

To: Mayor and Members of Council

December 20, 2010

Re: Appointment of Pound – Regina Humane Society

Background

The Regina Humane Society is a non-profit organization located north of Regina on Armour Road. The Regina Humane Society offers a variety of services such as impoundment services to communities that do not have a municipal pound.

In the past the Town of White City has always had an agreement for services with the Regina Humane Society. However, in 2010 the agreement was not renewed and therefore the Town of White City did not have an appointed municipal pound.

Discussion

The current Dog Bylaw and the proposed Dog Bylaw, that Council will be considering at this meeting, states that the Regina Humane Society is the municipal pound. In order to have a valid Bylaw and to have a location for a municipal pound, the Town should enter into an agreement with the Regina Humane Society for the services of Impoundment. (Please see attached agreement)

Budget Implications

none

Conclusion

Since the Town of White City does not have an established pound or pound keeper within the Town limits, therefore council should appoint the Regina Humane Society as the municipal pound.

Recommendation

Administration recommends that Council pass the following motion at this meeting:

“THAT the Regina Humane Society be appointed as the Town of White City municipal pound;

AND THAT the Town enter into an agreement with the Regina Humane Society for services.”

Respectfully submitted,



Shauna Bzdel,
Town Manager

November 30, 2010

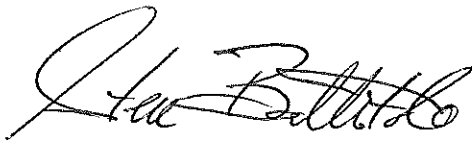
Here is the agreement for impoundment services for the period beginning January 1, 2011 and ending December 31, 2011.

Highlight some of the key points in the agreement:

- Impound fees for stray dogs and cats is **\$80.00** per animal.
- The Society will impound each dog and each cat and will hold the animal, pending claim by its owner for **72 hours**. More valuable animals (purebred) or animals wearing identification will be held for 10 days.

We are requesting that you review this document and, upon acceptance, return one copy of the agreement to the Regina Humane Society.

Please contact me directly should you require any further information on Regina Humane Society Impoundment Services.



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The Regina Humane Society is a registered non-profit organization.
All proceeds to the Society assist animals in need in Regina and surrounding areas. CRA No. 119114064RR0001



Regina
Humane
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AGREEMENT FOR IMPOUNDMENT

The municipality agrees the Regina Humane Society be compensated the sum of \$80.00 per animal to impound stray dogs and cats. Any unpaid impoundment and/or veterinary expenses will be the responsibility of the municipality.

The Regina Humane Society agrees to provide the municipality with a quarterly report detailing animals that have been impounded.

The Regina Humane Society will invoice the municipality quarterly for unpaid impoundment and/or veterinary expenses .

This contract will be in effect from January 1, 2011 to December 31, 2011.

THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS APPLY TO THIS AGREEMENT:

1. The Society will impound each dog and each cat and will hold the animal, pending claim by its owner for 72 hours. (10 days for more valuable animals (purebred) or animals wearing identification).
2. During the period of impoundment, any owner claiming their dog or cat will be required to pay the impoundment fee owed by the municipality. Any outstanding municipal fines (running at large, licenses, etc. will be the municipality's responsibility to collect).
3. Any owner reclaiming their dog or cat will be required to pay any veterinary expenses incurred either by the municipality or the Society. Should the owner refuse to pay, the municipality will pay the Society's veterinary expenses. It will be the municipality's responsibility to collect from the owner.
4. Should the animal be severely injured and suffering, and/or requiring veterinary treatment over \$200.00 or suffering from a severe contagious disease that could endanger the health of other animals in the shelter, the Society reserves the right to euthanize the dog or cat. If the dog or cat were severely injured when brought in by the municipality, it would be advisable for the municipality to seek veterinary advice, regarding possible immediate euthanization before impounding the dog or cat at the shelter.

5. The municipality shall be required to post in a public place a notice indicating any dog or cat that has been brought into the Regina Humane Society for impoundment.
6. Any dog or cat brought into the shelter, whether by employees of or private citizens of a municipality, will be considered to be the responsibility of the municipality. Conversely, the Society will be required to notify the municipality if an animal is brought in by a private citizen so proper notification or posting in the municipality may be implemented.
7. All municipalities will require an after hours contact person for consultation regarding injured animals brought to the Society by the R.C.M.P. or private citizen after normal shelter hours.
8. Following the impoundment period, if the dog /cat has not been claimed by its owner, the animal will then become the property of the Regina Humane Society to be disposed of by adoption, euthanization, etc. at the discretion of the Society. Once the dog becomes the property of the Society, any monies received for the animal will become the property of the Society.
9. Any municipal by-law changes or changes in municipal policy which could result in large numbers (over five) cats or dogs being brought to the shelter would require notification and/or permission from the Society based on the shelters available space.
10. This agreement shall remain in effect till December 31, 2011 .
11. Either party may terminate this agreement with a 30-day notice in writing to the other party.

The following information is required for implementation of this contract:

Name of town or municipal administrator or person acting for the town or municipality

Address of this person or address of town office

Phone number or numbers where this person may be contacted during normal working hours

Name of after hours-contact person in case of an emergency

Phone number of after hours-contact person

We, the undersigned fully understand the terms and intent of the agreement.



Regina Humane Society Director

November 30, 2010

Town or Municipal Administrator

Date