

**SEMINOLE COUNTY
ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

**September 13, 2012
7:00 PM**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Finch
Debra Garrambone
Stephen Browne, Vice Chairman
Dr. Giovanni Vergel

MEMBERS ABSENT: Bryan Wilson
Gayle Hair, Chairman
Keith Weissman

OTHERS: Morgan Woodward, Animal Services Manager
Ann Colby, Assistant County Attorney
Elaine RiCharde, Clerk to the Board

The following is a non-verbatim transcript of the Seminole County Animal Control Board meeting held September 13, 2012, at 7:00 PM, at the Sheriff's Office/Public Safety Building, 150 Bush Boulevard, Sanford, Florida.

I. Call to Order.

Mr. Browne called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

II. Roll Call.

Roll Call was taken by the Clerk. A quorum was present.

III. Minutes: June 14, 2012.

Motion by Ms. Garrambone to approve the minutes. Second by Ms. Finch. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Public Commentary.

Mr. Browne announced the Board would take public commentary and called for the first speaker.

Irene Clark, 200 Maitland Avenue, #218, Altamonte Springs, addressed the Board on the subject of "raccoons – reading a short paragraph". Ms. Clark distributed an article titled *How Well Do You Know Your Neighbors?* She read a portion of the article and spoke about the subject matter.

Mr. Browne called for the next speaker.

Gabriel Bruno, 1430 Circle Lane, Chuluota, addressed the Board on the subject of a “dangerous dog”. Mr. Bruno read from a prepared statement regarding a dog named “Diesel” owned by Harry Waltz. Mr. Bruno provided the Board with a copy of his prepared statement which included documents referenced in his statement.

Mr. Browne called for the next speaker.

Anna Justice, 1430 Circle Lane, Chuluota, addressed the Board on the subject of a “dangerous dog”. Ms. Justice spoke about incidents regarding a dog named “Diesel” owned by Christine and Harry Waltz.

Mr. Browne called for the next speaker.

Gail Nagan, 227 Everest Point, #103, Casselberry, FL, addressed the Board on the subject of “feral cats and TNR”. Ms. Nagan provided the Board with a copy of a report titled *Feral Cats and Trap Neuter Return* which she prepared in 2007. She spoke about the subject matter.

Ms. Nagan asked the Clerk to provide a copy of her report to the absent Board members.

V. Old Business.

Mr. Browne called for old business.

Ann Colby, Assistant County Attorney, addressed the Board regarding the dangerous dog appeal hearing held March 20, 2012, on a dog named “Brock” owned by Curtis Lee. The Animal Control Board’s order was upheld by the County Court which ordered the dog euthanized and also awarded fees and costs to the County.

VI. New Business.

A. 2012 ASPCA Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge – Report on Animal Services program, activities and statistics.

Morgan Woodward, Animal Services Manager, spoke about the initial competition to get into the nationwide 2012 ASPCA Rachael Ray \$100K Challenge (Challenge). Seminole County Animal Services was successful and is one of fifty organizations competing for the \$100K prize money. The Challenge began August 1st and will end on October 31st. Mr. Woodward distributed and reviewed the competition statistics for August. These statistics were compiled by

the Challenge committee and include Animal Services live release numbers compared to Challenge target goals. Mr. Woodward also distributed and reviewed a list of Animal Services events and activities relative to the Challenge.

B. Future Agenda Items.

Mr. Browne called for future agenda items.

The Board asked Mr. Woodward to include a report on the Challenge outcome on the next regular meeting agenda.

Dr. Vergel made reference to the issue raised by the two public speakers (supra) relative to declaring a dog as dangerous. Mr. Woodward said state law does not give the Animal Control Board the authority to issue a dangerous dog declaration. Ms. Colby stated that under the law only the animal control authority can declare a dog as dangerous.

VII. Reports.

A. Kennel Statistics (Intakes & Outcomes).

Mr. Woodward reviewed the report and answered questions.

B. Customer Contact Statistics.

Mr. Browne called for discussion on this report. There was none.

C. Pet Data, Inc. Statistics.

Mr. Browne called for discussion on this report. There was none.

VIII. Confirmation of Next Meeting.

- December 13, 2012
- March 14, 2013
- June 13, 2013

Mr. Browne reviewed the regular meeting dates.

IX. Adjournment.

Motion by Ms. Garrambone to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 PM. Second by Ms. Finch. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk to the Board

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