

**CITY OF MARSHALLTOWN
ANIMAL ORDINANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
10 WEST STATE STREET
SEPTEMBER 2, 2025, 5:30 PM**

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Members: Austin Gillis, Jodi Gillis, Alicia Hunter, Dr. Grant Jacobson, Wendy Resinger, Jim Shaw, Kiel Stevenson, Gary Thompson, Carol Webb. Additional invite to Karla Gould.

BUSINESS

1. Approve the August 12, 2025 minutes.
2. Review of General Provisions.
 - 90.001 Keeping livestock
 - 90.002 Poultry or domestic fowl
 - 90.003 Running at large or staking out
 - 90.004 Feeding deer
 - 90.005 Police dogs; applicability
 - 90.006 Failure to comply with order
3. Review of Dogs and Cats sections.
 - 90.020 Definitions
 - 90.021 Rabies vaccination required
 - 90.022 Dog waste; removal
 - 90.023 Cats at large
 - 90.024 Dogs at large
 - 90.025 City authorized to contract for care, disposition of domesticated animals in lieu of establishing pound
 - 90.026 Apprehending and impounding
 - 90.027 Police officer; duties
 - 90.028 Notice to owner; redemption
 - 90.029 Unclaimed or infected animals; disposition
 - 90.030 Confinement of domesticated animals; releasing
 - 90.031 Rabies control
 - 90.032 Interference with enforcement officer
 - 90.033 Owner's liability for damage
 - 90.034 Domesticated animal causing disturbance or annoyance
 - 90.035 Kennels and breeding dogs
4. Next meeting: September 16th at 5:30 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

MISSION STATEMENT

The City of Marshalltown collaborates to provide a welcoming, safe, vibrant, and growing community.

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AUGUST 12, 2025, 5 PM**

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER 5:00 pm

ROLL CALL

Present: Austin Gillis, Jodi Gillis, Peggy Hannam, Alicia Hunter, Dr. Grant Jacobson, Wendy Resinger, Jim Shaw, Kiel Stevenson (via Go-To-Meeting), Gary Thompson, Carol Webb.

BUSINESS

1. *Member introductions*
 - All members were present and introduced themselves.

2. *Overview of Chapter 90: Animals*
 - Carol provided a brief overview of the chapter sections. Members are asked to read the chapter before the next meeting.
 - Staff are evaluating moving the “General Provisions” section regarding live stock and poultry to zoning regulations. There will be a discussion item on the 8/25 council meeting regarding chicken keeping. Austin and Jodi recommended moving livestock from domesticated animal code.
 - Jodi obtained sample ordinances from Ft. Dodge, Muscatine, Ottumwa and recommends starting code review by adding needed definitions.

3. *Discuss the expectations of the committee*
 - Carol asked the committee what the desired outcome of the committee is.
 - Identify enforcement challenges, cleaning up processes and timelines.
 - If the group does not come to a consensus on a topic it will be referred to the council.
 - Review the pros and cons of pet licensing. What platforms are available.
 - Collaboration with the County Attorney on neglect and abandonment cases and charging owners who can be identified.
 - Review of penalty schedule.
 - Microchip requirements.
 - Focus on responsible pet ownership and education.
 - Feral cat regulations, allowing TNR program.
 - Evaluate an animal control officer position.

4. *Establish meeting schedule*
 - The committee estimates it will take 6 meetings to review the code and will meet the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 5:30 pm in the City Council Chambers, 10 West State Street.
 - Next meeting: September 2nd. We will discuss Dogs and Cats section.

ADJOURNMENT 6:04 pm

Minutes prepared by: Alicia Hunter, City Clerk