

MUNICIPAL SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - DL-90

Rating: **Unsatisfactory30**Purpose: **Inspection**DATE/TOA: **5/5/22 12:30 pm**

**FOWLER MUNICIPAL SHELTER
 87 LITTLE YORK ROAD
 GOUVERNEUR NY 13642**

Inspector #: **65**

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

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| 1. Shelter is structurally sound | Yes |
| 2. Housing area and equipment is sanitized regularly | Yes |
| 3. Repairs are done when necessary | No |

The wire crate panel put over the window within the center kennel as a temporary repair measure has been left in place and is now rusted and the wires are bent and/or broken off in the bottom sections within reach of dogs. The wooden window frame has also been damaged and has bare wood exposed along the bottom edge and lower sides.

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| 4. Dogs are handled safely | No |
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The one dog being housed at the time of inspection was found running loose within the facility upon the inspector's arrival. There was splintered wood strewn about inside the building from the dog chewing/clawing on wooden trim & shelving. The dog had also gotten into and chewed up some trash.

The shelter manager stated that the dog had been climbing/jumping out of the 8' kennel on a daily basis since its impoundment 6 days before. He stated that he had notified the town of the problem and risk of injury to the dog, but that no steps had been taken by the town to enclose the top of the kennel as he had requested and that he had been denied permission to transfer the dog to another shelter facility for the remainder of the redemption period.

As the redemption period had expired as of the day of the inspection, ownership was transferred and the dog was removed from the shelter to be transported to a local incorporated rescue immediately following the inspection.

The latch and fencing on the gate of the outdoor exercise pen have been damaged so that dogs may escape or become injured-the inspector advised that it cannot be used until the gate is repaired or replaced.

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

19. Written contract or lease with municipality

Not Applicable

This facility is owned by the municipality

Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
4010	Town of Fowler

REMARKS:

To improve safety, the inspector recommended that the window in the shelter entrance door currently covered with plywood be restored so that anyone entering the building can see if any dog has gotten out of its kennel prior to actually opening the door and be better prepared to prevent a potential bite or escape.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION:

Dan Moyer & Karen

REVIEWED BY:

Inspector #: 58

TITLE: **Shelter Manager & Town Cour**

Simmons

REVIEWED DATE:

05/11/2022