

STATE OF TEXAS  
 COUNTIES OF POTTER & RANDALL  
 CITY OF AMARILLO

**MINUTES**

On May 9, 2018, the Animal Management & Welfare Advisory Board met at 5:30 p.m. in the Council meeting room to discuss the agenda, in the City Council Chamber located on the third floor of City Hall at 509 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, with the following members present:

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD SINCE APPOINTMENT	NO. OF MEETINGS ATTENDED
Melanie Davidson	Yes	07	07
Dr. Kellie Dodson DVM	Yes	14	14
AJ Fawver	Yes	03	03
Dale Potter	Yes	13	10
Christopher Wrampelmeier	Yes	11	11

Also in attendance were:

Richard Havens	Director, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Kevin Moon	Field Services Manager, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Raymond Chavez	Shelter Manager, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Stacy Smith, DVM	Shelter Veterinarian, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Clay Martin	Shelter Volunteer Coordinator, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Jeffna Cox	Administrative Tech, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Elisa Yara	Office Manager, AM&W, City of Amarillo
Larry Milam	Executive Director, Amarillo-Panhandle Humane Society
Chase Steinmetz	TNR Coordinator, Amarillo-Panhandle Humane Society

**ITEM 1:** Chris Wrampelmeier called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Amarillo Animal Management & Welfare Advisory Board to order at 5:30 P.M.

**Public Hearing:**

No Public Comments

**ITEM 2:** The approval of the Amarillo Animal Management & Welfare Advisory Board minutes of February 7, 2018, was approved 4:0.

The approval of Amarillo Animal Management & Welfare Advisory Board minutes of March 7, 2018, was approved 4:0.

**ITEM 3:** Richard Havens presented summary of departmental operations and updates for AAM&W.

**Feb 2017 vs. Feb 2018:** Total intake down 5%; stray dogs down 17%, stray cats down 19%, owner surrenders up 103%, bites up 13%, reclaims down 26%, adoptions down 20%, transported to rescue down 8%, TNR up 65%, animals leaving through efforts of Amarillo Panhandle Humane Society down 10%, euthanasia up 3%, adjusted euthanasia up 27%, total EU rate 27% adjusted EU rate 22%. Live release 72% with adjusted live release rate 77%.

**March 2017 vs. March 2018:** total intake up 18%, stray dogs up 8%, stray cats down 15%, owner surrenders up 94%, bites were up 2%, reclaims up 11%, adoptions up 43%, transport to rescue down 20%, TNR down 23%, animals leaving through efforts of Amarillo Panhandle Humane Society up 1.5%, total euthanasia down 16%, adjusted euthanasia was down 30%, EU rate under 20%, adjusted EU 11%, live release 80%, adjusted under 90%

**April 2017 vs. April 2018:** total intake up 4%, stray dogs up 3%, stray cats down 16%, owner surrenders up 32%, bites up 4%, reclaims up 22%, adoptions were flat, transport to rescue down 11%, TNR down 32%, total animals leaving through efforts of Amarillo Panhandle Humane Society down 8%, total euthanasia down 7% , adjusted euthanasia was down 10%, euthanasia rate of total intake under 22%

down the large dog food bags and fill up smaller bags of dry dog food to make available to citizen's in need of dry dog food.

Surrender Prevention Program has presented itself to have a behaviorist available to talk with families that are considering surrendering their pet(s). The program has interactive training for pet owners to help them with pet behavioral issues.

Volunteer Orientation program will be implemented each month. May 12, 2018, will kick off the first Volunteer Program Orientation. The application to become a volunteer can be found the website: [amw.amarillo.gov](http://amw.amarillo.gov).

Item 5: Larry Milam presented summary of operations and updates for Amarillo Panhandle Humane Society. Since the beginning of 2018, 1026 animals have been sent out to rescue, APHS adoptions were 713 (31 fewer than 2017). In the month of March 2018, APHS went live with dog adoptions at Petsmart with 136 in February to 248 in March. Adjusted live release rate in March was 89.3% and in April went to 85% due to the adoptions that happening at Petsmart. In the report Target Zero identified Larry Milam as the biggest obstacle preventing high release rate in the community. APHS charges high adoption fee vs. Target Zero's recommended rate of \$35.00 for a dog adoption and \$10.00 for a cat adoption. APHS is planning on aggressive fundraising. A telethon is in the works where the community can make donations to APHS. Another fund raiser is Barks and Brews at Starlight Ranch to facilitate large donations. Several other events are on the calendar to promote fund raising for APHS. Applying for grants is in the process to build on out of state rescue transports. Also grant money will fund a new building to conduct a full in house service spay/neuter program by APHS.

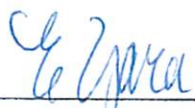
Item 6: Discussion on future agenda items: Updates on the results of community engagement on the proposed ordinance changes and updates from City Legal Department on rewrites of proposed ordinance changes.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

This meeting was recorded and all comments are on file with the City Secretary Office.

  
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Dale Potter, Chair Person

ATTEST:

  
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Elisa Yara, Office Manager,  
Animal Management & Welfare Dept.