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Manatee County Animal Services Advisory Board

Manatee County Animal Advisory Board Meeting
June 26, 2018

In attendance:

Lisa Barnott, Katie Howard, Lisa Williams, Gerald Thomas, Sarah Brown, MCAS Chief

Meeting called to order by Chair, Lisa Barnott at 5:50 pm

1. Approval of May, 2018 meeting minutes.
2. Division Chief Updates given by Sarah Brown:
 - A. Current census: 196 dogs, 136 cats
 - B. Upcoming Rescue Roundup Oct. 3, Best Friends will be there, to be held at Manatee Community Foundation.
 - C. A proclamation of Shelter and Rescue Appreciation Week to be announced at a county commission meeting in November.
 - D. Adoptapalooza to be held August 4.
 - E. Heartworm treatment for shelter dogs has been moved to 'in-house', 32 treatments had been done so far. Veterinary team is working together and doing very well.
 - F. More frequent volunteer orientations, held Wednesday evenings when shelter is open late. 300 volunteers in the database.
 - G. July 4th promotion of adoptions: \$4 adoption fees.
3. Discussion of mandatory spay/neuter. Gerald Thomas suggests being proactive instead of always being reactive. There is still no consensus on presenting mandatory spay or neuter to the commission, when a dog or cat enters the system for the first time. Discussed the need to find data on spay and neuter and bite cases in certain zip codes, can get information from ARC and the humane society.
4. New discussion on using a microchip as a county license. Need to research any laws concerning the chip/license and the cost involved.
5. Sarah Brown reported that David Doyens does not wish to remain on the advisory board. There is a need for a veterinarian on the Manatee County Animal Advisory Board.
6. Next meeting scheduled for July 17, 2018.
7. Meeting adjourned 7:07 pm.

Next meeting was set for July 17, 2018.

Meeting adjourned.

Lisa Williams, Secretary

I. Adjournment