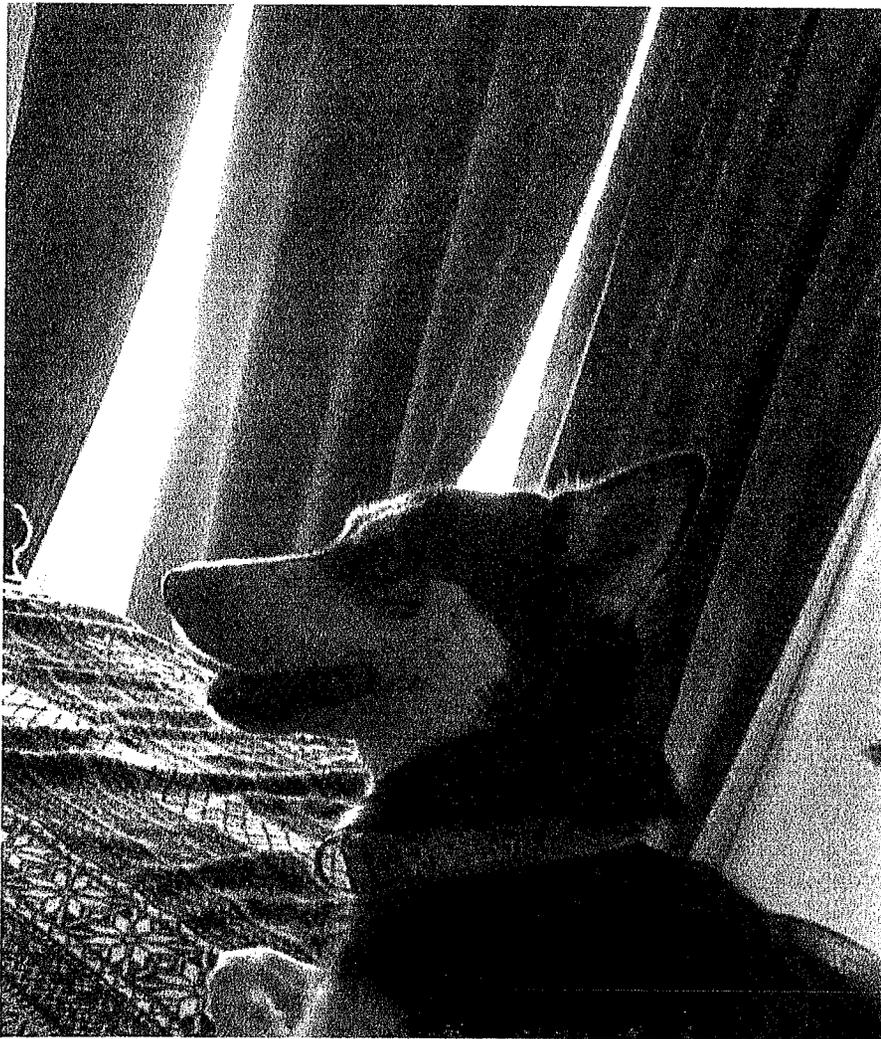
Outcome StartDate	8/1/2020 12:00 AM	Outcome Type	All
Outcome EndDate	8/31/2020 11:59 PM	Outcome SubType	All
Species	All	Justification	All
Age Group	All	Transfer/Out Reason	All
Site	All	Outcome Status	Completed

Animal#	Name	Species	Primary Breed	Danger	Age	Sex	Alter	Outcome Type	Justification	Outcome SubType	Transfer/Out Reason	Outcome By	Outcome Date/Time	Recorded By
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adoption														
Total Outcomes: 11														
Total Unique Animals: 11														
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Return to Owner/Guardian														
Total Outcomes: 22														
Total Unique Animals: 21														
Total Count: 33														

<  **Fremont Ne Missing Pets/Love Ones** ...
Chris M Wolfe · · 16h · 🌐

Update she's back home safe

My 7 year old let Athena outside n I tried driving after her but she got to far behind a building she wouldn't come back if anyone sees her please let me know she is chipped if u can get a hold of me fur ever homes is the one to contact not the humane society 2030 n Keene ave is where she ran from



 Write a comment...  



Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of MARCH, 2019

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	36	30	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	5	0	
Seized	21	0	
Stray	12	0	
Return	2	0	
Serv. Transferred Brd	46	26	
Total In	122	56	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	6	4	
Owner Return	32	0	
Serv. Transferred Brd	7	11	
Euthanized			
Medical		1 - Died	
Court Order			
Behavioral	1		
Space			
Total Out	46	16	
End of Month Holding	76	40	

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Animal Control Calls 73

After Hour Calls 26

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 16

t might not have been Noah's Ark, but the Dodge County Humane Society boarded lots of animals during mid-March flooding.

