## 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: Satisfactory91

Purpose: Inspection

DATE/TOA: 10/9/14 9:30 am

ALMOND MUNICIPAL SHELTER 3 MARVIN LANE ALMOND NY 14804 Inspector #: 14

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

Bottom edge of chain link of kennels where it meets the concrete flooring needs to be reinforced with framework instead of relying on cinder blocks and other materials to secure it. Wooden dog houses are showing some wear due to chewing.

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

Shelter has no heat source. Policy is for the DCO to set up crates in the heated highway barn to house dogs in cold, inclement weather. This policy has never been used. DCO has taken dogs to her home during cold, inclement weather which is not authorized unless her facility is inspected and approved as a municipal shelter.

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	Yes
14. Dogs transferred for purposes of adoption in compliance with Article 7	Not Applicable
No transfers. All dogs either redeemed or adopted.	
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

Town has adopted a policy to give owners 30 days after redemption to license their dog. Owner signs a statement agreeing to do such at time of redemption. DCO has not used this policy since last inspection. All dogs have been licensed at time of redemption.

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

Town has adopted the following redemption fee schedule-

1st impoundment-\$10.00; 2nd- if dog is wearing license tag- \$0.00; 3rd-\$20.00; 4th- \$20.00 plus an appearance ticket

Town has not yet passed a local law or ordinance to adopt this schedule according to the DCO

**19.** Written contract or lease with municipality

Yes

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

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Town of Almond

REMARKS:

DCO informed me that plans are to expand the shelter into a portion of a building sitting next to the existing shelter. This will allow an inside area capable of being heated and additional space. This action would greatly improve the Town of Almond's municipal shelter.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: Kristina Hurd TITLE: DCO REVIEWED BY: REVIEWED DATE: 10/16/2014