



February 21,2017

Animal Control Board Members:

**Don McMillian
Jim Carter
Millard Hall**

Clayton County Police Department :

**Major Robinson
Captain Thuman
Lt Lytton
Brittini Daniels**

- **The above were in attendance for the Animal Control Board Meeting on February 21,2017 at 7:00 pm..**

- **Captain Thuman began the meeting stating that Claudia Deguzman had officially resigned from the board. Commissioner Edmondson will need to appoint a new board member.**

- **Captain Thuman stated next that Gloria McCain has resigned her Commission as the Animal Control Board Chairman and has submitted her request to the Board of Commissioners.**

- **Captain Thuman advised the board they needed to elect a new Chairman.**

- **As Vice Chairman, Dr. McMillian will conduct the remainder of this board meeting.**

- **Captain Thuman has asked the board what their intentions are for the monies they have raised for animal control.**

- Board member Jim Carter mad a motion that the monies should go to Advocate group Partners for pets. Captain Thuman advised the board that Monies need to go through our legal department. The board needs to advise Legal where they want the monies to go ie: food, medicines, or whatever is Agreed upon by the board.
- Dr. McMillian tabled the issue for a later date when al board members are Present.
- Mr. Millard Hall questioned if the board had the authority to collect monies Through fund raisers.
- Jim Carter asked Captain Thuman if animal control help petty cash. Captain Thuman replied no. Major Robinson responded that the police department had tried to implement a petty cash system to no avail.
- Captain Thuman discussed the maintenance that was taking place at the Jonesboro location. Many issues arised once construction began and has a delayed the reopening of the facility to March 06,2017. He assured the the animal control unit is taking priorty one calls and making every effort to keeping our intake numbers as low as possible.
- Jim Carter asked how the new facility located in Ellenwood was doing. Captain Thuman advised the facility was getting a lot of traffic from Citizens and adoptions were up. Major Robinson advised that rescue groups Are a great help as well as help has been offered by many other facilities.
- Lt. Lytton advised the board of the recent statistics. For 2016: Intake was 3,930 The number of animals rescued: 2,365 . The number of adoptions : 408. The number reclaimed: 377. The total number euthanized: 145. For 2017 so far Intake: 1,477 Rescued: 196 Adopted: 102 Reclaimed: 50 Euthanized: 13.
- Captain Thuman advised the board there have been zero positive rabies cases Reported.
- Dr. McMillian has asked the staff what the board can do to help animal control.
- Captain Thuman replied that any help is very much appreciated. Wet dog food Is always needed as well as getting the word out about our animals .
- Dr. McMillian asked if the surgical room at the new facility was close to being ready. Captain Thuman replied that we are still in the process of ordering more equipment. Captain Thuman also stated to the board that the custom made cat room and puppy room cages had arrived and were set to be installed soon.

- **Dr. McMillian inquired if the microchip system had come in. Captain Thuman advised him the system was in and are being used on reclaimed animals. Captain Thuman also advised the board the we are also extending the microchip program to Clayton County citizens for a \$25.00 fee. Captain Thuman also stated that he would like for all animals leaving the facility to be microchipped.**
- **Dr. McMillian asked if Dr. Howard was issuing health certificates on dogs leaving. Captain Thuman advised him Major Green was currently working on a new ordinance.**
- **Captain Thuman had a request from Major Green asking the board to please Not schedule animal control board meeting on the 1st or 3rd Tuesday of the Month. These date conflict with his schedule due to the Board of Commissioners meetings.**
- **Dr. McMillian asked the board if they had any questions. Mr.Carter replied that He would like the board to bring awareness to the citizens of Clayton County About spaying and neutering their animals. He suggested getting in touch with The water authority and placing a notice on the bill.**
- **Captain Thuman advised the board that Assistant Commander Paige Turner has made contact with a low cost spay/neuter mobile unit group about having some clinics at our facility. The boards help in promoting this event would be extremely helpful.**
- **Captain Thuman asked the board if they wanted to conduct an election for the new chairman. Mr. Carter nominated Dr. McMillian to fill the position. All board members were in favor. Mr. Carter nominated Mr. Millard Hall to be Vice Chairman of the board. All were in favor.**
- **Dr. Mcmillian noted to the board that the next board meeting would be May 9,2017 at 7:00pm.**
- **Dr. McMillian adjourned the meeting.**