

SEMINOLE COUNTY
ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

June 9, 2016
7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bryan Wilson
John McGrath
Marianne King
Heather Smith
Dr. Stephen Wiseman, DVM

MEMBERS ABSENT: Stephen Browne
Michelle Quick

OTHERS: Bob Hunter, Animal Services Manager
Ann Colby, Assistant County Attorney
Denise Sims, Clerk to the Board

The following is a non-verbatim transcript of the Seminole County Animal Control Board meeting held June 9, 2016 at 7:00 PM, at the Sheriff's Office/Public Safety Building, 100 Bush Boulevard, Sanford, Florida.

I. Call to Order.

Bryan Wilson called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

II. Roll Call.

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

III. Minutes: March 10, 2016.

Bryan Wilson called for review of the minutes. Dr Wiseman motioned to approve the minutes. John McGrath seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

IV. Public Commentary.

Bryan Wilson announced that the Board would take public commentary and called for the first speaker.

No speakers were present, Bryan Wilson closed public commentary.

V. Old Business.

A. Follow up of Seminole County Animal Services (SCAS) initiatives.

- Bryan Wilson began the discussion of Breed Specifications on kennel cards. The Board discussed whether or not Breeds should be removed from the kennel cards, to prevent prejudice towards Pit Bull breed for adoption. Bryan Wilson mentioned that Orange County has removed Breed from their kennel card. Bob Hunter informed the Board that SCAS has hung posters, (provided a photo copy of the poster in the agenda package), explaining why SCAS has breeds listed on cage cards, Bob Hunter also explained that the kennel software requires a breed to create the animal record. Marianne King posed a question to legal, (Anne Colby) as to the liability on the County if the breed information was removed from kennel cards. Anne explained that the County has a high liability when adopting out animals, and should not hide breeds from potential adopters. Bob Hunter explained that personality traits are listed on a kennel card under comments, so that a potential adopter can see those as well as breed. Marianne King recommended deferring to the County Attorney for breed listings on kennel cards. County Attorney recommended leaving breed information on the kennel card.
- Bob Hunter also spoke to the Board in reference to the PetSmart Contract that has been signed and completed, allowing SCAS to take animals to large events located at the Casselberry Store. He is mentioned the possibility of attending a large adoption event over July 4 holiday period.

VI. New Business

A. Ordinance Revisions Part I, II, & III

- Anne Colby explained how the revisions of the County Ordinance were brought about due to State Legislature regarding Dangerous Dogs and the role that the Animal Control Board would have. She explained the differences in the old ordinance, and then explained that the changes would essentially mirror the new State Legislature. Other changes in the ordinance would affect the issuance of citations, and the removal of references to the illegal harvest of deer or other wildlife. Heather Smith motioned to support the revised ordinance with Marianne King seconding. The Board passed to support the changes.

B. SCAS Initiatives (Bob Hunter).

- Bob Hunter discussed the Adopt-a-Pet grant that SCAS received for \$1,000.00 to assist with the adoption of cats. He explained that the grant was originally for 20 cats, but SCAS was actually able to apply this grant to 25 cats, and of those 25 cats, we've successfully adopted out 18 cats.
- Bob Hunter informed the Board about another Adopt-a-Pet grant SCAS had applied for that would be used for flea and tick prevention for the animals housed at the shelter.
- Bob Hunter updated the Board on the completed drainage project that was done in the meet and greet yard, which would allow rain water to drain off and not leave the yard wet and unusable until dried.
- Bob Hunter explained that the sprinkler project for the front of the shelter was nearly complete, that the replacement sod would be installed next Tuesday, June 14, 2016.
- Bob Hunter spoke to the Board about SCAS hosting a mobile rabies clinic on site at the shelter on June 25, 2016 as a test. If the first one was successful, then SCAS would hold more at off site locations to be determined at a later time.
- Bob Hunter spoke about the Variable Messaging sign that SCAS had partnered with Emergency Management to purchase, as a form of advertisement for events and educational messages.
- Bob Hunter explained the "2016 Hot Summer Challenge", in which public shelters would try to improve on their adoption from previous year, as well as challenge other local shelter to compete for bragging rights. This challenge will continue through July and August 2016.
- Bob Hunter updated the Board on an adoption special from May called 555. For an adoption fee of \$5.00 customers could adopt any animal that was 5yrs or older, or at the shelter more than 5 months.
- Bob Hunter informed the Board that SCAS has multiple Eagle Scouts projects at the shelter, which included a brand new, custom

built rabbit hutch for at the shelter in our adoption area, and dog houses that will be distributed to needy families in the community.

- Anne Colby spoke to the Board on the upcoming event where SCAS will partner with Central Florida Pug Rescue and Pet Paradise for an adoption event at their facility, coming up in August 2016.
- Bob Hunter discussed his intentions of possibly following the Pet Pals approach and have a \$5.00 adoption special for July.

VII. Reports.

A. Kennel Statistics (Intakes & Outcomes).

- There was no discussion by the Board on the Kennel Statistics.

B. Pet Data, Inc. Statistics - County Tag/License Purchases.

- A discussion on County Licensing procedures was started after Bob Hunter pointed out the Licensing numbers were down from last year. Marianne King asked if the cost of paying PetData was still necessary to process animal licenses. Bob Hunter commented that the use of PetData for processing licenses is still fiscally sound. If the county would process licenses themselves, it would need to increase office staff by 3 to 4 more people to handle the process. Dr Wiseman also commented that PetData also requires vets to send in rabies information from clients thus allowing them to monitor and send out reminders to citizens about purchasing their licenses.

C. Cisco Phone Statistics

- There was no discussion on the phone statistics.

VIII Confirmation of Next Meeting(s).

Meeting dates were confirmed; with a discussion from the Board on the possibility of starting the meetings at an earlier time, such as 6:00pm or 6:30pm. Anne Colby informed the Board that this was an administrative issue and did not need to be voted on by the Board, just a consensus was needed.

IX. Adjournment.

Marianne King motioned to adjourn the meeting, Dr Stephen Wiseman seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk to the Board

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