

Mr. Parsons stated the State statute requires that our Deputy Administrator be a licensed veterinarian, and the County has been operating with a vet of record. He asked Ms. Leman if she had a plan for any type of licensed veterinarian. Ms. Leman stated she would like to use Tom McKenna, as he is in Woodford County, and they have a good working relationship. Discussion followed on whether Mr. McKenna knew of the contract and if he had a price set for services.

Vice Chairman Krug called for Mr. Wettstein to present to the Board.

Mr. Jim Wettstein stated his first thought was Ms. Leman had experience, they were willing to help but they had no experience. He then introduced himself stating he has been licensed through the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) since 1991 and has been working full time for over 20 years, and my sons will be taking over the business. Mr. Wettstein said they have worked with the animal control department in the past and normally deal with nuisance wildlife animals.

Mr. Jeremy Wettstein said he grew up with animals and have been involved with helping people where we can. He said he is open to helping with running and retrieving the animals for Ms. Leman, and she could board them. Mr. Wettstein said there is a pickup call fee for retrieval of animals, but it gets complicated because it is based on the instance. Discussion followed.

Vice Chairman Krug said the Board has had two rather different presentations, and he wants both parties to leave the meeting happy enough to submit a contract proposal.

Mr. Parsons said Mr. Worner and himself discussed the possibility of having the (2) parties work together depending on the situation, and location in the County to get the animals taken care of during the interim. Discussion followed.

Mr. Schertz moved to make Ms. Leman the temporary animal control person at the rate she presented, which was seconded by Mr. Parsons. Mr. Parsons said there needs to be a conversation with Dr. McKenna on whether he is willing to be the vet for the next 30 to 60 days, as well as finding out what the amount is necessary for these services. Discussion followed.

Mr. Meinhold moved to amend the motion to accept Ms. Leman as the temporary animal control person, by striking a 25 percent salary increase from the contract for the subsequent periods and keep the salary at \$5,000, which was seconded by Mr. Parsons. Discussion followed.

Vice Chairman Krug called for a vote on the amendment. Motion carried. Vice Chairman Krug then called for approval of motion as amended. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Jones moved to amend the contract to (60) days with the opportunity to extend additional (30) day periods, as needed, which was seconded by Mr. Barth. Motion carried.

Vice Chairman Krug then called for another vote on the contract as amended. Motion carried.

Mr. Parsons said, thinking long term he felt the County should consider the possibility of having a building, vehicle, ground, and employee(s). He said there are a few options, one would be to add to the campus that houses the EMA building and the Road and Bridge building on the south side of Roanoke. Mr. Parsons said by extending the South property line an additional 130' and the depth of the additional ground would meet up with the eastern fence line of the Road and Bridge building the County would have enough space to put up a building which would house all the animal control for Woodford County. Mr. Parsons said by establishing ourselves in this way the County will be able to get a full grasp of having a dedicated facility the County can lean into when there are things such as court cases with excessive numbers of animals. Discussion followed with this topic being placed on the Public Safety Committee for future discussion, as well as the discussion of putting a request for a proposal for animal control.

Mr. Parsons moved to adjourn until 6:30 P.M. the third Tuesday in May, A.D. 2023 same being the 16th day of said month, which motion was seconded by Mr. Ferris and was unanimously carried.

Vice Chairman Krug announced the Board adjourned at approximately 6:50 PM.

Attest: Dawn L. Kupfer, Woodford County Clerk & Recorder