



2011 Legislative Questionnaire

Candidate Name: Bill Morris Office Sought: Commissioner At Large
Candidate Committee: Citizens To Re-Elect William Wayne Morris
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1. Do you have any pets? If so, please list species, breed and name(s) of pets.

Yes I do care for an ill friend's dog as a promise I made to him, black lab my friend adopted from the Humane Society, named Shadow.

2. Do you believe issues related to the population of stray dogs and/or cats negatively impact important development strategies in our community? If so, please explain.

Yes, in these hard economic times, abandoned bldgs. are welcome shelters for stray animals. There needs to be a viable plan to remedy animal overpopulation for the revitalization of neighborhoods that the city is diligently working on. A bigger voice from the Humane Society to the commission is greatly needed.

3. Do you believe the current municipal animal control budget provides adequate funding for its overall responsibilities? If not, please explain areas of critical need not currently provided by animal control.

No, although 4 officers ^{are} dealing with animal control, there is never enough funding to provide adequate care.

4. Do you believe that pet-friendly policies, particularly in downtown areas, can be important factors contributing to economic development or a more livable community? If so, please describe.

Yes, I have been working with individuals to make a dog park for our residents and their pets that I feel would be a better way of living by way of socializing, for both humans and their pets.

5. How would you handle the feral or stray cat overpopulation problem in our community?

Work with the Humane Society for a favorable solution on dealing with this problem.

We need stronger regulations to hold individuals more accountable for their actions.

6. If elected, would you support any form of canine breed restrictions?

Yes

7. If elected, would you support stricter penalties for animal related offenses such as neglect and abuse?

Yes

Upon the completion of this survey please contact Jake Smith at (269)963-1796 to schedule a brief meeting and tour of our facility.

* Please See Attached Letter.