

City of West Branch, IA – Animal Control Commission

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 10th, 2026 – 6:30 PM – West Branch City Council Chambers

Present: Dr. Alen Beyer, DVM (Chair), Leesa Johnson, Ashley Wildman, Nate Bartz (Secretary), Jessica Brown (City of WB), and Officer Ryan Dorsey (WB Police)

Absent: Amy Lynch (Vice-Chair)

Next meeting: April 14th – Dog Park cleanup day – meet at West Branch Dog Park at 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order – Dr. Beyer

2. Roll Call – Dr. Beyer

3. Announcements

- N/A

4. Discussion

Old Business:

- Discussed areas of concern at Dog Park – Dr. Beyer and Nate Bartz fixed the gate to the new side to help eliminate a gap, there are other gaps under the fence itself. Leesa offered some Lime from her property to be used to fill those gaps – will work with the city to coordinate. Need to add new mulch to planters and do annual cleanup.
- Dog Park Permits – Nate Bartz posted a reminder for Dog Park Permits on several local Facebook groups (Voices of West Branch, Friends of WB Dog Park, etc.). Group would like to work with Jessi Simon/West Branch Main St. to see if we can add some verbiage to any literature they send out to new residents.

New Business:

- Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FLV) – Numbers are on the rise and two cats (strays) in town have had to be put down to the virus. WB Animal Clinic is starting to charge city to euthanize.
- Police Report:
 - Officer Ryan Dorsey reported that there had not been any new incidents to report.

5. Call to Adjourn Meeting

- Dr Beyer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Leesa seconds. Motion carried.