## ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MEETING MINUTES

Date: May 21, 2019	Location:	Orange County Facilities Training Room 2350 E Michigan Street Orlando, FL 32806
Meeting called to order by:	Chair Nanette P. Parratto-Wagner	Time: 6:30 p.m.
		Meeting adjourned at: 7:10 p.m.

## **MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Nanette P. Parratto-Wagner, Chair Frayda Morris, Vice Chair Lisa A. Franchina Richard Risser Porscha Scott Paul Wean

## STAFF

Yolanda Martinez, Director, Health Services John Goodrich, Deputy Director, Health Services Kristin Tsukamoto, Program Manager, Communications Christina Cowgill-Fiorito, Program Manager, Clinic Carmen Susan Glotfelty Ortiz, Veterinarian

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APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 16, 2019, 6:30 p.m. at Orange County Facilities Training Room, 2010 E Michigan Street; Orlando, FL 32806

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ITEM#	TOPIC	ACTIONS TAKEN/DISCUSSION/ASSIGNED
1.	Welcome/Roll Call	6:30 p.m. All were present
2.	Approval of Minutes	April 2019 minutes were approved with amendments.
3.	Manager's Report	Dr. Yolanda Martinez, Director, Orange County Health Services, was introduced. John Goodrich stated that the search for a new Manager of Animal Services and new Assistant Manager of Animal Services continues.
4.	Old business	Rescue Me Orlando's status as a rescue partner was discussed. The board wanted the record to reflect that they had never expressed agreement to Rescue Me Orlando's contract reinstatement as stated in the memo from County Administrator Byron Brooks. Nanette P. Parratto-Wagner requested that a review of Rescue Me Orlando's status be conducted every 90 days. Goodrich indicated that this is being done. He stated that Rescue Me Orlando's website and online pages is being monitored and pointed out that the language and rhetoric has been positive.
		adoption packets be developed that provided information regarding dog flu. Kristin Tsukamoto agreed that the suggestion will be considered.
5.	New Business	Grant Approvals
		1. Lil Rascals Dog Rescue – approved

		2. Furry Nation Salvation – approved
		As available grant funds are close to depletion, the possibility of extending the grant fund's cap was discussed.
		Testing of wildlife for rabies was discussed. Wagner presented screen shots of a Facebook posting by citizens concerned about comments by an Animal Services Officer concerning the visual diagnosis of the health of a wild animal. Goodrich noted that field diagnosis is not part of the officer's duties and stated that this will be discussed with management to insure compliance.
		Guest speaker Raymond Roe, from the Florida Department of Health explained that testing of wildlife is based on human contact only.
		Wagner suggested that more could be done to educate the public on the danger of rabies. Tsukamoto stated that education camps for children are being planned that include bite prevention. Officers involved in situations where wild or feral animal contact is possible discuss the danger of rabies with citizens during the investigations.
		Paul Wean attended the MMRB meeting to speak on the subject of the Orange County Animal Services Advisory Board's resolution regarding Allie's Law. A recording of that section of the meeting was distributed to the board. All members expressed dismay at what they perceived as unprofessional behavior at the MMRB meeting, and several stated they were thinking of attending the next meeting.
7.	Public Comments	Citizen Vanessa Rodriguez spoke about her recent dog bite and had questions regarding the rabies quarantine period and protocols. Tsukamoto requested her contact information so that her concerns could be follow up.
8.	Adjournment	7:30 p.m meeting adjourned.

The full audio recording of this meeting is available upon request.