

Lane County Animal Services Advisory

October 12, 2015
Meeting Summary

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<http://www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/Parks/LCAS/Pages/AnimalServicesAdvisoryCommittee.aspx>

Members Present: Dr. Bill Young, David Calderwood, Scott Bartlett, Dr. DuWayne Penfold, Jan Shelton, Tamara Banavige
Members Absent: Dale Hyland
Staff Present: Dave Stockdale
Guests Present: Cary Lieberman, Jaclyn Rudebeck – Greenhill Humane Society
Public Present (signed in): none

Co-Chair Banavige called the meeting to order at 3:09 p.m.

0:00:00 – 0:16:45 Welcome/Public Comment/Questions and Discussion with Audience

- Committee discussed cancellation of the August meeting and the current status of the Greenhill contract with Lane County.
- Committee discussed and agreed to the creation of an interested parties email list that would receive information about the LCAS Advisory Committee, including updates about meetings, agendas, etc.

0:04:40 – 0:05:08 Changes/Additions to Agenda

- There were no changes to the agenda

0:05:09 – 0:16:58 Review of Meeting Summary of Recorded Minutes

- General discussion about new format of recorded minutes and the Meeting Summary provided. Mr. Bartlett expressed his dissatisfaction of the new procedure and requested a copy of any memorandum received regarding how/why this change was implemented. Further discussion and support of the new procedure by the committee.
- No approval of Meeting Summary since the summary sheet was unavailable at the time of this meeting

0:16:59 – 1:24:29 Greenhill Activities at 1st Ave. Shelter, Lane County Animal Services Activity, and Rabies Reporting

- 0:17:40 Discussion of Greenhill vacancy and general operations
- 0:20:50 Discussion about who sets policy of which animals are accepted and which animals are not
- 0:21:44 Discussion about rabies vaccinations and microchipping of dogs at the shelter. Further discussion about rabies vaccination for cats and rabies in general.
- 0:33:20 Discussion about general trends for animal impoundment and abandonment.
- 0:46:48 Clarification about what the 1st Avenue Shelter can take in for impounds.
- 0:51:20 Update about on the status of Greenhill's contract
- 1:00:30 Discussion on dog bites. Mr. Calderwood requested that LCAS staff work with Environmental Services to receive all reports of dog bits in Lane County. Staff agreed that once that information is available to LCAS they will work to put together a report and present that information to the committee.

1:24:30 – 1:32:36 Senate Bill 6 Discussion (Licensing of Rescue Facilities)

- Discussion about the requirement that all rescues within Lane County, as defined by the state, must be licensed and registered with Lane County Animal Services. Clarification that Senate Bill 6 does not address importation or shipment of animals. Discussion about the need to be sure that we are doing all we can to protect pets.
- Discussion about the status of Lane County implementing the rules of Senate Bill 6. There is a proposal to Lane County Counsel that is under review. Staff anticipates receiving the outcome of that review soon.

1:32:37 – 1:40:49 Animal Abuse Reporting/Link Between Childhood Abuse and Later Criminality, Violence, Etc.

- Mr. Bartlett discussed findings about how individuals who were known to abuse animals were more likely to commit other crimes (*specific percentages given in the discussion*). He provided a suggestion that whenever animal abuse is reported there is a need to cross-reporting among agencies. Committee supported this suggestion and further information about what is being done to ensure that there is cross-reporting between agencies when animal abuse occurs.
- Discussion about how to get more information out about the need to get your pet licensed and how this could help reduce cruelty to animals.
- Greenhill provided further information about the increased punishments associated with animal abuse in the presence of a child as part of Senate Bill 6 and about some current cross-reporting in association with the Multi-Disciplinary Task Force.

1:40:50 – 1:51:19 Policy Updates Regarding Local Contacts for Breed Specific Rescue and Also a Policy to Contact The Second Person Listed on Microchip Registrations

- Ms. Shelton discussed the common practice of breeders listing their contact information as the second option contact on microchips. This is done because most breeders would prefer to retake possession of an animal that came from their kennel. Discussion about Greenhill's procedure about contacting breed specific breeders and reinforcement of the need to contact the breeder and to be sure that this is a part of the release policy.
- Discussion about licensing media materials and that LCAS staff will make a presentation about this and the spay/neuter program at next month's meeting.
- General discussion about vendor and individual licensing.

1:51:20 Adjourn

The next meeting will be November 9, 2015.

The meeting ended at 5:00 p.m.

Minutes Recorder

Dave Stockdale, Supervising Analyst