Animal Services Advisory Board

December 14, 2006

The Abilene Animal Control Advisory Committee held its third meeting of the year on December 14, 2006 at the Planning and Development conference room.

The Chairman, Dr. Jack Callan, called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.

Members present were Dr. Jack Callan, Alvin O'Dell, Leah Herron, Tom Rigsby and Megan Santee. Also present were Ed McRoy and Christy Frost.

The minutes of the August 10, 2006 meeting were approved as mailed.

The Manager's report was the first item on the agenda. Alvin presented the Customer Service comparison report between 2006 and 2005. Also reported was the Rabies report for Taylor County and website contacts. Alvin reported that all Animal Control Officer's except one received continuing education credits at the Texas Animal Control Assoc. conference here in November. The association received terrific support from the business community in Abilene with donations of gifts and cash for door prizes. Alvin informed all members of the board they would need to complete the Open Records instructional video required by the state by December 31, 2006 or within 90 days of reappointment to the board, which ever comes first.

Officers James Prescott and A.J. Garcia received Cruelty Investigation instruction from A.C.C.I. in Round Rock, Texas.

Officers Joe Helm, A.J. Garcia, Christy Frost and Alvin O'Dell attended the Dog Laws seminar held in Austin on December 9, 2006.

Adoption specials during the month of December from Animal Services, Taylor-Jones Humane Society and Rescue the Animals were discussed.

Alvin reported that Animal Services had lost one shelter attendant and a new attendant had been hired for the shelter. Community Enhancement director Lesli Andrews has been appointed to be an Assistant City Manager. Mr. Ed McRoy has been hired as the Assistant Director of Planning and Development.

Megan Santee said she had not received any response from the proposed By-Laws she presented at the August meeting. The proposal to adopt was tabled and Megan requested that any suggested changes be sent to her by March 1, 2007 to be addressed at the April meeting.

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There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:12 P.M.

Respectfully submitted.

Dr. Jack K. Callan, Chairman Christy Frost, Recording Secretary

Date minutes approved: 12/19/06