TOWN OF SWANTON PROPOSED POLICY ON CATS (FELIS CATUS)

The Animal Control Ordinance adopted by the Town of Swanton only applies to dogs with the Town of Swanton having no ordinance as it relates to cats. There is from time to time, calls placed to the Animal Control Officer reporting a sick or injured cat that the owner of which is not known. In these cases, the Town adopts a policy that the Animal Control Officer will respond to the complaint, determines who the owner of the cat is, if possible. If unable to locate the owner, the Animal Control Officer is authorized to transport the sick or injured cat to a veterinarian. If in the opinion of the veterinarian that the cat is suffering and chances of recovery are slim, the Animal Control Officer is authorized to have the cat put down by the veterinarian.

If the owner of the cat is determined after the disposal of the animal, they shall be responsible for the payment of any fees due the veterinarian.

Under no circumstances will the Town or the Animal Control Officer take responsibility for any other complaints regarding cats.

| Adopted this 16th day of July, 2024. | |
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