

ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Date: July 21, 2020

Meeting called to order by: Chair Paul Wean

Location: WEBEX

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Minutes recorded/transcribed by: Linda Hull

Meeting adjourned at: 7:25 p.m.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Paul Wean, Chair

Nanette Parratto-Wagner, Vice Chair

Rosina McVicker

Matthew Thorne

Janet Williams

STAFF

Diane Summers, Manager

Kristin Tsukamoto, Communications

Linda Hull, Administrative Assistant

Minutes Approved_____

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ITEM#	TOPIC	ACTIONS TAKEN/DISCUSSION/ASSIGNED
1.	Welcome/Roll Call	6:30 p.m.
2.	Approval of Minutes	June minutes were approved.
3.	Manager's Report	<p>Diane Summers gave the manager's report. OCAS was closed from ____ to July 19 due to several staff members testing positive for Covid19. Virtual adoptions continued during this time.</p> <p>Saturday, June 27 OCAS hosted a pet food giveaway at Barnett Park. This event was attended by over ____ citizens who expressed their gratitude.</p> <p>Paul Wean asked if there was an increase in animal abandonment cases. Summers stated that this has not happened but is anticipated if the community housing situation worsens.</p>
4.	Old business	<p>A discussion commenced regarding the board making recommendations for an Animal Abuse Registry and Backyard Breeders Ordinance for Orange County.</p> <p>Wean referenced an email sent to the board members with information regarding Backyard Breeding Ordinances in other counties. Summers advised that If the board would like to be more proactive in introducing changes, it was suggested that they research other county's efforts and present specific suggestions.</p> <p>Wean requested that the board vote to permit him to draft measures to present to County Commissioners. This was passed unanimously.</p>
5.	New Business	<p>Nanette Wagner opened a discussion regarding OCAS's policy regarding feral cats, concerned that cats who are fearful or ear-tipped are being placed in the feral room and overlooked as potential pets.</p>

		<p>Kristin Tsukamoto assured the board that cats that present initially as fearful and are housed in the special needs room are evaluated almost daily by several staff members. Those cats that are deemed friendly are moved to the general population and eligible for adoption.</p> <p>Wagner expressed concern that the feral or special needs room enables illness to be spread throughout the population as OCAS does not have a space that is truly isolated.</p> <p>Summers promised to send her the medical protocols for cats with illnesses.</p> <p>Matthew Thorne was introduced as the new board member representing Orange County Sheriff's Office.</p> <p>Paul Wean presented an update on animal related bills that are before the Florida Legislature.</p>
6.	Public Comments	There were no public comments.
7.	Adjournment	7:25 p.m. - meeting adjourned

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