

**ORANGE COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES  
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES**

**Date: March 16, 2021**

**Location: WEBEX  
Orange County Facilities Training Room  
2350 E Michigan Street  
Orlando, FL 32806**

**Meeting called to order by: Chair Nanette Parratto-Wagner**

**Time: 6:34 p.m.**

**Minutes recorded/transcribed by: Linda Hull**

**Meeting adjourned at: 7:30 p.m.**

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**MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Nanette Parratto-Wagner  
Rosina McVicker  
Matthew Thorne  
Frayda Morris  
Erica Higgins \*virtual  
Janet Williams \*virtual

**STAFF**

Diane Summers, Manager  
Peggy Meeks, Assistant Manager  
Linda Hull, Administrative Assistant

**Minutes Approved \_\_\_\_\_**

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February 16, 2021**

ITEM#	TOPIC	ACTIONS TAKEN/DISCUSSION/ASSIGNED
1.	Welcome/Roll Call	6:32 p.m.
2.	Approval of Minutes	February minutes were approved
3.	Manager's Report	<p>Diane Summers gave the manager's report stating that OCAS has started preparations for kitten season with special attention paid to the Wait 'til 8 and Foster Care programs.</p> <p>Summers announced that the Animal Services Trust fund totals \$196,000. She asked for Board approval to use \$50,000 of this money for the Spay &amp; Neuter Voucher program to fund the remainder of 2021. This was approved.</p> <p>Originally, some of the money was to be requested for the Pet Food Giveaway, but Science Diet has donated 10 pallets of food.</p>
4.	Old business	No old business was discussed.
5.	New Business	<p>\$2,500 Grants were approved for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A New Beginning Pet Rescue</li> <li>Catapalooza</li> <li>Kindness for Cats</li> <li>New Beginnings, A Pet Sanctuary</li> <li>Spay &amp; Neuter Nation</li> </ul> <p>Rosina McVicker was asked by a citizen to propose a policy in which the public could turn in stray dogs directly to rescue groups who would in turn bring the dogs to be registered at OCAS and then returned to the rescue group after the five day hold for spay/neuter and any other medical treatments.</p> <p>Summers stated this would be counter to the existing Florida Statutes.</p>

6.	Public Comments	<p>Nanette Parratto-Wagner suggested that the Florida Statue regarding lost and found pets be displayed more prominently on the OCAS web page.</p> <p>McVicker asked when OCAS sets animal traps, how often are the traps checked for occupants. Peggy Meeks answered that the policy is to check traps every eight hours.</p> <p>Janet Williams requested that the Board meeting in April include a discussion of the availability of human rabies vaccines for persons involved in TNR and cat colonies. Meeks replied that this is under the control of the Florida Department of Health, not Orange County. Summers will attempt to get a representative from the state to attend this discussion at the April Board meeting.</p> <p>Bill Gaston of CARE thanked OCAS management and staff for their cooperation in the TNR programs, stating that 2021 was the busiest year yet. He suggested a public reach-out program with information regarding animal trapping and stray animal laws</p>
7.	Adjournment	7:30

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