

FROM: Animal Services Advisory Board

SUBJECT: Monthly Meeting

DATE: Wednesday June 15, 2011

LOCATION: Animal Services Center

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MEMBERS PRESENT: Kris Bergstrand, Sue Milliger, Aviva Scully, Susan Elmore, Dan Textoris, Lori Lumpkin, Susan Elmore, Drew Brinkley, Bob Marotto, Jean Austin, Donna Bravo, Mike Stewart

MEMBERS ABSENT: Suzanne Roy, Andy Uhl

STAFF PRESENT: Bob Marotto, Drew Brinkley, Irene Phipps

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Beginning time of meeting: 6:30 pm

### **Old Business**

- The agenda for tonight was unanimously adopted after changing the Partner Profile to earlier in the evening.
- Minutes from May 18, 2011, meeting was unanimously approved.
- No member of the public was present to comment.

Topic A- Two new board members present

- At-large position, Mike Stewart, was welcomed, as was Donna Bravo.
- Lisa Woolman, DVM, declined the position offered for the Animal Advocacy position.
- Hillsborough position also still open.
- Mike Stewart volunteered to be on the dangerous dog committee and the ASAB so approved.
- New member orientation will be completed prior to next meeting in August

Topic B- Partner Profile- Coalition to Unchain Dogs

- President, Amanda Arrington, updated Board on general policies and practices used when building fences for clients.
- To date 36 fenced yards have been built in Orange County and 29 families are on a wait list.
- Bob Marotto and the Board expressed concern about length of wait list and discussed with Ms Arrington and Lori Hensley (Dir of Operations and Development) strategies to increase number of volunteers to speed up the process. It was stressed that a point person is needed to lead, coordinate and oversee activities in Orange County
- Overall, the Board is very pleased with the efforts of the Coalition, and looks forward to assisting with increasing volunteers and finding a point person to run the program in Orange County.
- Next Partner Profile, Board unanimously approved inviting Paws4Ever to present at the August meeting.

### **New Business**

Topic A – Petsmart Welcome Wagon- Lori Lumpkin

- Reviewed the Welcome Wagon program for transporting dogs from the southeast to the northeast for adoption.

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- Discussed the logistics of doing so involving the allocation of staff time and whether it was possible to isolate animals for the period required prior to transport.
- There was strong support for Lori Lumpkin's suggestion that she obtain information from programs presently involved in this program.
- Future discussion to be conducted on the basis of such information.

Topic B - New Animal Services Statistics- Drew Brinkley, Assistant Shelter Manager

- Mr Brinkley explained documents and tables which related shelter activities in a very usable and understandable manner, much improved over out-dated software used in the past.
- Intake trending downward, perhaps related to targeted spay/neuter program
- Mr. Brinkley introduced new monthly statistics focused on field services (animal control activities).
- Bob Marotto showed county maps with municipal and township boundaries to delineating locations of Animal Control activities

Topic C - Budget Update from Bob Marotto

- Budget resolution adopted by BOCC
- Animal Services Operating Budget adopted as recommended by County Manager

Meeting adjourned at: 8:30 p.m.  
Name of Minute Taker Kris Bergstrand