EVERMAN ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY BOARD Minutes Wednesday, March 22, 2023 4:00 PM

- 1. Meeting called to order at 4:01 pm.
- **4. Consent Agenda.** Minutes were not available for the previous meeting (9-14-22)
- 5. Citizen's Comments. None.
- 6. Discussion Items:
- A. Introduce our new ACO. The new ACO is Crystal Fenn.
- B. Funding with Kennedale and Forest Hill. Craig Spencer stated Kennedale's contract has expired and because we have not had a good relationship with the ACO in Kennedale we will not be asking to renew the contract. We still have a contract with Edgecliff which will be renewed.

Forest Hill will be asked to renew. Craig stated that they have been very good with working with our ACO. The only problem is they only have one ACO officer and they need to hire another one. This is causing problems with our ACO officer and time away from the shelter. Forest Hill is good about funding when needed. We will be asking for better funding to help with supplies etc.

C. New shelter. Craig Spencer has spoken with the owner, Mr. Ken Ward, of the property that surrounds our shelter. Mr. Ward complained about people dropping off animals after hours and the noise. They discussed possible getting a gate for the entrance. After more discussions, Mr. Ward offered to buy the property of the old shelter and help fund a new building at Johnson Park.

We asked about the plans for a new building. Craig Spencer offered to have Grossman develop the plans with the assistance of our ACO group. EDC has agreed to pay for the plans. We were all in agreed to proceed with drawing up plans.

Some discussion about the building. Craig Spencer suggested Rick Fuller who builds steel building would be something to consider.

- D. Condition of current shelter. Crystal, Elisabeth and James all stated the building was over crowded and has holes in the walls. It is not in good condition. Currently there is 31 dogs and only 5 or 6 are from Everman citizens. All the rest are from Forest Hill.
- E. Current status of supplies. It was stated that currently all the traps are missing. We currently need small and large traps. Large traps are needed now. The deposit for the small traps is \$80.00 and the large traps are \$250.00. Crystal was asked to make a list of the supplies that are needed.

We have a box car for the food to be stored in and are looking at another for the supplies.

F. Current need for food, donations, etc. ACO officer and Elizabeth stated we have plenty of food. We get donations from Purina which has been very helpful.

Consideration And Possible Action. A new fee schedule needs to be developed and a new policy for Euthanizing. After some discussion on euthanizing, it was agreed to 45 days, unless it is a very aggressive animal.

Crystal Fenn is working on her certification for euthanizing and will be completed in April.

- 7. Consideration and possible action. None taken.
- 8. Executive Session. None taken.
- 9. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 pm.