

DENTON ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
Minutes from Tuesday, May 30, 2017

PRESENT: Anne Sullivan, Nanci Kimmey, Lt. Hildebrand, Kathleen Duffy, Paul O'Neil

ABSENT: Dr. Angie Paben

New Member to Animal Shelter Advisory Committee was introduced - Charles Hunter

I. Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Nancy Kimmey at 10:35 a.m.

II. Approval of February 14, 2017 minutes

Motion was made by Lt. Hildebrand to approve minutes as reviewed; seconded by Nanci Kimmey.

III. Review of Denton Animal Shelter Statistics – Paul O'Neil

Statistics were reviewed as of March
Adoptions +8.3%; Reclaimed -1.2%; Transferred -2.8%.
Euthanasia -3.7

IV. Denton Animal Shelter Reports – Paul O'Neil

A. Staff and Board Positions

One ACO position has been filled by Nicole Goodman who was a teacher and may be used in the future when the shelter staff is available to go into the schools more often to teach and demonstrate the proper way to treat and train their pets. . Another applicant, Elizabeth Chacon, will start in June, she is from Midland and certified.

Paul and ACO Ramon attend large state conference on rescues in Austin that provided shelter specific classes, and marketing . The two vet techs Tara and Lexi also attended.

B. Kennel Reports

Year to date reports: Adoption +6.1% ; Reclaimed +3.4% ; Transferred +6.2%; Euthanized +5.1%. Most euthanized animals are illness related.

C. ADOPTION PROGRAM

The shelter is still using Denton Animal Support Foundation subsidy funds for senior and special needs animals.

D. Community Events

DASF and TCAP on February 23 held a Low Cost immunization clinic at the shelter.

D. FUNDRAISERS

Scheduled for May 13, Hogs 4 Paws ride plus other Denton business have sponsored events at Harvest House, Oak Street and Mellow Mushroom. Rockin Rodeo will donate funds in June from five Friday nights.

E. DONATIONS

Donations of food and supplies for the animals at the animal shelter continue.

F. Volunteers

Orientations are held monthly for new volunteers.

Nanci Kimmey discussed the Volunteer Recognition Program with Gayla Nelson so that an email will be sent out to all the volunteers each month notifying them when the next monthly recognition is going to be held since it is based on that person's schedule and they are unaware of what is planned for them. Next one scheduled is June 3 at 1:00.

V. Rollers for the Stainless Steel Kennels – Lt. Hildebrand

1. Rollers for the Stainless Kennels – One purchase order had been awarded to a contractor who decided not to do it. Another bid is being done to rebid the purchase order.

VI. New Business

- A. Budget for the Shelter. Lt. Hildebrand reported there will be a new contract with the Vet Supply Company, next year they will put in a request for another front desk person.
- B. The shelter wants to ramp up more field work in picking up stray animals and have more of an educational presence in the community. Anne Sullivan asked if the ACO's in the truck had scanners on them to notify owners more quickly if it is microchipped. A brief discussion and determined that it would take too much extra time to do. (Scanners would have to be purchase for each of the 4 trucks at \$250-300 3 each, iPad would need to be in the truck and ACO would need to contact owner and still have to come in to the shelter to document). Ideally if every owner had a city dog license with a microchip it would be easier to contact.
- C. Assessments are being done on the current shelter with the Shelter Pro program to provide and tract data and the processes in the field.
- D. Anne Sullivan asked Lt. Hildebrand to discuss the City Ordinance in regard to owners leaving their pets unattended in the back of their pickup trucks. Lt. Hildebrand stated that the current ordinance requires that an animal should be secured; that said, what is enforceable is a gray area. The City Council would have to recommend a change and we are an advisory committee only and cannot recommend that.

VII, Adjourned

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 12:30 by Kathleen Duffy and seconded by Nanci Kimmey.

August 8, 2017 is scheduled for the next meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kathleen Duffy