



REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

ITEM NO. 13.

DATE OF MEETING: April 6, 2009

REQUESTED BY: Jack Griffith, Ph.D., Health Director

SHORT TITLE: Resolution to Deny Designation of an Animal Cruelty Investigator (ACI)

BACKGROUND: The Board of Health (BOH) feels that the work provided by an independent Animal Cruelty Investigator (ACI) would duplicate the duties already performed by our Animal Control Officers when investigating claims of animal abuse or neglect. The BOH also feels that such a position, without the cover of legal authority to effect impoundments might lead to confusion and related difficulties. The BOH also noted that when an animal is impounded by the ACI someone would need to be responsible for the care of such animal until a court decision is rendered. The BOH voted unanimously to oppose the selection of an Animal Cruelty Investigator for Pender County.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: Deny designating an Animal Cruelty Investigator.

COUNTY MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION

Respectfully recommend approval.

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RESOLUTION

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Pender County Board of Commissioners that

designation of an Animal Cruelty Investigator position is denied.

AMENDMENTS:

MOVED _____ SECONDED _____

APPROVED _____ DENIED _____ UNANIMOUS

YEA VOTES: Tate ___ Brown ___ Blanchard ___ Rivenbark ___ Williams ___

Jimmy T. Tate, Chairman 4/6/09
Date

ATTEST 4/6/09
Date