

**SAN FRANCISCO COMMISSION OF
ANIMAL CONTROL & WELFARE
Meeting Minutes –June 16, 2016**

Annemarie Fortier; Robin Hansen, DVM; Julene Johnson; Davi Lang; Bunny Rosenberg;
Russell Tenofsky; Jane Tobin; Lisa Wayne; Shari O'Neill, DVM; Sergeant Sherry Hicks

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Present: Annemarie Fortier; Robin Hansen, DVM; Davi Lang; Shari O'Neill, DVM;
Bunny Rosenberg; Russell Tenofsky; Jane Tobin;

Absent: Julene Johnson; Lisa Wayne; Sergeant Sherry Hicks; Virginia Donohue (SF
ACC)

2. General Public Comment

None

3. Approval of Draft Minutes from the April 21, 2016 Meeting

Minutes approved

4. Chairperson's report and opening remarks

Commissioner Fortier mentioned a new book published by Bronwen Dicky titled Pit
Bull. At times, the Commission or members of the public bring up the topic of pit bulls,
the characteristics of pit bulls and issues related to the breed. An interesting look at
the history of the dog.

5. Commissioner's reports

None

6. Old Business

A. Commission Appointments [Discussion] [Commissioner Fortier] *Two Commissioners' terms expired on April 30, 2016 - Annemarie Fortier and Nanci Haines. A hearing was held on May 12 to appoint new commissioners. Annemarie Fortier was reappointed. Bunny Rosenberg and Robin Hansen, DVM were confirmed as new Commissioners. They will introduce themselves.*

Commissioner Hansen - Native of Northern California, grew up in Sonoma County. Attended college in California and received veterinary degree from University of Illinois. Currently employed as a mobile vet, providing in-home care for mostly dogs and cats, but sometimes other animals. Enjoys getting to know various areas of the city and working with all types of San Franciscans.

Bunny Rosenberg - Native of Modesto, CA. Has lived in San Francisco for ten years. Volunteered for and later joined as an employee of Muttville senior dog rescue. Bunny is the Volunteer and Foster Care Manager at Muttville. She also works on their Social Media strategy team.

B. Discussion of SFPD shootings of dogs. [Discussion/Action Item] [Commissioners Tenofsky/Lang] *Within the San Francisco Police Department, all dog shootings are investigated as "Officer Involved Discharges" result in an "in house" investigation treated similarly to an accidental discharge. Other municipalities, including LA and San*

Diego, have changed the status of these shootings to "Officer Involved Shootings" which has greatly reduced the frequency of such events.

Continued discussion of SFPD's treatment of dog shootings. Commissioners discussed strategies and next steps required to move forward with research into other municipalities and research into procedures. Police Commission is the authoritative agency that can change city code. There is an office of citizen complaints within the Police Commission. The Commission will reach out to that agency to inquire about procedures. Commissioner Fortier agreed to contact Sergeant Sherri Hicks of SFPD. Commissioner Hansen mentioned a defensive tactics canine training course used in Idaho. Commissioners agreed to continue research and future discussions.

7. General Public Comment

None

8. Items to be put on the Calendar for Future Commission Meetings

None

9. Closing Review of Task Allotments and Next Steps

10. Adjournment at 5:55pm