~~Tamar Reed, executive director, said the local humane society brought in 122 dogs and cats~~ — in addition to the 68 it already had — during that time.

“We did all of that boarding at no charge to any of the pet owners,” Reed said.

All but one of the 122 animals was returned to their owners. The one animal not returned was a cat whose owners moved out of state. The cat was later adopted.

Reed said the Humane Society in Fremont started getting calls on March 14 — the Thursday night before much of the widespread flooding occurred.

Callers wanted to know they could get help with their animals if their families were evacuated or their homes had flood damage.

“So we contacted the Red Cross and the Salvation Army,” she said.

Most churches set up as shelter sites had the Humane Society's contact information as well.

“They could call us at any time and we'd go and meet the owners and talk with them about their animals,” Reed said. “We'd bring the animals back here and get them situated, get them cleaned up — bathed and dried — some of them were wet and very, very dirty from the water.”

The animals were given food and shelter.

And displaced people wanted to spend time with their pets.

“The owners could come and visit any time we were open,” she said.

“The owners could come and walk their dogs, play with their animals. They could come and sit with their cats. Those who had vehicles, they just came and hung out with their pets as much as possible.”

There were lots of animals.

At one point, one large room just off of the office, would house 25 wire kennels — all with small dogs in them.

“We moved everything around,” Reed said. “We had seven rooms total and we had animals from floor to ceiling in some spots during that time.”

Reed said they had a great system of processing animals — getting the needed information of names, their likes and dislikes, and veterinary data on some.

“Our staff worked nonstop for those first three weeks after the flood, because we had so many animals in-house,” she said. “Our entire staff was on overtime — and two of us (she and her daughter Savannah Reed) were on call 24/7. We met the police department and the sheriff’s office down here several times during the middle of the night.”

Police department and sheriff’s office personnel would rescue people and call the Humane Society — either to bring animals to the shelter or have them come and get animals they’d taken out of the water.

“We rescued five dogs from West Military,” Reed said.

She highly commends the staff.

Today, she has a staff of 10, but at that time she had a staff of about six or seven people.

“Our staff worked split shifts for that three weeks,” she said. “They were here every single day. They’d leave for an hour or two, catch a nap and come back in.”

Volunteers would play an important role.

“We probably had 25 to 30 people here every single shift — at least,” she said.

Volunteers walked dogs and helped with the cleaning.

“Everybody pulled together and did amazing things during that time,” Reed said. “We had a huge community response.”

That meant helping each day as dogs were taken out between 8 and 10 a.m., and all kennels cleaned and sanitized. Each day from 3 to 5 p.m., every dog needed to be taken out to be walked, fed and given water. Cat towers were cleaned and sanitized as well.

“We’re very thankful that we had great volunteers,” Reed said. “During the flooding, we had so many volunteers which helped us with all of the animals that we had in-house. Several of them stepped up and said they’d be willing to help foster animals.”

Those volunteers included families and school kids out on spring break or who came after school.

The young volunteers would take dogs into the outside play area.

“They’d play and play and play with them and our dogs just loved it,” she said.

People donated kennels and huge bags of food.

Paul Smoot of the Nebraska State Patrol, working in conjunction with the Dodge County Sheriff's Department, organized a social media drive and bought in food, collars and leashes.

Fremonter Jon Ludvigsen brought in two large bags of dog food and gave a monetary donation.

Others brought in dog food as well and Reed is very grateful.

"We truly appreciated that," she said.

Organizations helped, too. Raising Cane's brought in food to staff members. After flooded roads were reopened, Texas Roadhouse restaurant made a large donation of rolls.

Help for the area's animals continues.

As of this week, the local Humane Society — a no-kill shelter — has 77 cats and dogs. Of those animals, 40 are dogs and about 30 are cats.

"We are very, very full," she said.

Why is that?

"Unfortunately, it gets to be the holiday season and people can't financially take care of their animals," she said. "Right now, we have 20 big dogs that are available for adoption and, normally, we only have 14."

The dog, who's been at the shelter longest, is a wonderful, but kind of temperamental golden Labrador retriever who came in September 2018, she said. Just the right home will need to be found for this dog.

The Humane Society continues to accept monetary donations and those of pet food and cat litter. It uses Purina dog and cat food.

More information can be found by calling 402-721-3282.

