CHARGE TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL & REGULATION TASK FORCE

An Animal Control & Regulation Task Force ("the Task Force") will be appointed by the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of developing a comprehensive set of regulations arrived at by consensus regarding dogs on beaches and around the general public.

The Task Force will consist of 7 regular members, 2 alternate members, and 3 ex-officio members (Selectman, Natural Resources and Animal Control/Police Department).

The Task Force is charged with completing certain tasks that will include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. Review existing Town General Bylaw Chapter 85. Animal Control; DPW & Natural Resources Rules and Regulations; and Nauset Beach Off-Road Vehicle Rules & Regulations as they relate to the issues of dog access, restrictions and owner requirements.

2. Identify and catalog current town properties/areas where dogs are permitted, with and without restrictions, and identify any potential new properties/areas that could be considered for general dog access, or as a defined dog park (open or fenced).

3. Research potential ideas, options and bylaws gathered from other communities, including grant funding sources, that may be adaptable to Orleans.

4. Present an interim report with findings and recommendations for policy, regulation and/or general bylaw changes to the Board of Selectmen by December 31, 2019.

5. Task Force will meet at least once a month, or as needed based on their work plan.

All meetings of the Task Force will be held at the Town Hall and in accordance with the Open Meeting Law. Minutes of meetings will be filed with the Town Clerk’s Clerks Office within 30 days of each meeting.

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