Deer Management Meeting w/ City of Ann Arbor & WC4EB

Date: September 28, 2016

Location: City Hall, Larcom, 1st Floor South Conference Room

In Attendance:

Tom Crawford City of Ann Arbor
Derek Delacourt City of Ann Arbor
Steven Schantz City of Ann Arbor

Bernie Banet WC4EB
Maurita Holland WC4EB
Kurt Sonen WC4EB
Chris Graham WC4EB

Meeting Purpose

To continue open communication between the City and WC4EB.

Meeting Summary

City provided WC4EB with an update on the deer management plan to date.

City provided a copy of the White Buffalo proposal.

Discussion on the White Buffalo proposal took place during the meeting.

WC4EB requested the City review the deer-vehicle-crash data that was previously provided.

WC4EB suggested the City have over-arching goals for 2017 and beyond.

WC4EB suggested the City add a goal to establish a baseline for vegetation damage via nature areas and private property.

WC4EB asked the City to request that White Buffalo use GPS collars versus radio collars for non-lethal deer management.

WC4EB requested that the city inquire with White Buffalo as to what exactly is "spotlighting".

WC4EB requested that deer herd size be tied to nature area health.

WC4EB requested the City set a goal or metric that is tied to deer tick and the spread of lime disease.

WC4EB requested the City research the possibilities and feasibility of conducted a cull via a dart and euthanize method. WC4EB believes this method could assist in deer reductions in areas where the 450' rule applies.

WC4EB requested information on White Buffalo's sterilization process and if this process will terminate any active pregnancy of the deer.