

**THE GOVERNING BOARD  
OF THE JOINT POWERS AGENCY OF THE  
STANISLAUS ANIMAL SERVICES AGENCY (SASA)**  
Meeting Minutes

**Regular Meeting**

**Thursday**

**July 18, 2019**

**Members Present:**

Joe Lopez, City of Modesto – Chair  
Raul Mendez, City of Hughson – Vice Chair - arrived at 9:02 a.m.  
Michael Pitcock, City of Waterford  
Tina Rocha, Stanislaus County  
Toby Wells, City of Ceres  
Ken Irwin, City of Patterson

**Members Absent:**

**Staff Present:**

Annette Patton, Executive Director	Linda Ford, Confidential
Jennifer Smith, Vol. Coord.	Martha Ruano, Business Manager
Daniel Solish, Deputy County Counsel	Mavis Williamson, Client Services
Jewel Warr, CEO's Office	

**Guests and Dignitaries:**

Jim DeMartini, Stanislaus County Supervisor

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Joe Lopez, Chair.
2. **Roll call:** See above
3. **Presentations:**

Annette presented SASA's 2018/2019 Annual Report. The report was included as a Power Point Presentation in the meeting packet. Annette provided highlights on each Power Point page.

**4. Public Comment:**

None

**5. Minutes of Previous Meeting:**

- A. Approved the Agency Board Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2019.  
(Waterford/Patterson – 5/0 – Hughson had not arrived)

**6. Correspondence:** None

**7. New Business:**

- A. Jennifer Smith recognized Jaime Heilman for her efforts in keeping 43 animals out of the shelter, over the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. Jaime assisted those who found lost pets locate the pet's owner via microchip. Jaime received a nice certificate and appreciation from the Agency Board.
- B. Approved project number 2019.02, the ductless unit for section 100 of the Cat Wing in the shelter. The Executive Director was authorized to execute all purchase orders, associated with the project, in a total not to exceed \$9,972.66 which had been included in the 19/20 maintenance budget. (Hughson/Patterson - 6/0)

**8. Executive Director Report:**

- A. Legislation Update: SB64 Microchips required for animals leaving Animal Control/Services facilities. SASA is covered under County ordinance with animals being microchipped at the time of owner reclaim or adoption. Rescues will also include a microchip for \$10 or for free if they bring their own. State has not passed legislation just yet.
- B. SB258 – Vet Care for Homeless dogs – awarded at five million dollars for the State of California. City of Patterson is most in line right now. Modesto and Stanislaus County are working on plans. Legislation sounds to be grant oriented rather than population oriented. Shelters will need to be brick and mortar and will include rules and regulations if allowing pets to stay with their owners.
- C. Annette discussed her meeting with County Counsel regarding fee increases and mandatory spay/neuter in Stanislaus County. Annette discussed possible fee increases and the processes. There is more work to be done, then Agency Board approval and finally Board of Supervisors approval in January. If there are fees increased, they will likely go into effect in 2020. As for mandatory spay/neuter in Stanislaus County, there isn't a need at present. SASA will monitor intake for the next year and will address then if necessary.

**9. Informational:**

- A. Operations Report:** Dennis Cordova had prepared a handout, with the Monthly Operations/Staffing Reports for June 2019, Field Reports including Activity Reports by Jurisdiction, with City of Modesto included, Kennel/Live Releases Statistics, Vaccination Clinics Statistics and Volunteer hours for April 2019. Any questions can be brought back to Dennis upon his return next week.
- B. Financial Update:** Martha mentioned the financial reports had been sent with the meeting packets and said if there are any questions to feel free to reach out to her. Martha added with the June close coming at the end of July, the contributions should be less.

**10. Member Referrals:**

**Adjourned Regular Meeting at 10:32 a.m. to go into closed session.**

**Closed Session:**

Public Employee Performance Evaluation  
Title: Executive Director,  
Government Code: 54957 (b)

**Adjourned at 10:45 a.m.**

ATTESTED: Linda Ford, Clerk

of the Governing Board  
of the Joint Powers Agency  
of the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency  
State of California

(The above is a summary of the minutes of the Governing Board of the Joint Powers Agency. Complete minutes are available from the Clerk at Stanislaus Animal Services Agency, 3647 Cornucopia Way in Modesto, CA.)