

Circle D Animal Policy Committee Meeting (Representing CDCA Circle D Country Acres)

8/9/18

Meeting was called to order 6:29pm by committee chairman Theol Jackman, at 146 N. Buckhorn Dr., Bastrop, Texas.

Present:

Theol Jackman, Carol Shumacher, Suzanne Mohme, Sue Van Wagoner, Jonathan Radcliff, Doug Marousek, Kyra Holm, Terrell Matlock, Anna Corley, Sue Pardue, Donna Nelson, and April Tinajero.

Old Business

Anna talked to Clara Beckett and was told that judges will most likely rule in favor of the property owner for animal infractions in our community because we are a rural area. She was told that "This is not Austin"! Beckett told her that we are to report dog attacks to animal control. Beckett also suggested the CDCA HOA needs to be careful to not set themselves up for a lawsuit.

Jonathan referred to the flow chart. He said that what he has seen over the years was issues with dogs and cats but when he reviewed the flow chart it mentioned pigs. He was under the assumption that there was a restriction of pigs in the community. **April** said that when she bought into the community there was no pig restriction in her closing paperwork. She herself has 3 pigs. **Jonathan** recommended we have a 1 pig limit. After much discussion it was decided that some residence already have more than 1 pig and it would be difficult to enforce the one pig limit.

Suzanne said there is not enough info that there is a problem to make a policy on the restriction on pigs.

Reminder that the animals are for personal use and not for commercial use.

Suzanne – what about 4H and FFA – they raise animals for about 6 months and those animals are sold at auction. It was agreed that we allow the 4H and FFA members to continue to raise their fair animals. **Theol** - If there are complaints about this the Board would need to investigate, review and consider how the restrictions apply or consider changes.

Theol – confirmed that there is no data supporting a problem that is factual in nature. This committee is recommending that there be a tracking system to collect the data needed.

Terrell – has an issue with the confidentiality of the complaint and tracking system.

The committee reviewed the flow chart and draft recommendation. After a combined effort from the group in correcting grammatical errors and a few additions such as "excessive noise", the majority of the committee voted to accept the flow chart and the complaint form and send it to the Board for their approval.

Meeting Adjourned 7:20pm.

Suzanne volunteered to host an "end of the committee term" party in a couple of weeks.

Respectfully Submitted by Sue Van Wagoner, Committee Secretary