

Minutes of the Oconee Co. Animal Control Board Meeting

02/01/2023 – Oconee County Animal Control

Director:Crystal Berisko

Call to Order

Approval of Minutes

Public Comments (limit of 5 minutes)

No Public Comments

Manager of Animal Services Updates – Crystal Berisko

Existing dog kennel doors (metal hollow door replacements)

Sound Proofing in kennel areas

Key Card Entry to non-public access areas

Industrial Printer for communal use

Credit Card Services PetPoint Blue Fin

Mark Martin asked about fees associated with Pet Point & Blue Fin and recommended looking at Bank of America

Part Time admin to full time or part time kennel tech or a combo position

Questions regarding duties (paperwork etc) of this position

Further discussion was had about focusing on volunteer opportunities

Call to Action for Volunteer Opportunities and offsite adoption coordinators

Mark Martin discussed The Oconee Enterprise ad callout for volunteers

GiftPulse Subscription to facilitate Volunteers \$20-\$170 monthly

Epoxy Flooring hasn't held up needs replacement looking at quotes including wall areas

Dog for A Day Program

Info Cards handed out for feedback discussed adding a "please volunteer" card

Upcoming Events:

AVMA Calendar Events Highlighted

Adoption Promos in association with Friends of Oconee

Community awareness events including National Heartworm Awareness possibly including Dr. Cook and AAHS Veterinarian

Possible Vendor affiliation for Heartworm Preventative Sponsored with a Voucher program Interceptor and Credelio (sp) February or March meeting

Tag Machine donated by Mark Martin at Pet Supplies Plus everyday is Tag Day working on promos in house

July Grant equip Fire Trucks with Pet Oxygen Masks community event Fire Station 1 asked for attendance

Check your Chip Day Grant for free Microchipping

PetSmart March National Event Grant applied

Nylabone S M L

Pet Supplies Plus has a community room available for offsite adoption events once we have obtained additional volunteers (Dog Wash)

Oconee Fit – Cat Yoga possible future dates as fundraising

Possible Yard Sale Event at the Civic Center (lots of work but good return.)

Stats:

Calls For Service 710

Intake Cats 530

Intake Dogs 366

441 Adoptions (Combined Dog and Cat)

211 Agency transfer

125 return to owner

99 Euthanasia discussed reasons for increase over previous years (disease, injuries etc.)

Current:

47 dogs in house

45 cats in house

Adoptions since Jan

38 dogs

22 cats

January

11 dogs

23 cats

64 calls for service

Upcoming Meeting

May 3, 2023

July 12, 2023

October 4, 2023

New Business:

Mark Martin asked about current laws regarding tethering and animals trapped in hot cars. Crystal outlined current anti-tether laws and Mark requested further investigation regarding animals trapped in hot vehicles.

Motion to Adjourn