



DISCUSSION ITEM

ITEM NO. 21.

DATE OF MEETING: December 3, 2012

REQUESTED BY: Carson Smith, Sheriff

SHORT TITLE: Discussion of Exotic Animal Control Ordinance

BACKGROUND: The Pender County Board of Commissioners established an “ad hoc” (temporary) Animal Control Ordinance Review Committee dealing with the “exotic animal issue.” The committee has held several meetings since early September, and is now presenting their recommendations to the Commissioners. Members of the committee are: County Manager Mickey Duvall; Sheriff Carson Smith; Health Director Carolyn Moser; Animal Control Supervisor Keith Ramsey; Exotic Animal Owner Howard Loughlin; District 1 Rep. Don Robinson; District 2 Rep. Randy Wells; District 3 Rep. Forrest Casha; District 4 Rep. Philip Rivenbark; and District 5 Rep. Jay Dixon. County Attorney Trey Thurman and Planning Director Kyle Breuer have also provided crucial information to the committee at a majority of the meetings.

SPECIFIC ACTION REQUESTED: Review the Exotic Animal Control Committee’s recommendations.