SEMINOLE COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

March 8, 2012 7:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Finch

Bryan Wilson

Debra Garrambone Stephen Browne

Gayle Hair, Vice Chairman

Dr. Giovanni Vergel

MEMBERS ABSENT: 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 March 8, 2012, at 7:00 PM, at the Sheriff's Office/Public Safety Building, 150 Bush Boulevard, Sanford, Florida.

I. Call to Order.

Ms. Hair called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM.

II. Roll Call.

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

Debra Garrambone joined the meeting at 7:03 PM.

III. Minutes: September 15, 2011.

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

IV. Public Commentary.

Ms. Hair announced the Board would take public commentary and called for the first speaker.

Kris Buchanan, 647 Short Oar Court, Sanford, addressed the Board on the subject of TEARS, Inc. TEARS (Together Every Animal Receives Support),

is a non-profit organization she started to be a support group for Seminole County Animal Services. She talked about TEARS activities and goals to include purchasing a ventilation system for installation in the kennel buildings.

Ms. Hair called for the next speaker.

Christine Logan Morgan, 300 Rose Drive, Sanford, addressed the Board on the subject of people who have problems with cats. Ms. Logan spoke in support of residents who do not want stray cats on their property. She said residents want to know the plans regarding TNR (trap-neuter-release) because they don't want stray cats on their property.

Ms. Hair called for the next speaker.

Marilyn Pagliaro, 675 Waneta Court, Winter Springs, addressed the Board on the subjects of public commentary and Animal Services ordinance. Ms. Pagliaro said the Animal Control Board needs to review and revise the proposed animal ordinance code (sic). Ms. Pagliaro spoke in support of the No Kill Nation program.

Ms. Hair called for the next speaker.

Irene Clark, 200 Maitland Avenue, Unit 218, Altamonte Springs, addressed the Board on the following: "Publishing #'s of dog/cat intake, adoption, reclaimed, euthanized in Animal Control Office – the effect this publishing of #'s has had on me and on my spreading the word on spay, neutering." Ms. Clark spoke in support of posting these numbers and wanted to know why they are no longer posted.

Ms. Hair called for the next speaker.

Gail Nagan, 227 Everest Point, #103, Casselberry, addressed the Board on the subject of "stats handout". Ms. Nagan distributed a hand out to the Board. Ms. Nagan spoke in support of publishing the numbers on the hand out. She spoke in support of trap-neuter-return.

V. Old Business.

Ms. Hair called for old business. There was none.

VI. New Business.

Ms. Colby asked to address the Board before the election of officers in order to review the duties and responsibilities of officers and Board members. Ms. Colby distributed a copy of Chapter 767 of the Florida Statutes which speaks to dangerous dogs. She then proceeded to review this material.

- A. Nomination of Officers.
- Ms. Hair called for nominations for Chairman.
- Ms. Finch nominated Ms. Hair for Chairman. Second by Mr. Browne.
- Ms. Hair called for additional nominations. There were none.
- Ms. Hair called for a vote on Ms. Finch's nomination. The motion passed unanimously and Ms. Hair was elected Chairman.
 - Ms. Hair called for nominations for Vice Chairman.
- Ms. Hair nominated Mr. Browne for Vice Chairman. Second by Ms. Garrambone.
- Ms. Hair called for a vote on her nomination. The motion passed unanimously and Mr. Browne was elected Vice Chairman.
 - B. Adopt Rules of Procedure.

Motion by Mr. Browne to adopt the Rules of Procedure as presented. Second by Ms. Finch. The motion passed unanimously.

- C. Phyllis Ayoob Presentation Relative to No Kill Nation Conference.
- Ms. Ayoob introduced herself. She proceeded with a Power Point presentation on information from this conference about how a community can be a part of the no kill nation initiative.
 - D. Sunshine Law, Ethics and Public Records Training Conducted by Ann Colby, Assistant County Attorney.
- Ms. Colby distributed a package of information on the subject matter. She identified the documents in the package to include a pamphlet from the Florida Commission on Ethics, copies of Florida Statutes, a copy of Form 8B (voting conflict), an outline/overview on the subject matter, a hard copy of a Power Point presentation on the subject matter and a true/false test she will administer at the conclusion of the training. She then proceeded to conduct the training session.
 - E. Future Agenda Items.
 - Ms. Hair called for future agenda items.

Mr. Woodward asked to address the Board. He reminded the Board one of their responsibilities is to make recommendations to the Director of Public Safety. He said if a Board member wants an item placed on an agenda, the request should be made as a recommendation requiring a Board vote and then a decision on the recommendation will be made by the Director of Public Safety.

Ms. Hair again called for future agenda items.

Mr. Woodward said he would like to know what the Board wants to see on every regular meeting agenda.

There a followed a discussion about a single web site to view coming events at Animal Services with links to rescue organizations to capture their events.

Motion by Mr. Wilson to make a recommendation that the Board discuss ways to better inform the public about the activities sponsored by Animal Services and rescue groups. Second by Ms. Garrambone. The motion passed unanimously.

VII. Reports.

Mr. Woodward asked the Board to confirm the reports they want to see on every regular meeting agenda.

A. Transport Statistics.

Mr. Woodward asked to discontinue this report due to redundancy.

Motion by Ms. Garrambone to discontinue providing this report at every regular meeting unless specifically requested by a Board member for a specific time period. Second by Mr. Browne. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Kennel Statistics (Intakes & Outcomes).

Mr. Woodward asked to remove the last set of statistics on this report (all starting with the word total and applicable only to cats and dogs) due to redundancy.

Motion by Mr. Browne to remove that set of statistics from this report. Second by Mr. Wilson. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Customer Contact Statistics.

Mr. Woodward made no recommendation regarding this report. There was a consensus to retain the report.

D. Pet Data, Inc. Statistics.

Mr. Woodward made no recommendation regarding this report. There was a consensus to retain the report.

At this point in the meeting Gail Nagan, a speaker who participated during public commentary, interrupted the Board's discussion by speaking out from the audience, referring to the document she distributed to the Board during her public commentary. This interruption resulted in the following Board action.

Motion by Mr. Browne to keep the reports the way they are. Second by Ms. Finch. There was no vote.

Mr. Browne amended his motion to read that, with the exception of the reports the Board has already voted to remove, the Board accept the reports as presented. Second by Ms. Finch. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Discussion on Future Reports.

This item was addressed during the review and discussion of the itemized reports.

VIII. Confirmation of Next Meeting.

- June 14, 2012
- September 13, 2012
- December 13, 2012

Ms. Hair reviewed the regular meeting dates.

Mr. Woodward reminded the Board they have a public hearing scheduled March 20, 2012, to consider the appeal of a dangerous dog declaration.

Ms. Colby asked the Board to arrive early that evening to meet with her before the hearing starts.

Mr. Woodward brought forward the issue of the Board seeing the dog that is the subject of this hearing. The dog is impounded at Animal Services.

There followed a discussion about this issue which resulted in the following action.

Motion by Ms. Hair that the Animal Control Board as a group does not have to see the dog that is the subject of the dangerous dog hearing, and the

Board will rely upon the evidence given to them at the hearing. Second by Ms. Finch. The motion passed unanimously.

IX. Adjournment.

Motion by Mr. Browne to adjourn the meeting at 9:40 PM. Second by Ms. Garrambone. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk to the Board