### **MINUTES**

On November 4, 2020, the Animal Management & Welfare Advisory Board met at 5:06 p.m. via Zoom to discuss the agenda.

VOTING MEMBERS	PRESENT	NO. MEETINGS HELD	NO. OF MEETINGS
		SINCE APPOINTMENT	ATTENDED
Stacy Grant	No	04	00
			02
Matt Hite	Yes	04	04
Charlie Sanchez	Yes	03	03
Eddie Sauer	Yes	03	03
Christopher Wrampelmeier	Yes	16	16

Also, in attendance were:

Victoria Medley Director, Municipal Court, City of Amarillo

Courtney White Attorney, City of Amarillo

Rob Sherwin Interim Director, AM&W, City of Amarillo Laura Storrs Assistant City Manager, City of Amarillo

Elisa Yara Admin Operations Manager, AM&W, City of Amarillo

### ITEM 1: Public Comment: None

## ITEM 2: Minutes:

Chris Wrampelmeier, Chair, called the regularly scheduled meeting of the Amarillo Animal Management & Welfare Advisory Board to order at 5:06 P.M. The motion to approve the Minutes from Regular Meeting, January 29, 2020, was made with one correction. The motion carried 3:0.

## **ITEM 3**: Introduction of New Interim Director Robert Sherwin:

Rob Sherwin comes with 33 years of law enforcement. He helped Dallas Animal Services for 9 months to help organize field management and shelter operations. Rob is looking to implement a Daily Report Card that will post on the Shelter's website to be visible to the public. He immediately opened up field operations to picking up stray animals. He wants to create transparency with capacity reporting from the Shelter. Rob wants to empower people to make good decisions and support them when decisions are challenged. Rob sees a future with Texas Tech Vet School to work together to train new Vets in Shelter medicine.

Staffing Update: Victoria Medley, worked on getting Trainee's certified. She secured a State Trainer to come and facilitate the training for the 5 Animal Management Officer Trainee's. They completed a 5 day training and are officially AMO I.

New building will be completed by end of November with office furnishings to arrive in December. There will be limited access to AMW during the current COVID 19 protocols. Appointments will be made for adoptions and reclaims. AMW website is getting updated with new ways to connect with the department and to maintain open communication with the public while respecting social distancing.

# <u>Item 4: Identify Future Agenda Items:</u>

Update on new building progress.

Updates on programs.

Updates on staffing issues

## Item 5: Schedule and set agenda for next meeting:

January 27, 2021 is next scheduled Advisory Board Meeting via Zoom.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:46 P.M.

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

Christopher Wrampelmeier, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Elisa Yara, Admin Operations Manager, Animal Management & Welfare Dept.