

Abilene Animal Services Advisory Board

August 26, 2010

The Abilene Animal Services Advisory Board held a regular meeting on August 26, 2010 at the basement conference room at City Hall.

The Chairman, Dr. Jack Callan, called the meeting to order at 3:34 P.M.

Members present were Dr. Jack Callan, Aaron Vannoy, Megan Santee and Tom Rigsby. Also present Melissa O'Neil representing the Taylor/Jones Humane Society, Andrea Jackson, Caitlyn McCoy, legal intern and Christy Frost, recording secretary.

Dr. Callan asked for any corrections or changes in the minutes of the February 18, 2010 meeting as presented, none were made. Dr Callan made a motion to accept as mailed, seconded by Tom, approved by acclamation.

Aaron Vannoy presented the Manager's report. Aaron reported a significant increase in owner surrenders of animal due to the owner being unable to financially care for their pets. There has also been a decrease in the number of animals picked up running at large being reclaimed by an owner. The number of field calls and adoptions are remaining stable. Dr. Callan expressed his surprise that adoptions have not declined due to the economy.

Shelter renovations have been completed ahead of schedule and under budget. Due to the project coming in under budget, some funds will be available in the 2010-11 budget for carts and shelving for the new walk-in freezer. Aaron showed a brief power point presentation of photos of the additions and the renovations. One photo was the shelving added to the outside barn; all labor and materials for this were donated by Justice Construction.

Aaron reported that revisions of the animal ordinances are being considered at this time. He presented a hand out outlining some of the revisions being considered. (attached)

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 P.M. with no further business to discuss.

Respectfully submitted,



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

Date minutes approved: 9/3/10