

Animal Shelter Advisory Committee

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FROM: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager

MEETING: August 14, 2024

SUBJECT:

Receive a report and discuss the 2024 Paw Pals Academy. (*Staff Contact: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager*)

SUMMARY:

This was the 13th year for youths 11 to 15 to attend a free educational workshop on basic animal care and safety in a fun environment. Twenty (20) spots were available for children attending the academy this year. Students learn about a variety of animals with a hands-on approach.

This year's events include the following courses:

- 1) June 1- Journey of a Rescue Animal. From Veterinary Medical Care to Forever Home
 - Taught by Melissa Stiles, Dr. Nicole Winquest DVM. Students walked through the steps of animals taken into rescue from medical care to finding a new home.
- 2) June 8- Wildlife on the Move.
 - Taught by Eric Brittingham (Mr. B). Mr. B brought snakes, lizards, spiders, and more for the students to interact with and learn their behavior
- 3) June 15- Easy Acres Alpacas
 - Taught by Lori Wroblewski. Mrs. Wroblewski brought several alpacas for the students to groom, feed and learn about the breed.
- 4) June 22 Graduation Question/Answer, Refreshments

RECOMMENDATION:

No action is required of the committee; this item is informational only and for general discussion.

PRIOR ACTION/INPUT (Council, Boards, Citizens):

N/A

REFERENCE:

N/A

FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

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