

Animal Advisory Committee, February 10, 2015

Voted: to Recommend to the Board of Selectmen the Policy on Shelter Veterinarian Use

Rehoboth Policy on Shelter Veterinarian Use

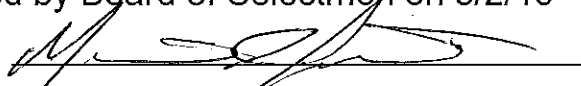
Each companion animal in the shelter shall receive a timely medical evaluation. Medical evaluation of a healthy animal can wait until the end of the 7-day holding period. A sick animal or animal in distress will receive immediate medical attention.

Dogs will be given rabies shots and other recommended vaccinations and tests and will be tested for heartworm and treated if positive. Cats will be given rabies shots and other recommended vaccinations and tests and will be tested for leukemia and feline aids.

The Rehoboth shelter will have a veterinarian (or veterinarian's office) on contract. Proximity, availability to do shelter visits, cost, and knowledge of shelter veterinary practice will all be considered in selecting the veterinarian. The Town may decide to use a bidding process to make the selection. Periodically, the ACO and/or the Town will review contract terms or re-bid the contract.

Approved by Board of Selectmen on 3/2/15

Signed:


Michael R. Costello, Chairman