Tioga County Sheriff's Office

From Sheriff Gary W. Howard

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Anyone interested in donating to the care of these animals:

- Send a check payable to the "Tioga County Sheriff's Office"
- Write "Animal Donation" in the memo
- Mail check to: Tioga County Sheriff's Office c/o Animal Donation 103 Corporate Drive Owego, NY 13827

On September 9, 2021 the Tioga County Sheriff's Office investigated a report of animal abuse on Pennsylvania Ave. in the Town of Owego. During the investigation, it was determined that several dogs, chickens, and a pony were left without proper sustenance and a clean living environment. The Tioga County Sheriff's Office, with the assistance of the Town of Berkshire Dog Control and the Town of Owego Dog Control, seized 33 dogs, 15 chickens, and a miniature pony. Terry Woloszyn age 59 of Apalachin NY was arrested and charged with 33 counts of Harboring an Unlicensed Dog, and 49 counts of Cruelty to an animal. Woloszyn was issued appearance tickets and is scheduled to appear at the Town of Owego Court at a later date. Additional assistance was provided by Angel Eyes Animal Rescue, Willow's Wings Animal Sanctuary, Tioga County Office of Emergency Services, and the Tioga County District Attorney's Office. Spencer Animal Hospital evaluated and treated each of the dogs and Cornell University Veterinary Medicine is evaluating the other animals.

Due to the immense cost of the medicine, transport, and care for these animals, the Tioga County Sheriff's Office will be accepting donations. At this time, each dog was given an exam, rabies shots, and flea and tick medicine, with more treatment to follow. Any and all donations to assist with this process will be placed into the Sheriff's Office Animal Fund and used in animal abuse cases.

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