

Forsyth County

Animal Control Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

January 19, 2012

Charles Cahill, Chair
Priscilla Ivester, Vice-Chair
Bruce Bailiff
Dr. Harris Craig
Toby Cranfill
Mitch Cromer
Marsha Crumpler
Albert Jacobs
Keith Murphy
Marcia Potter
Jennifer Tierney

Members Present

Bruce Bailiff Charles Cahill Dr. Brad Craig Toby Cranfill Mitch Cromer Marsha Crumpler Priscilla Ivester Keith Murphy Marcia Potter Jennifer Tierney

Staff Present:

Lt John Day Tim Jennings Judy Blevins Kim Hawks Melanie Pringle Yevonne Sanborn Matt Smith

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Charles Cahill at 6:00 P.M.

Minutes

A motion was made by Keith Murphy to accept minutes of the November 17th meeting as written and seconded by Mitch Cromer and approved by the members present.

Public Comment

Kim Thore and John Epstein spoke to the Advisory Board about proposed revisions to Jackson's Law.

Old Business

- 5 Year Plan Tim Jennings reviewed with board members an updated draft, including Programs and Performance Measures and discussed some of the department's special programs including Hiking Hounds, Project Pearl and Stay Together Program. Wake Forest student's post adoption survey was discussed including some of the performance gaps in shelter services, including the need for dog training and lack of staffing to counsel potential adopters more thoroughly.
- Modification of Shelter hours was discussed including possible need for the advisory board to
 provide a recommendation in order to better serve the needs of the public and increase
 adoption.
- There was discussion of surveying public opinion regarding services and community needs.
 Anticipated timing for the survey is expected to be within the next month. The survey is
 planned to solicit information from shareholders, animal welfare organizations and
 veterinarians/associations to provide input from various disciplines serviced by Forsyth
 County Animal Control.

New Business

- Hearing Tribunal The next Tribunal hearings will be held on February 16, 2012 by Priscilla Ivester, Marcia Potter and Dr. Brad Craig. The February 23, 2012 Tribunal Hearings will be held by Keith Murphy, Marsha Crumpler and Bruce Bailiff. A proposed schedule for 2012 Tribunal Hearings will be provided at the March Advisory Board meeting.
- Tim Jennings handed out Statistics for the December 2011 showing an increase from last year in calls received, adoptions, animal impounded, revenue, and number of animals redeemed, euthanasia, animal bites and animal licenses issued. There was a decrease in calls number of citations and violations.
- Election of new officers for the 2012/2013 Advisory board was completed with the election of Dr. Brad Craig as Chairman and Bruce Bailiff as Vice Chairman.

Adjourn

Keith Murphy made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm and was second by Charles Cahill.