

LYNDON DOG POUND 802-626-PAWS



Annual Report 2014

The year started off surprisingly slow with strays (both dogs and cats). I did not have a stray dog come into the pound until the second week of April and only a handful of cats until June! The total number of dogs this year was only 26, down from thirty-seven last year. Cats were at an all time low of 32, down from fifty-four last year. I'm not exactly sure why the numbers have been decreasing year after year but I'm not complaining! Maybe the Town of Lyndon residence deserve a big thank you for being more responsible about their animals. THANK YOU!

This report is written every year in January, the coldest month of the year. I would like to take a minute and talk about dogs that live their lives outside everyday, no matter the weather. Though it is not against the law to leave your dog out 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. . . . I personally don't agree with it. But if it is going to be done, there are some requirements. First you must provide a shelter. The dog house needs to be of an adequate size (not too small nor too big), it should be off the ground, and if a chain or cable is used, it must be at least four times the length of the dog. Especially for the winter months the house should also be insulated (with at least hay or straw) and there should be a flap covering the entrance to keep the wind out. You try living in your winter coat and snow pants in a wooden box at 4 below zero and tell me if your warm? Really, what dog or cat wouldn't want to sleep in a warm house in front of the wood stove or on the big bed if given a chance?

Thank you,

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