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: **Satisfactory365** Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **10/25/13 9:10 am**

WEST SENECA ANIMAL SHELTER
582 MINERAL SPRINGS RD
WEST SENECA NY 14224

Inspector #: **56**

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

Southtowns Animal Hospital provides services.

12. Dogs are euthanized humanely, by authorized personnel	Yes

Southtowns Animal Hospital or the SPCA Serving Erie County provides this service.

13. Complete intake and disposition records are maintained for all seized dogs	Yes

Phone calls were made during the inspection in order to complete records. Records should be up to date and accessible upon request.

14. Dogs transferred for purposes of adoption in compliance with Article 7	Yes

Dogs were transferred to the SPCA Serving Erie County and the Niagara County SPCA.

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	Yes
18. Proper impoundment fees paid before dogs are released	Yes

The Town of Tonawanda has set in local law 71-7.a that impoundment fees increase upon subsequent seizure of any dog owned by a person. Three dogs owned by one individual were not charged the proper fees as is written in the law. In a phone call with the Town of Tonawanda DCO, it was learned that this procedure is too complicated for the financial officers involved.

Section 117.4 of Article 7 of NY State Agriculture and Markets Laws provides for the amount of the impoundment fee to be collected and also allows for a municipality to set their own fees through local law or ordinance. The fees that are set by law must be collected. If changes are needed, Section 71-7.d of the Town of Tonawanda law provides that their fee can be changed by resolution of the Town Board.

It is expected that the proper fees will be collected or changes made to the law. If not, a deficiency will be noted at the next inspection of the Town of Tonawanda DCO and/or Town of West Seneca Animal Shelter.

19. Written contract or lease with municipality Yes

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
1423	Town of Tonawanda
1425	Town of West Seneca

REMARKS:

The shelter was physically inspected on 10/4/13 in the prescience of West Seneca Highway employee Ron Stacey. Complete records were not accessible at that time as DCO Jeff Schwing was unavailable.

The shelter was walked through again at the time of inspection of DCO Jeff Schwing on 10/25/13.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Jeff Schwing**
TITLE: **DCO**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 14**
REVIEWED DATE: **10/30/2013**