

**Animal Control Monthly Report
for April 2019**

Summary

10 calls (5 about crows- 2 cat complaints - 3 dog complaints)

2 cats spayed / neutered.

Received five complaints throughout April about crows, ranging from noise to the destruction by crows to songbirds' nests. No action taken as yet, waiting for change in By-law.

April 12-13

Two complaints regarding cats. [REDACTED] reported a cat problem around Wadena housing. I set two traps and caught two cats one pregnant female one male. Both cats spayed /neutered by Waggin Wheelz vets. Because one cat was pregnant there will be an added cost.

[REDACTED] complained but was reluctant to make an official complaint about stray cats. I am waiting for him to make it official before I lay out traps. Over the next month or two Waggin Wheelz have said they will be busy and short staffed so the number of cats trapped and neutered may drop, but they said they will do their utmost to accommodate.

So far ten cats have been trapped neutered and spayed. Three domestic cats have also been trapped but not spayed or neutered and fostered out after two weeks of not being claimed. To date only one person has ever claimed a lost cat.

April 15

Received a complaint from [REDACTED] about [REDACTED] dogs roaming free. I have video evidence from [REDACTED] showing [REDACTED] dog acting aggressively off leash on [REDACTED] front yard. I sent a \$200 fine via registered mail asking the fine to be paid within ten days. I have received no answer to date and would like to pursue this as [REDACTED] now owes the town in the region of \$1,500 in fines regarding his dogs. Would the town/council like me to proceed with court action. As a note I would like this progressed asap as if left it shows that we are not pursuing fines which would send a message of complacency on our behalf.

April 23

[REDACTED] complained of a dog attacking his dog. (photographic evidence available) He could not definitely confirm the address of the dog that attacked, and his description of the dog differs to the only dogs I could find in the vicinity. Waiting for [REDACTED] to confirm address and breed of dog. I suspect that it was one of the boxer dogs belonging to [REDACTED] that either jumped the fence or crawled under and attacked [REDACTED] dog while he walked down the back alley. Still on going.

April 25

Received a complaint via town office from [REDACTED] in regard to dogs fouling on his property and possible poisoning of feral cats. No action taken as there are no specifics to go on. The email seems like a rant and he is not directing any accusation to anyone in particular.

As the daylight hours have increased I have started to patrol early morning and late afternoon around the areas of Wadena where the most complaints have come from in the past.

Regards

Andy Labdon.