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: **9/28/18 11:00 am**

LANCASTER DOG CONTROL
525 PAVEMENT RD
LANCASTER NY 14856

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
12. Dogs are euthanized humanely, by authorized personnel	Yes
13. Complete intake and disposition records are maintained for all seized dogs	No
A redemption date was not documented for a Pit Bull mix seized 9/17/17. See "REMARKS",	
14. Dogs transferred for purposes of adoption in compliance with Article 7	Yes
15. Redemption period is observed before adoption, euthanasia or transfer	No
Three dogs were transferred prior to the end of the redemption period. See "REMARKS".	
16. Owners of identified dogs are properly notified	Yes
17. Redeemed dogs are licensed before release	No
Seven dogs were redeemed prior to being licensed. See "REMARKS".	
18. Proper impoundment fees paid before dogs are released	Yes
19. Written contract or lease with municipality	Not Applicable

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
1417	Town of Lancaster

REMARKS:

Regarding "Complete seizure and disposition records are maintained...":

- A Pit Bull mix seized on 9/17/17 had no date of redemption documented. (Records also consisted of a rabies vaccination certificate from a 9/20/17 clinic and a dog license dated 9/21/17. Without the date of redemption on record, it may be that the dog was released to the owner in order for them to procure the vaccine and license, which would be a violation of redemption requirements.)

Regarding the "Redemption period is observed...": Section 13 of Chapter 13 of the Lancaster Town Code sets the redemption period at seven days. The following dogs were transferred prior to the end of the redemption period:

- Incident #2022: seized 6/2/18, transferred 6/7/18
- Incident #0285: seized 7/4/18, transferred 7/9/18
- Incident #0395: seized 9/7/18, transferred 9/12/18

NOTE: A day is defined as a 24 hour time period from midnight to midnight. The dogs were transferred on the fifth day of the redemption period.

Regarding "Redeemed dogs are licensed before release": Section 117.4 of Article 7 states "the dog may be redeemed by its owner, provided such owner produces proof that the dog has been licensed...". The following dogs were released without proof of licensing:

- A Golden seized on 1/5/18 and redeemed on 1/6/18 was licensed on 1/12/18, six days after release to the owner.

- A Lab seized on 1/26/18 and redeemed the same day was licensed on 1/29/18, three days after release to the owner.

- A ShihTzu seized 2/17/18 and redeemed the same day was licensed on 2/22/18, five days after release to the owner.

- The owner of a Boxer mix seized on 5/12/18 and redeemed the same day was given a written warning for "failure to license" on 5/24/18.

- A Bulldog seized on 5/23/18 and redeemed the same day was licensed on 5/31/18, eight days after release to the owner.

- A Pit Bull seized 6/2/18 and redeemed on 6/3/18 was licensed on 6/4/18, the day after release to the owner.

- A Chihuahua seized on 10/15/17 had no license number documented. It was noted that the dog owner resided in the neighboring town.

NOTE: For dog owners not residing in Lancaster, a license is still required and shall be procured from the clerk of the municipality in which they reside.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Elizabeth Bertozzi**
TITLE: **DCO**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 64**
REVIEWED DATE: **10/23/2018**