

Animal Services Board Meeting,

July 18, 2019

5:30 Courthouse

Board Members:

Present: John Sorich, Kareniesa Kohn, Dr. Carl McQueary, John Rolich, Tyler Pullman & Judy Kruzich

Absent: Quorum present? Yes

Also present: Lynette Hogart, Animal Services Coordinator, Ed Randal, Director, Community Enrichment

Guests:

Proceedings: 5:30 pm -Meeting called to order.

- A motion was made by Judy Kruzich to change the wording “Council” to read “County Attorney” in the May 16, 2019 minutes, Kareniesa Kohn seconded
Dr. Carl McQueary made a motion to approve the May 16, 2019 minutes with the above changes, John Sorich seconded, all members in favor, minutes approved
- **Public Comment:** None to report
- **Communication:** None to report
- **Animal Services Division: Lynette Hogart, Animal Services Coordinator Report:**
 - a. Lynette Hogart reported on the number of animals at the shelter, the number of adoptions, reclaims & euthanasia’s for the month. John Sorich asked about intake spikes during the fireworks. Ed Randall commented that a discussion regarding fireworks would be needed in the future.
 - b. The equipment has been ordered and The Animal Services Board meetings will start being recorded at the September Board Meeting.
 - c. Lynette gave a report on the safety inspection that was conducted on Wednesday July 17, 2019
 - d. Lynette reported on Shelter maintenance
 - e. Website & Social Media update
 - f. Lynette reported that she and John Moodry have been working on updating the Standard Operating Procedures and that they have been working closely with the ASPCA Northern Tier Initiative for granting opportunities.
 - g. Lynette said there are many positive things happening at the Shelter and asked the Board to be a positive voice for our staff and the work we do at the Shelter. Ed Randall also commented that the Board needs to be supportive and put out a positive vibe to the community.

Old Business:

- Rabies and ASB Ordinance sent to County Attorney: Ed Randall read the changes to the new Animal Services Board Ordinance. Tyler Pullman asked if a board member could be removed from the board if they have a disagreement. John Rolich stated that it is not a gag order, it is a consensus and that board meetings are where they are discussed. Judy Kruzich asked where the bi-laws are. Ed Randal reported that Dave Palmer had them. Judy Kruzich also recommended a news blitz when the new rabies protocol is announced. Dr. Carl McQueary thinks getting the word out on the new rabies ordinance will be easy.
- Kennels: Ed Randall reported that the purchase of new dog kennels has been put on hold by Mr. Dave Palmer until a new shelter is built.
- New Shelter Location-Ed Randall reported that 3 locations are being considered, they will be posted when finalized and the community will have an opportunity to vote on the selection.

New Business:

- Shelter Fundraising-Kareneisa Kohn said there would be a committee made up of community members that would spearhead the fundraising effort. There is an optimistic goal of raising 300,000-500,00K. Tyler Pullman asked if turning the Shelter over to a 501c3 group had ever been considered. John Sorich commented that it didn't work the last time a 501c3 had it.
- Veterinary Shelter Care-Ed Randall reported that the budget to hire a shelter veterinarian has been approved and that there is a 3-year commitment
- Festival Season-Ed Randall reported that it was a very successful season.
- Getting the information out-Ed Randall reported that Union negotiations have started

Meeting Adjourned