



City of South Bend

Animal Welfare Commission

Regular Meeting Minutes – Thursday, January 11, 2024

Location: 4th floor Council Chambers, County-City Building, 227 W. Jefferson Blvd., South Bend, IN 46601

This meeting was live-streamed at the following link: <https://tinyurl.com/2024AWCHybrid>

Animal Welfare Commission Members Present in person: Rebecca Kaiser, Christina Gerken, and Alicia Flores

City staff present: Lindsay Cuellar – SBARC Shelter Manager, Tom Panowicz – Attorney for SBARC, Elizabeth Maradik, Chief Neighborhoods Officer, Adam E. Taylor – Attorney for AWC.

This meeting was called to order by Christina Gerken at 6:46 pm.

1. Roll call taken.
2. Motion made and seconded for approval of Minutes for Executive Session on December 14, 2023, and for Regular Meeting on December 14, 2023. Approved by Commission.
3. Review of Intake, RTO, Transfers, Adoptions, and Euthanasia numbers and received updates from Animal Resource Manager.
4. Counsel Report given, noting that Bellini Judicial Review, Cause No. 71C01-2311-MI-000822 had been dismissed and a re-hearing was scheduled for Bellini and Mangrum in Habitual Animal Offender case 2023-07 for January 25, 2024.
5. Privilege of the floor – no members of the public appeared or spoke.
6. Motion to adjourn passed.

Approved by Secretary: _____

Date: _____

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Dr. Mariah Covey
Mary Brazinsky

Christina Gerken
Alicia Flores

Rebecca Kaiser
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