The following is a non-verbatim transcript of the Seminole County Animal Control Board meeting held March 24, 2015 at 7:00 PM, at the Sheriff’s Office/Public Safety Building, 150 Bush Boulevard, Sanford, Florida.

I. Call to Order.

Stephen Browne called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM.

II. Roll Call.

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

III. Minutes: December 11, 2014.

Stephen Browne called for review of the minutes. Gayle Hair motioned to approve the minutes. Therese Dickinson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and the minutes were approved.

IV. Public Commentary.

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

There were no public speakers.
V. Old Business.

A. Review of yearly mandatory training on The Florida Sunshine Law, Ethics and Public Records Law. (Tentative – pending attendance of full Animal Control Board)

Ann Colby provided the yearly mandatory training for all ACB members and SCAS staff that were in attendance.

VI. New Business.

At the start of New Business discussion, Stephen Browne asked for clarification regarding Dangerous Dog Hearing Procedures. Ann Colby reviewed with the board the basic procedure for proceedings should a Dangerous Dog Hearing be brought before the ACB.

A. Nomination of Officers.

Gayle Hair nominated Stephen Browne for Chairman. Therese Dickinson seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Motion to elect Stephen Browne as Chairman passed unanimously.

Stephen Browne nominated Gayle Hair for Vice Chairman. Marianne King seconded the nomination. There were no other nominations. Motion to elect Gayle Hair as Vice Chairman passed unanimously.

B. Adopt Rules of Procedure.

Stephen Browne asked for clarification regarding the Attendance Policy contained in the Rules of Procedure. Policy regarding needing approval from the Chairman to be absent prior to an ACB meeting was reviewed; the ACB discussed the importance of having a full ACB attend each meeting.

Marianne King motioned to adopt the Rules of Procedure. Heather Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and the Rules of Procedure for 2015 were adopted.

C. Upcoming Animal Services and Community Events.

Bob Hunter addressed the ACB on upcoming Events. Mr. Hunter relayed that Diane Gagliano is still the Event Coordinator for Animal Services. Reviewed the different Mastro Subaru Events that the shelter and TEARS have been involved with. Bob reviewed the recent annual Adopt-A-Thon. Feedback was provided from the ACB and Ann Colby regarding suggested changes to the event to prepare for next year.
Stephen Browne addressed Bob Hunter at this time to express the feedback he had received when “Leadership Seminole” took a tour of Animal Services. He pointed out that Diane Gagliano’s presentation made a real impact with the group and she did a great job. Stephen Browne also presented possible changes to the tour for next year, and asked for a separate meeting with Bob at Animal Services to discuss further.

D. Future Agenda Items.

Seminole County Code Revisions have been put on hold temporarily as the focus has shifted to revisions of a new Interlocal Agreement with the Health Department. This item, highlighting rabies control and animal bite investigations is expected to be brought before the BOCC April 14, 2015.

Ann Colby discussed the Rescue Group agreements that Animal Services is implementing with the various Rescue Groups that work with the shelter, stating that it will be beneficial to both parties. Bryan Wilson asked for a list of these Rescue Groups; Bob Hunter will provide a list once all of the agreements have been received as the shelter is still in a transition period.

Gayle Hair asked about a reduced spay and neuter program being currently offered through Animal Services. Bob Hunter referenced the Pet Pals program. Therese Dickinson asked if Gayle Hair was inquiring about the Dolly’s Foundation Reunion Program; Gayle Hair responded that was the correct program. Bob Hunter explained the details of the program, and explained that it is not a County funded program and that it is being funded by grant money through Dolly’s Foundation. Gayle Hair asked how the progress is with the Pet Pals program. Bob Hunter explained that with no available marketing for the program, the numbers are still low.

VII. Reports.

A. Kennel Statistics (Intakes & Outcomes).

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

Stephen Browne asked about the licensing numbers, inquiring if the numbers reflected new or renewal license purchases. This information was not readily available and will be provided to the ACB at the next meeting.

Bryan Wilson inquired about the Pet Alliance of Greater Orlando pulling animals from Seminole County Animal Services. Bob Hunter responded, stating that more animals have been pulled in the last two (2) months than
had been previously. Orange County Animal Services has pulled many cats recently from Seminole County Animal Services, but the numbers for PAGO are still low in comparison.

TEARS, the friends group to the shelter, adopts cats from SCAS and adopts them out through TEARS at a Petco location that they hold a contract with. It was asked why they only adopt at one Petco location. This information was not readily available and will be provided to the ACB at the next meeting.

At this time, Stephen Browne asked if Bob Hunter could have a name plate that reflected his title, and if the Clerk could have a name plate that would also reflect their name. This request is currently on hold.

VIII. Confirmation of Next Meeting(s).

  o Thursday June 11, 2015
  o Thursday September 10, 2015
  o Thursday December 10, 2015

Meeting dates were confirmed; no scheduling conflicts at this time.

IX. Adjournment.

  Gayle Hair motioned to adjourn the meeting. Marianne King seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk to the Board