NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND MARKETS
DIVISION OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY
10B AIRLINE DRIVE, ALBANY, NY 12235

MUNICIPAL SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - DL-90

Rating: **Unsatisfactory30** Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **1/10/25 11:30 am**

FREDONIA ANIMAL HOSPITAL
10049 Rte. 60
FREDONIA NY 14063

Inspector #: **79**
Inspector #: **074**

These are the findings of an inspection of your facility on the date(s) indicated above:

1. Shelter is structurally sound	Yes
2. Housing area and equipment is sanitized regularly	Yes
3. Repairs are done when necessary	Yes
4. Dogs are handled safely	Yes
5. Adequate space is available for all dogs	Yes
6. Light is sufficient for observation	Yes
7. Ventilation is adequate	Yes
8. Drainage is adequate	Yes
9. Temperature extremes are avoided	Yes
10. Clean food and water is available and in ample amount	Yes
11. Veterinary care is provided when necessary	Yes
12. Dogs are euthanized humanely, by authorized personnel	Yes
13. Complete intake and disposition records are maintained for all seized dogs	No

No impoundment fees or license numbers recorded for 5 dogs seized (V of F #27, T of P #4, #5, #8, #11). Missing all redemption information for T of P #11. Missing age for T of P #8.

14. Dogs transferred for purposes of adoption in compliance with Article 7	Yes
15. Redemption period is observed before adoption, euthanasia or transfer	Yes
16. Owners of identified dogs are properly notified	Yes
17. Redeemed dogs are licensed before release	No

License numbers were not recorded for 5 dogs seized (V of F #27, T of P #4, #5, #8, #11).

18. Proper impoundment fees paid before dogs are released	No

No impoundment fees recorded for 5 dogs seized (V of F #27, T of P #4, #5, #8, #11).

19. Written contract or lease with municipality	No

Missing current written contracts with Village of Fredonia and Town of Pomfret.

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
0620	Town of Pomfret
0635	Village of Fredonia

REMARKS:

Records must be complete at the time of inspection. This often is accomplished by communication between the municipal offices, the contracted shelter and the DCO. According to Article 7, Section 113.4, every dog control officer, peace officer, when acting pursuant to his special duties or police officer shall promptly make and maintain a complete record of any seizure and subsequent disposition of any dog. Such record shall include, but not be limited to, a description of the dog (including breed, sex, color, and age), the date and hour of seizure, the official identification number of such dog, if any, the location where seized, the reason for seizure, and the owner's name and address, if known.

According to Article 7, Sections 117.4 and 117.6, the DCO or shelter cannot release an "Article 7" dog unless the owner shows proof of a current license and proof that the correct impoundment fee has been paid; the new license number issued must also be recorded in order to determine compliance at the time of inspection. As discussed at the inspection, even if the dog is harbored in a different municipality or state, the owner must provide proof of licensing before release. A current license from another municipality/state is acceptable. If there is no licensing entity in the municipality where the dog is harbored, then the dog can always be licensed to wherever it is currently staying (e.g. a family member, campground/seasonal or friend's address) or even the town/city hall's address, but it MUST have a current license in order to be released.

Written contracts or lease agreements for shelter services for the Village of Fredonia and Town of Pomfret have not been provided for 2025.

According to Article 7 Section 114. Pounds and shelters,

1. Each town and city, and each village in which licenses are issued shall, and any other village and any county may, establish and maintain a pound or shelter for dogs.

2. In lieu of or in addition to establishing and maintaining such pound or shelter, any town or city, or any village in which licenses are issued shall, and any other village and any county may, contract for pound or shelter services with any other municipality or with any incorporated humane society or similar incorporated dog protective association, or shall establish and maintain, jointly or with one or more other municipalities, a pound or shelter.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Diana Possehl**
TITLE: **Bookkeeper**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 074**
REVIEWED DATE: **01/15/2025**