

ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MARCH 6, 2024
DRAFT MINUTES

Call to Order: 5:30 P.M.

Committee Members Present

Kim Peckler
Liriane Davis
Donna Riggs
DeAnna Phillips
Trina Argo
Dena Hooley
Lisa Chick

Committee Members Absent

Jennifer Stockemer
Steven Janssen
Syriana Smith
Dr. Susan Andrews

Staff

Angel Strotman, Recording Secretary

1. **Call to Order:** Time: 5:36 PM
2. **Approve the minutes from the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting.**

A. Consider approval of the minutes from November 8, 2023 Animal Shelter Advisory Committee meeting.

A motion was made by Dena Hooley and second by Donna Riggs to *or approve the minutes as amended*. Lisa Chick must be added to absent.

Motion passed: 5 - 0

Absent: Jennifer Stockemer
Steven Janssen
Syriana Smith
Dr. Susan Andrews

3. **Citizen Appearances.** None
4. **Reports and Discussion Items:**

A. **Receive a report and discuss Animal Services' monthly reports on November 2023, December 2023, and January 2024 shelter operations. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)**

Staff gave an update on the shelter operations for November 2023, December 2023, and January 2024.

- Q: What does RTO mean? A: Return to owner.
- Q: What is required for the animal to be returned to the owner? Are there fees involved? A: No fees at this time for a first offense, but a rabies vaccination must be given within 10 days. For a return in the field by the officer, the owner is given a Notice of Violation, with the same 10 days to get a rabies vaccination.
- Q: How often is the shelter full? A: 100% of the time now.

B. Summary of the improvements to Shelter. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the improvements to Shelter approved in the FY2023-2024 budget, which included an outside cover for the kennels and a solar panel electric gate.

- The committee was happy the gates were installed

C. Summary of the Community Outreach. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on the community outreach activities and events for animal services: Dogs and Donuts at Bailey Lake held on March 2, and upcoming activities: Career Fair at Frazier Elementary planned for May 9 and Super Safety Saturday at Texas Health Burleson planned for May 18.

- Several Committee members would love to help with community outreach activities.

E. Summary of the fundraisers held for the Animal Shelter. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an update on fundraiser activities and events held for animal services which included a Furry Friends fundraiser sponsored by Applebee's held on February 20 and the Pooch Playoffs – the Ulti-Mutt Cutie competition sponsored by Joni Linn Photography.

- The Committee loved all the fundraiser ideas.

F. Summary of the Borrowed Buddies Program. (Staff Presenter: Kim Peckler, Animal Services Manager)

Staff gave an overview of the animal services' Borrowed Buddies program and the benefits, which allows citizens to borrow a shelter animal for a set amount of time.

- Everyone loves the Borrowed Buddie Program
- Q: What is sent home with the animal? A: Food, leash, a bandana.
- Q: Why does the animal get sent with food? A; The animal needs to stay on the specific brand of food for digestion reasons.

6. Board requests for future agenda items or reports.

- The committee talked about other fundraising events. Liriane Davis suggested a Dinner Gala or a golf tournament.
- Can the City look into grants?
- Possibly enforcement grants?

7. Adjourn

Motion made by Lisa Chick to adjourn meeting and second by Dena Hooley
Time: 6:14 p.m.