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public information request

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Thu, Mar 10, 2016 at 9:18 PM

To: Wilson-Kevin <Wilson-Kevin@monroecounty-fl.gov>

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Thank you.

However, the report for the Middle Keys shelter is still missing. That also happens to be the one with the largest mismatch of numbers (370 versus 800-1000).

Please send that report.

On Thu, Mar 10, 2016 at 6:57 PM, Wilson-Kevin <Wilson-Kevin@monroecounty-fl.gov> wrote:

Attached are the purpose prepared summary reports from the shelters in response to a request for a summary set of statistics for the annual report. The HACC report specifically addresses dogs & cats. The FKSPCA summary for the annual report includes some line items that they do not report to the County on their monthly summary which focuses on dogs & cats such as their clinic clients, etc.. Of note, the monthly reports that you already have also contains reports on "other animals" such as chickens, iguanas, rabbits and such. If you look at the upper right corner of the monthly summaries already sent to you, you will see that in CY 2015 FKSPCA handled several hundred of these animals while HACC had a very low number of those. The Marathon number for those is also higher than HACC but lower than Key West.

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Subject: Re: public information request

Dear Kevin,

In case I didn't make myself clear earlier, this is a formal public records request.

I expect to be provided with the documents that substantiate the claims made on page 37 of the 2015 State of the County report. The specifics are detailed in the email below.

If those documents do not exist, then please simply tell me that. The stone-walling is not only very irritating, it does nothing but ensure continuing poor results for the Key Largo community.

I'm not letting this go. It's too important.

Sincerely,

Margaret Blank

On Mon, Mar 7, 2016 at 12:56 PM, Margaret Blank <margaret.h.blank@gmail.com> wrote:

Hello;

I am following up on information about the taxpayer funded animal shelters.

Specifically, I am curious about some claims that were made on page 37 of the 2015 State of the County report.

The report claims that the Upper Keys shelter handled 736 animals in 2015. That number ties out to the number of cats and dogs "brought in" and "picked up" according to monthly reports submitted by the shelter.

However, the numbers reported for the other two shelters are not supported by the monthly reports. The state of the county report claims that the Middle Keys shelter handled 800-1000 animals. The monthly reports indicate that the number is actually 370. You claim that the Lower Keys shelter handled 1,888 animals but the monthly reports indicate that the number is actually 1,025. Why are the numbers so different?

It seems that one methodology was used to determine the number of animals handled at the Upper Keys shelter and another was used for the other two shelters. Why?

Please provide documentation to support the claims made in the 2015 state of the county report for the Middle and Lower Keys animal shelters.

I am looking forward to your prompt, accurate, reality-based response, which will be thoroughly fact-checked.

Thank you,

Margaret Blank