

Minutes

Public Works Committee Meeting

Friday, June 14, 2019

2:00pm

The Public Works Committee met on the above date at 2:00pm, at the Heckle Complex, Large Conference Room, 1070 Heckle Boulevard, Rock Hill, SC, with the following members present; Chair, William "Bump" Roddey; council member Britt Blackwell and Council member, Allison Love. Also present were County Manager, Bill Shanahan, Assistant County Manager, David Harmon, County Attorney Michael Kendree, Public Works Director, Eric Rekitt; Public Works Assistant Director, Ryan Blancke, and Animal Control Supervisor, Bobbie Comer.

Meeting was called to order by Chairman, William "Bump" Roddey

Summary and Actions:

Bobbie Comer, Animal Control Supervisor provided Committee members with an overview of the proposed changes to the Animal Control ordinance:

- Additions to definitions:
 - Adequate Shelter: Added in free of urine and fecal matter, shade from May through September, and bedding November through March
 - Livestock: Domesticated equine, bovine, sheep, goats, swine, and fowl.
 - Animal Hoarding:
 - Collecting animals and failing to provide them with human or adequate care
 - Collecting dead animals without proper disposal; or
 - Collecting, housing, or harboring animals in filthy, unsanitary conditions that constitute a health hazard to the animals being kept or to the animals or residents of adjacent property
- Definitions that were adjusted to align with state law or were reworded for enforcement clarification or redundancy between ordinances:
 - Dangerous Animal
 - Public Nuisance
 - Adequate Food
- Modifications to current ordinances:
 - Restraint requirements: adjusted wording that was unclear and outlined types of allowable restraint
 - Adjustment of ordinance fees
 - Running at large now includes livestock

- Additions to ordinances:
 - Violation of the owner surrender program
 - Poisoning animals
 - Disposal of dead animals
 - Animal adoption program: Discretion of Supervisor modified and monitoring

Council member Roddey would like staff to look into Section 55.19 Restraint Requirements more. Mr. Roddey feels that there is a discrepancy in how the 2012 ordinance modifications are being interpreted by staff.

Meeting Adjourned