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Alison Sayers, Chair CCRD  
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Dear Alison:

I am probably not alone in equating the SPCA (Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals) with Adopt-a-Pet, looking into the slaughter of sled-dogs or, more recently, an odd phone survey. I was surprised to find that their services encompass so much more.

Many of our households have animal members, whether livestock or pets. Some of our community spend additional time and/or money providing services involving animals. 'Dog Town' comes to mind. What we don't have is an on-going connection to an agency that specializes in animal welfare. The SPCA provides educational materials for schools, assistance with attending veterinarians, some assistance with spay and neuter programs, guidance to enforcement agencies, and help if people want to surrender animals.

They also help develop animal bylaws - the subject of the recent phone survey! Personally, I think that education is a better way to go.

I see a parallel with a situation we had many years back. A large area surrounding Noosatam's Fire Department had no fire protection. Two of us started the ball rolling, and some years later the Fire Department expanded. The process would have been much faster if we had known to phone the Fire Commissioner's office for the book that just needed the blanks filled in!

Inviting the SPCA to provide services to our community (CCRD?) could do the same thing - provide prevention without having to re-invent the wheel. Not only would their programs be available, we would also be on their radar; locals working for animal welfare would no longer have to function in a vacuum.

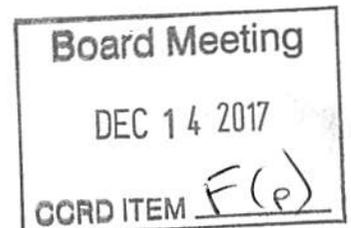
Will the CCRD invite the SPCA on our behalf?

Thank you.

Sincerely,

*Wilma Hallam*

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Dear Sir,  
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th inst. in relation to the above mentioned matter.

I am sorry to hear that you are unable to attend the meeting on the 20th inst. I am sure that your presence would have been most valuable.

I am sure that you will be able to attend the meeting on the 27th inst. I am sure that your presence would be most valuable.

Very truly yours,  
J. H. [Name]  
[Address]