Monthly Statistics Report

For the month of March, 2020

Category	Dogs	Cats	Other
Previous Month Holding	59	47	
Into Facility as:			
Owner Surrender	1	0	
Seized	23	0	
Stray	14	0	
Service Return	1	0	
Transfer	0	0	
-Total In	98	47	
Left Facility:			
Adopted	18	6	
Owner Return	22	0	
Service Transferred	4	0	
Euthanized	0	0	
Medical			
Court Order			
Behavioral			
Space			
Total Out	44	6	
End of Month Holding	62	41	

Animal Control Calls 105

After Hour Calls 24

Pet Food Pantry Assistance 29

arl the collie doesn't understand the coronavirus.

And a cat named Squirrel isn't giving it a second thought.

But Tamar Reed, executive director of the Dodge County Humane Society, is seeing an increase in numbers of animals in the Fremont shelter and in numbers of people coming to get supplies from its animal food pantry.

At the same time, it's seeing an increase in numbers of adoptions, something she hopes will continue.

On Monday, Reed said the shelter was housing 46 dogs and 36 cats. Another 13 animals are in foster homes.

Normally, the humane society has stationary kennels for 34 dogs and 26 cats. When the society gets more animals than this, staffers assemble wire cages that they put on tables to help with the overflow.

Reed said because the shelter is so full, it's better if it can provide food or kitty litter to help pet owners keep their animals rather than to have to surrender them.

"If you're willing to keep and take care of your animal, then if we can help you with that, then that's what we'd like to try to do," Reed said. "The best place for these animals is going to be in their homes. They need the love and support of their owners, their caretakers and their people. They're used to that instead of putting them into a strange environment or putting them into a shelter. If we can help with food or litter, please let us help with that."



The shelter has a larger number of animals than normal for various reasons.

“We still have some animals from people impacted by the second round of flooding,” Reed said. “We work very closely with the homeless and domestic violence shelters. We do have some animals we’re boarding for those parties. We’ve had a small surge of people who are not working now, because of the coronavirus, and they’re looking for assistance with their animals.”

Right now, the shelter has more big dogs, including a couple of Labrador retrievers, a purebred Great Pyrenees and a couple of pit bulls.

Why big dogs? This can happen if a person is moving into an apartment, which isn’t ideal for larger animals that need to get out and run, she said.

Besides sheltering surrendered pets, the humane society handles animal control calls for the city. That means it responds to emergency calls such as: vicious dogs or a dog that needs to be picked up for a period of time for quarantine, because it bit someone, or stray dogs that have become bothersome to a resident.

So far this month, the shelter has brought in 23 of these dogs, almost one a day. Some weekends, police bring in between three and five dogs.

“We are still open to the public,” Reed said. “We still have to run every day. We’re here for the animals.”

So people can come to look for a potential pet.

The shelter is open from noon to 5 p.m., Mondays-Fridays and noon to 3 p.m. Sundays. The shelter is cleaned and sanitized in the mornings.

But adoption numbers decrease after the holidays and there were only nine in February 2019.

Reed stresses the need for continued animal adoptions.

“We’re constantly getting animals in and so we need to release and adopt those out so we have the space. We are a no-kill shelter,” she said.

The shelter has 10 employees and is following Centers for Disease Control guidelines. If employees are sick or have a temperature, they’re not to come to the shelter.

Reed said the shelter has great volunteers and in the past has worked well with people needing community service hours, but isn’t incorporating any volunteers at this time. While that’s tough, because the animals love the extra attention, the shelter is working to protect employees from potential exposure.

The shelter is accepting donations of cleaning supplies, cloth towels, old blankets and Purina animal food, along with toys and treats.

It relies heavily on donations.

“We have some awesome donors,” she said.

Those who wish to donate monetarily may do so by mailing a check to the Dodge County Humane Society, 787 S. Luther Road. The shelter also takes donations via credit card over the phone. Would-be donors may contribute online at fremontdchs.com.

Those needing dog or cat food, beds and cat boxes and litter may come to the shelter.

March has been a busy month for the pantry with people, who aren't working right now or who have had their work hours reduced due to the coronavirus, coming in for food and other items.

During a video conference with the City of Fremont, Reed reported that 24 people already had visited the shelter's food pantry in March.

Reed cites a recent case where a young couple figured they'd have to surrender their two cats, because they couldn't afford the food or litter. They called the humane society and Reed told them about the pantry.

"They came in right away and we were able to give them cat food and also dog food for their sister, who had just been laid off from work due to the coronavirus," Reed said.

Reed knows this is a stressful time for many people.

