



**BROWARD COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Animal Care Advisory Board

Meeting Date

11/13/24

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Time Called to Order:	Time Adjourned:	Location:	Minutes By:
4:04pm	5:35pm	Animal Care and Adoption 2400 SW 42 nd Street Main Conference Room Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33312	Tracey Paige Recording Secretary 201.921.7778
Members Present		Members Absent	Other Participants
Grace Johns - Chair Danny Finkelstein- Vice Chair Tracey Paige- Secretary Susan Claire Kelly Kandibovich Buz Oldaker Cherie Cohn Dr. Lisa Feinstein		Dr. Charlotte Couroyer	Lisette Murado- Administrative Coordinator Doug Brightwell- Executive Director Observers: Kathy Bieniek- Saving Sage Nancy Piacentino – Trapper Ashley Marks- Trapper Mari Bell- Trapper Daniel Iwanski- Concerned Citizen Monique Logtenberg- Concerned Citizen

Item	Action/Discussion/Recommendations	Due Date	Status/Staff Responsible
A. Opened Meeting	Meeting started at 4:04 by Grace Johns Roll call by Lisette Murado	N/A	Grace Johns Lisette Murado
B: Approvals	Minutes approved from 5.29.24 Motion– 1 st - Buz 2 nd Danny		

C. Public Input	<p>5 community members were present to speak about TNR and RTF- General themes are as follows:</p> <p>Trappers want to be able to pick up their cats directly from the shelter</p> <p>Not enough TNR appointments</p> <p>Concern about budget reduction resulting in the amount of vouchers available</p> <p>Is the County open to adding a penny sales tax to support spay/neuter like was done in Miami/Dade- Needs to be brought up to the Commissioners</p> <p>Interested to know how we can fundraise to supplement the sterilization program</p> <p>ACTION: Doug to inquire about whether the public can fundraise to support the above request</p>		<p>Kathy Bieniek</p> <p>Doug Brightwell</p>
D: Discussion	<p>Doug shared that one of the reasons for the reduction in available vouchers is the decrease in tag sales. The County is hiring a vendor to support this program in an effort to increase tag sales.</p>		
E. Old Business	<p>Enforcement Division- Enforcement manager is overseeing revamping of Chapter 4 with a focus on breeding and enforcement.</p> <p>FORT- Trying to get the mobile spay/neuter up and running.</p>		<p>Doug Brightwell</p>
F: New Business	<p>Managing Intake- Shelter is struggling with being over-capacity with dogs</p> <p>Shelter is working on re-establishing relationships with rescues</p> <p>The Broward Humane Society is currently taking 10-15 dogs per week.</p> <p>Analysis of data shows that long term stays (more than 100 days) is down to approximately 25% but dogs of 10 or less is up to approximately 30%</p> <p>Construction of the play yard: Permit process has started</p> <p>Adding a safe sidewalk and steps to the other play yard</p> <p>Expanding surgery recovery area by five additional kennels</p> <p>New Greeting yards- adding benches and gravel</p> <p>Getting a new cover over the incinerator</p>		<p>Doug Brightwell</p>
G: Election of Officers	<p>Grace Johns- Chair- Motion by Danny – Second by Kelly</p> <p>Danny Finkelstein – Vice Chair- Motion by Kelly- Second by Grace</p> <p>Tracey Paige- Secretary- Motion by Buz- Second by Danny</p>		<p>ALL</p>
H: Selection of Dates for Calendar Year 2025	<p>Proposed dates for meetings:</p> <p>1/30, 2/5, 2/6, 3/12,3/13,4/23,4/24,6/25,6/26/,10/8,10/9, 10/22,10/23</p> <p>Dates confirmed are 1/30, 3/13,4/24,6/26, 10/23</p>		<p>Lisette</p>
I: Good and Welfare	<p>Cherie Cohn is resigning from the Advisory Council due to personal reasons</p> <p>Importance of networking with Municipalities</p> <p>Next town hall scheduled for January – will be held quarterly</p> <p>Is there a potential to have a workshop with trappers</p>		<p>Buz</p> <p>Cherie</p> <p>Doug</p> <p>Trappers</p>
Adjournment	<p>Motion to adjourn- 1st Danny – 2nd – Kelly: Meeting adjourned 5:35pm</p>		