

ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, January 23, 2025 at 1:30 PM 213 North Race Street Everman, TX 76140

MINUTES

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

President Mackey called meeting to order at 1:35pm.

Jimmy Mathis, longtime resident of Forest Hill present at meeting thinking about joining the Board.

Craig Spencer, City Manager

Mindi Parks, City Secretary

PRESENT
Susan Mackey
Judy Sellers
Stephanie Boardingham
Alan Pierce
Dr. Patrick Reeves
Ray Rentschler (ACO)

2. INVOCATION

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes

September 19, 2024 meeting minutes

Motion made by Boardingham, Seconded by Pierce to approve the Minutes as read. Voting Yea: Mackey, Sellers, Boardingham, Pierce, Reeves, Rentschler (ACO)

All voted Aye.

Motion Carried

5. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Presentation and report on the status Municipal Animal Services Shelter - Ray Rentschler

Ray displayed a presentation for the Board to view. Ray went over the things and changes that have been put in the Shelter where it is after his first year of being here. He stated that he has a great team which makes a great foundation at the shelter and he is very happy. Forest Hill had a disagreement of them feeling like they are not being serviced the same as Everman and that is no longer a problem. Catering to the public is also something they have been working on and that is important. The new shelter in the future is still in the works and it is looking very good. There are grants available and funding is the issue at this time. The amount that we are looking at to fund this is at \$2million dollars. He also displayed pictures showing the changes at the shelter with the kennels and where the animals are stored. The complaints have gone down to nothing about animals in both cities and that is great. Ray also mentioned that we have a great Rescue relationship and they get the animals great homes and adopted very quickly. Adoption Trailer again will be here by February or March so hopefully that happens. Also, Boardingham would like to find out how we can get the youth involved with the shelter and let them volunteer and students want to do something with the animals. Craig will get with Victoria, city attorney and Susanne Helgesen, Finance Director and get those answers and see what we can do.

B. Discussion of upcoming events and plans

Ray is waiting on the mobile unit to get some plans for some events.

C. Next steps if ordinance is adopted

This will help us enforce equally in both cities and be more consistent. Forest Hill will have the ordinances go before their council on February 4th. Then the following Tuesday the City of Everman will have the ordinances go before their council to approve.

Motion was made by Boarding ham and seconded by Alan pierce support of the recommended ordinance to be approved.

Motion Carried.

7. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

9. ADJOURN

President Susan Mackey adjourned the meeting at 2:47pm.

I hereby certify that this agenda was posted on the City of Everman bulletin board at or before 1:30 p.m. on Monday January 20, 2025.

/s/ Mindi Parks City Secretary

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- A. Section 551.071 Pending or Contemplated Litigation or to Seek Advice of the City Attorney.
- B. Section 551.072 Purchase, Sale, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property.
- C. Section 551.073 Deliberation Regarding Prospective Gift.
- D. Section 551.074 Personnel Matters.
- E. Section 551.087- Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations.
- F. Section 551.089 Deliberations Regarding Security Devices or Security Audits.

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