

Shelburne Working Group on Human-Wildlife Interactions Meeting Minutes – January 27, 2022

Present: Don Rendall, Jim White, Lisa Vear, Percy Worrall

Facilitator: Don Rendall

Minutes: Don

1. Motions to approve agenda and previous meeting minutes approved no quorum.
2. Public comment: no public comments.
3. Discussion of policy draft:

Don discussed the current Shelburne Animal Control Ordinance in the wake of previous meeting's decision to add domestic conflict concerns into the ACO so that our Policy draft can focus on wildlife. Walked through the ordinance and discovered language opportunities to utilize in the draft. Also discussed new language that can be incorporated into the ACO to address more humane treatment issues. Legal references were questioned and Persis will follow up. Discussion addressed issue of the animal control officer position even though the ACO states all police officers are animal control. Don will check in with temp police chief.

Discussion followed about the draft policy. Modified some language in the principals and problem-solution categories. Discussion pursued into the conflict-response section.

Discussed South Burlington's use of Heart Wildlife as the processor of incoming calls relating to conflict situations. Lisa will follow up.