



STATE OF VERMONT
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Animal Shelter Working Group

APPROVED MINUTES
Thursday, September 3, 2015

Members Present: Rep. John Bartholomew, Joanne Bourbeau, Deb Brown, and Lisa Nelson. All members participated by phone.

Staff Present: Michael O'Grady, Office of Legislative Council. Staff was located in Room 31 of the Vermont State House.

Also Present: Barry Londeree, Vermont State Director of the Humane Society of the United States was on the conference call.

Recording: Digital recording on file with the Office of Legislative Council. Available upon request.

Convene

At 10:30, Rep. Bartholomew convened the meeting via conference call.

Review and Approve Minutes

Michael O'Grady reviewed the draft minutes of the July 30 meeting of the Animal Shelter Working Group (Working Group). Joanne Bourbeau moved to approve the minutes. After a second, the Working Group Approved the July 30 minutes.

Member Identification

As required under the Vermont Open Meeting Law for meetings held electronically, the members of the Animal Shelter Working Group (Working Group) identified themselves.

Review and Markup of Proposed Legislation

Members of the Working Group reviewed amendments to a draft bill regarding the shelter of dogs and cats and prepared in the name of Rep. Bartholomew. (See Doc. # 310403). The Working Group requested edits to the proposed amendments. A new draft of the proposed amendments will be circulated to the Group hopefully by September 15, 2015.

Future Meeting Planning and Discussion

The next meeting of the Working Group was scheduled for September 22, 2015 from 10:30 a.m. until Noon. The September 22 meeting will occur via teleconference. A place where the public may attend the meeting will be posted to the website of Vermont General Assembly at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

Adjournment

At 12:00 p.m. the Working Group adjourned.