

**Monterey County of Monterey Animal Control Program Advisory Board
Meeting Minutes**

Thursday, December 17, 2015-3:30-5:00 PM

Location:

Monterey County Animal Services Center
160 Hitchcock Rd, Salinas CA 93906

I. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 3:36 pm

A minimum of 5 members are present and a quorum is established.

Members present:

Mary Arnold, Appointee of the Director of Health
Tom Collier, Representing District 1- Supervisor Armenta
Tom Bailey, Appointee of the Director of Health
Linda Sanders, Representing District 4 – Supervisor Parker

Members Absent:

Basil Smith, Representing District 3- Supervisor Salinas
Dr. Al Chan, Representing District 5- Supervisor Potter
Nannette Newbury, Representing District 2- Supervisor Phillips
Marcella Zobel, Appointee of the Director of Health
Nancy Treffry, Appointee of the Director of Health

Ex Officio Members Present:

None

County of Monterey Staff:

Mike Richards, Interim Manager, Animal Services
Rebecca Cenicerros, Deputy County Counsel
Jennifer Lamb, Animal Services

Public Attendees:

None

Introductions:

Introductions: Mary Arnold introduced new Board member Linda Sanders, appointee of District 4, Supervisor Parker.

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda:

None

Approval of the Prior Board Meeting Minutes

Minutes were approved for the September 24, 2015 meeting.

II. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PUBLIC:

No Public Comment was made.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was reviewed.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

REPORTS:

Report by Animal Services Management Specialist on program updates:

Mike Richards reported that Management Partners had completed the study of possible consolidation of Monterey County Animals Services with the City of Salinas Animal Services. At this time the two parties are viewing details of the findings. Mr. Richards asked for the opinion of board members regarding a possible merger. The Board responded that they would like to know more about the findings. A question was asked if there has been any investigating of creating a 501 C3 Charity to help both agencies. Mr. Richards responded no, but that it might be something to look into.

Mr. Richards also reported that Animal Services held a Vaccination Clinic at the shelter, and it was very successful. Over 200 animals were vaccinated, and Animal Services took in almost \$5000.00. AWAG donated microchips for the animals, and the county waived late penalties for expired license tags. It was such a tremendous success that Animal Services will conduct another Vaccine Clinic in King City. He also reported that during the month of December, adoption fees would be half off. AWAG has approached Animal Services with regards to being able to use the facilities. Animal Services would like to pursue allowing this in exchange for additional spay/neuter services. Mr. Richards reports that Animal Services would begin to actively enforce the County Rooster Ordinance after January.

At this time, the meeting was temporarily adjourned due to an emergency of a board member at 4:03p.m, and was then reconvened at 4:23p.m. with all members of quorum listed present.

A brief discussion was held regarding the possibility of having animal training videos created by some of the County's animal professionals. After discussion, a motion was made to approach noted animal professionals on the Peninsula to determine if they would be interested in creating training videos on dog issues, such as crate training, dog obedience, and or dog behavioral issues. The motion was seconded and carried. A suggestion was made to ask Shelter Staff what topics they feel should be focused on for the first video. Videos could be made available on the Environmental Health/Animal Services website.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Review of Membership and Vacancy Update:

Mary Arnold reported that Dr. Chan has indicated it is more difficult to attend Board Meetings. . Mary will contact him and find out if the Board Meetings were held at a different time if he believes that would work better.

B. Review of Use of Monterey County Logo for ACPAB Letterhead:

A template of the Monterey County Logo for ACPAB Letterhead was reviewed and selected for approval. A motion was made, seconded and carried to approve the letterhead.

VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND ADJOURMENT

A. Schedule for ACPAB Meetings for 2016

March 17, 2016 Thursday 3:30-5:00pm

June 16, 2016 Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm

September 22,2016 Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm

December 16, 2016 Thursday 3:30-5:00 pm

B. New agenda items:

Under new business: Discussion of Zeuterin, a US Food and Drug approved compound injection used to sterilize male dogs between 3 and 10 months of age. There may also be a need to convene a special Board meeting regarding the consolidation of County and City of Salinas Animal Services.

C. Meeting Adjourned at 4:55pm