# STANISLAUS ANIMAL SERVICES AGENCY

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# ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES February 7, 2013

### **Regular Session**

The meeting was called to order at 12:30 p.m. by Dave Cerutti

**Roll Call:** 

Dave Cerutti Sarah Gottschalk Nathan Gorth Jose Gonzalez

Absent:

Dominic Farinha Patricia Hitch

Staff in attendance:

Annette Patton, Executive Director Linda Ford, Confidential Assistant Francine Gutierrez, Manager Deirdre McGrath, County Counsel

#### **Guests in attendance:**

Sue Henderson

## **Meeting Minutes**

- Public Comment None
- 2. Approved minutes of the January 10, 2013 Animal Services Advisory Committee meeting. (Gottschalk/Gonzalez 4/0)
- 3. Staff Presentation: Stanislaus Animal Services Annual Report for 2011-2012. Special thanks to Keith Boggs of the CEO's Office for his artwork on the covers. The report is full of statistics, special projects/programs, volunteers and staff. Animal Services will continue to produce an Annual Report. Next year we will include licenses sold.
- 4. Staff Presentation: Overview of Dog License Amnesty Program due to its huge success this program has been extended through February 28, 2013. The original goal was 2000 new licenses, but we hit 4363 new licenses in our first License Amnesty program, in January alone. Next meeting we will overview the entire 2 month program.













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5. Update from sub-committees: Dave Cerutti, Sue Henderson and Dominic Farinha – Coordinate with ASA – currently have nothing new to report.

Jose Gonzalez and Sarah Gottschalk - Educational – Working toward some of the following goals: Educate the community, education in the schools, have an educational link between the schools and local government. The canvassing program has been very educational and effective in Waterford. This subcommittee would like to see some programs involving animal cruelty education, a sharing of shelter programs and would like to have a class sponsor a pet. Also interested in hosting adoption day at the fair, having offsite adoptions, utilizing volunteers, at area parks and recreation centers and would like their next step to be piloting Waterford schools.

Nathan Gorth has agreed to spearhead the Spay/Neuter Subcommittee.

Additional ideas – Include an ASA representative at our monthly volunteer orientation. Dave said he will attend and give information to volunteers. These volunteers can join the subcommittees as well. Dave plans to provide flyers and applications.

Benchmark – Oakdale has an active volunteer group. The volunteers bring in lots of money, additional cages, crates, etc. Their volunteer group is quite large and they all work in the shelter. The shelter is an indoor/outdoor facility off of Liberini.

6. Future agenda items –

Report from Ad-Hoc Committees/progress
ASA subcommittee report and volunteers
Volunteer Coordinator – program and oversight
TNR (Trap/Neuter/Release) Program
Update on Dog License Amnesty Program
Proposed ordinance regarding trapped cats

Additional items for the agenda can be e-mailed to Annette Patton by March 22, 2013.

7. Meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Next meeting will be held Thursday, April 4, 2013 at 12:30 in the Conference Room of the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency.

Note: Those unable to attend, please call Linda Ford @ 209-342-1742











