

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF TARRANT
CITY OF GRAPEVINE

The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee of the City of Grapevine, Texas met in Regular Session on the 9th day of September, 2014 at 12:30 p.m. in the Training Room of the Grapevine Police Department, 307 W. Dallas Road, Grapevine, Texas 76051, with the following members present to-wit:

Lt. Ronald Hudson	Chair, Grapevine Police Department
Joy Mayo	Member, Grapevine Citizen
Debra Brantner	Member, Animal Services Supervisor, Hurst
Dr. Jason Steinle	Member, Veterinarian
Nancy Snyder	Member, Grapevine Citizen
Kristina Valentine	Member, Grapevine Animal Services

constituting a quorum, with the following liaison and staff members present:

Duff O'Dell	Grapevine City Council Liaison
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CALL TO ORDER

Ronald Hudson called the meeting to order at 12:37 p.m.

Ronald Hudson was nominated by Jason Steinle for Chairperson 2014-2015. Nancy Snyder seconded the nomination and there were no objections. Lt. Hudson was appointed Chairperson.

ITEM 1. CITIZEN COMMENTS

Robert Matthews, requested the Shelter consider expanding the outdoor holding kennels for the dogs

ITEM 2. CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES

The Committee was provided a copy of the March 4, 2014 meeting minutes. Nancy Snyder made a motion to approve the minutes, and Jason Steinle seconded. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Brantner, Hudson, Mayo, Snyder, Steinle, and Valentine

Nays: None

ITEM 3. SHELTER STATISTICS

Statistics were reported as follows:

Adoptions	154
Died	1
Euthanized	116
Impounded (Includes domestic and wild)	506
Redeemed	128
Released (Wildlife)	67
Transferred (Placement Partner)	84

Euthanasia Breakdown

Agg/Bite	22
Feral	31
Ill	20
Other (space, age, etc.)	39
Wild (injured or can't release)	4

Euthanasia Rates

22% of all domestic and wild animals

11% of animals that were NOT feral/wildlife/or bite case involved

7% of animals that were NOT feral/wildlife/bite case/required more medical care than we could provide

No action was taken by the Committee.

ITEM 4. DISCUSS CURRENT ISSUES

The committee discussed the following items:

- How to determine adoptability of animals in the care of the shelter. The HSUS standards on euthanasia was introduced and how the shelter may be able to benefit from using a similar model.
- New animal management software. The shelter will soon be using PetPoint as a shelter tool. We will participate in their low-cost microchip program and their gift of insurance to adopters. It will track animals, owners, records, and statistics far better than our program now.
- Vaccination and other services for animals. The animals in our care need to receive care comparable to other shelters. We plan to vaccinate and sterilize before adoption soon (projected early 2015). The logistics and planning for an increase in service fees must be arranged for first. We need to do a comparison (of surrounding shelters/cities) and make a proposal to City Council.

No action was taken by the Committee.

ITEM 5. DISCUSS UPCOMING EVENTS

The following events are planned:

- Vaccine Clinic at Grapevine Animal Services 11/15
- Adoption Event TCAP in Hurst 9/20

- Adoption Event at St. Francis Church in Grapevine 10/4
- Super Adoption at Grapevine Mills Mall 10/18
- Grapevine Police Department Open House 10/18
- Recycle/Adoption at Grapevine Animal Services 11/15

Nancy Snyder received information about a seminar that we may have interest in hosting in the spring. It focuses on calming animals using touch which can be very helpful in stressed shelter animals. Kristina Valentine was assigned to investigate the seminar further and work with the Police Department Training Coordinator on the matter.

No action was taken by the Committee.

ITEM 6. INFORMATION ON NEW ACO

Alan Berning was hired as the third staff person for the shelter. He started at the beginning of June and will be receiving training for his Basic ACO Certification.

No action was taken by the Committee.

ITEM 7. UPDATE ON SHELTER REMODEL

The shelter remodel is nearing completion. The glass walls are installed for the new adoption visit room, free roaming cat area, and cat adoption area. Painting has been done along with lighting, ductwork, and flooring. The dog area floor is being refinished this week and through the weekend. We are making plans to purchase two glass fronted kennels and furnishings for the cat area. Also, a kennel was purchased to house up to two small dogs.

An open house will be planned and it was proposed that we should make a presentation to City Council around the same time regarding Animal Services and who we are/what we offer.

ADJOURNMENT

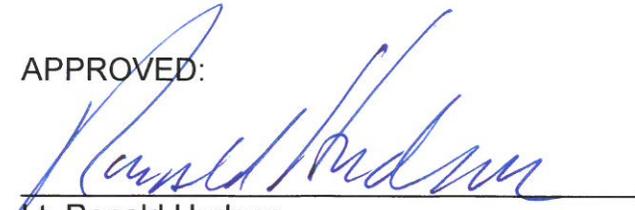
The next meeting date was set for December 3, 2014 at 1 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Nancy Snyder offered a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:38 p.m. and Jason Steinle seconded. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Brantner, Hudson, Mayo, Snyder, Steinle, and Valentine
Nays: None

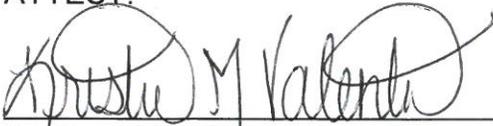
PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF GRAPEVINE, TEXAS on this the ____ day of _____, 2014.

APPROVED:



Lt. Ronald Hudson
Chair

ATTEST:



Kristina Valentine
Committee Secretary