

MUNICIPAL SHELTER INSPECTION REPORT - DL-90

Rating: **Unsatisfactory30**

Purpose: **Inspection**

DATE/TOA: **8/8/22 1:15 pm**

**PICK OF THE LITTER SHELTER
 PATTY BUSH
 1805 ELMWOOD AVENUE EXT
 FALCONER NY 14733**

Inspector #: **074**

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 | 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 | 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 | No |
| <i>Inconsistent fees collected for dogs redeemed 7/7/22 (lab mix license #5078 - \$9), 7/8/22 (pit mix license #2080 - \$19), 7/21/22 (pitbull license #2093 - \$12), 7/20/22 (beagle mix license #5092 - \$10). Fees collected less than statutory rate for lab mix redeemed 7/7/22 license #5078.</i> | |
| 19. Written contract or lease with municipality | No |
| <i>Written contract with City of Jamestown has expired.</i> | |

 Town - City - Village Information for Inspection:

TCV CODE	TCV NAME
0629	City of Jamestown

REMARKS:

According to Article 7 section 117.4 Dog Control, municipal shelters and municipalities may not waive impoundment fees or charge less than the statutory rates for impoundment fees. For all dogs which are seized/picked up for Article 7 reasons, a disposition report must be filled out and an impoundment fee collected even if returning the dog to the owner. All impoundment fees collected must be recorded somewhere within the disposition reports in order to determine this at the time of inspection. The shelter cannot release an "Article 7" dog unless the owner shows proof of current license and proof that the impoundment fee has been paid. According to Article 7 Section 113.4 and 113.5, all records must reflect this information and be verified and included in the disposition report.

Statutory rates for impoundment fees are as follows and may not be less than \$10 for the first impoundment, \$20 for the second impoundment plus \$3 per day after the first 24 hours, and \$30 for third impoundment plus \$3 per day after the first 24 hours, unless there is a written local ordinance stating a specific circumstance. If your municipality chooses to make the fees higher, no local ordinance is necessary - just state it in the monthly board meeting minutes. These impoundment fees count against the owner, not the dog. Therefore, if an owner redeems their two dogs, that would be considered a first and a second offense.

A current written contract or lease agreement for shelter services has not been provided for 2022.

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.

If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call at (518)806-1794 or email me at sarah.mountain@agriculture.ny.gov.

REPRESENTATIVE PRESENT FOR INSPECTION: **Patricia H. Bush**
 TITLE: **Owner**

REVIEWED BY: **Inspector #: 64**
 REVIEWED DATE: **08/10/2022**