

South Bend Animal Welfare Commission  
Regular Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2022  
1945 Hours

Council Chambers  
County City Building  
227 West Jefferson Blvd  
South Bend, IN 46601

Animal Welfare Commission Members Present: Dr. Mariah Covey, Pam Wesolowski, and Barb Leavell

City Staff Present: Lindsay Cueller -SBARC Shelter Manager, Tom Panowicz-  
Attorney for SBARC, and Kylie Connell - Attorney for  
AWC

1. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Mariah Covey at 1945 hours.
2. A motion to approve minutes was made by Dr. Covey with a second by Pam Wesolowski.
3. Lindsay Cueller discussed reports from March 2022.
4. Discussion of making changes to how hearings could run in the future.
  - A. How formal should the hearings be was discussed.
  - B. How evidence could be introduced at hearings from both sides.
  - C. Do we need a hearing officer or can the President or Vice President of commission reside over how hearing is conducted.
  - D. More study will be needed regarding this so it will be tabled for another meeting not on a hearing night.
5. Discussion of the letter to the city was discussed. It will need to be put onto the agenda for May.
6. Discussion of how to get a bite report used at hearing since it is covered by Indiana Code, not HIPPA.
7. Next meeting scheduled for May 12, 2022 at 1800 hours.

Motion to adjourn made by Dr. M. Covey  
Seconded by Barb Leavell

Meeting ended at 2100 hours.