"And these animals provide emotional support and stress relief for their owners," she said. "So we want to do everything we can to help them stay in the home."

For more information, call the Humane Society at 402-721-3282.

EXH 2 #6

July 17, 2020

Dodge County Humane Society
787 S. Luther Road
Fremont, NE 68025

Re: Animal Control Contract with the City of Fremont

Dear Dodge County Humane Society,

Please produce the following documents:

1. Monthly statistics from September 2017 to the present per the Animal Control Contract including, but not limited to, computer based statistics.
2. All records regarding euthanasia for animals seized under the Animal Control Contract.
3. Current by-laws, including any recent updates
4. List of Dodge County Humane Society Board Members and the duration of time served for each member of the Board.
5. List of dates of Board Meetings and minutes, including any special meetings from September 2017.
6. Any and all documents and communications regarding the dog named "Bessi."
7. Any and all documents and communications between Matti Madison and the DCHS.
8. Any and all documents demonstrating compliance with Chief Elliot's letter of December 17, 2019.

Additionally, there appears to be a discrepancy in dates on the hand written documents provided to Chief Elliot and the DCHS computer generated documents. Please explain the discrepancy.

If you would please provide these documents to the Animal Control Citizens Advisory Board no later than August 17, 2020, that would be appreciated. Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Shawn Shanahan
Chairman of the Animal Control Citizens Advisory Board

September 8, 2020

To: Fremont City Council

From: Danielle Platt, Animal Control Citizens Advisory Board

RE: Advisory Control Update

City Council:

Breaches of Contract

Contract Item Exhibit A, number 8.

During the period of January 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020, DCHS monthly reports of 389 strays picked up. The city has confirmed no calls during this time were received to provide significant marks or identification within 24 hours of impoundment.

Contract item 2a.

DCHS is to provide a monthly report to include euthanasia and the reason for the action.

Reported:

2018 2

2019 2

2020 0

Dr. Grant Little with Rohrig Animal Hospital indicated that there had been 5 euthanasia's done in 2020 and that this included only his services, not the services of other staff veterinarians. Total euthanasia cases are unknown at this time by the veterinary office. However, his statements indicate there have been more than zero.

Contract item 16 a.

Financial records were not received showing submission of quarterly progress amounts showing all activities and functions for which funds of the city are received.

An annual budget was received by the City for 2020, however the budget was not signed by anyone to confirm accuracy.

Based on my review of the profit and loss statements I have issues with the following items and would need to request additional documents to support accuracy of my findings to confirm my thoughts.

In 2014, vet expenses were \$36,623.96 and 2019 \$39,607.57

In 2014, wages were \$67,087.22 and in 2019 \$131,481.90

In 2014 Adoption income of \$41,833.35 and in 2019 \$20,114.39

No records are available for number of intakes for 2014 through 2017 to get an accurate number. However, in 2018 the number of intakes were 597, 2019 546 and so far in 2020 there have been 173 for a 6-month period. Multiplied x 2 for the remaining 6 months would equal to 346.

Pet adoptions in 2018 of 203

Pet adoptions in 2019 of 116.

Pet adoptions for the first 6 months of 2020 is 70. Multiplied x 2 for the remaining 6 months would equal 140.

I question how the financial information provided via the profit and loss statements can show that the veterinary expense can be near \$40,000 in 2019 in with an obvious drop in the number of animals taken in and adoptions. There are also significant increases in wages being paid out compared to prior years when less animals would indicate less staff needed to complete duties.

The advisory committee has requested documents and communications from DCHS regarding a dog Bessi, communications and documents between Maddie Mathews and DCHS.

My determination is at this time, there is sufficient evidence to show there have been breaches in the contact between the City of Fremont and Dchs that would void the contract. The City is continuing to put money toward a contract that is no longer performing as it should.

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 projected	Jan-Jun 2020 actual
Expenses								
Vet Care	\$36,623.96	\$30,021.18	\$35,000.00	\$23,209.25	\$38,762.48	\$39,607.57	\$40,532.72	\$20,266.36
Wages	\$67,087.22	\$86,765.22	\$90,000.00	\$154,279.29	\$183,481.90	\$131,771.09	\$155,804.08	\$77,902.04
Income								
Adoptions	41,833.35	41,834.15	42,000.00	27,823.98	20,725.66	20,114.39	23,864.78	11,932.39
# of adoptions					234	128	182	91
# of intakes					597	546	346	
# of strays					203	116	140	70
# Euthanized					2	2	0	

2020 projections based on Jan-Jun 2020 x 2