

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

**Regular Meeting**

**Thursday**

**February 17, 2022**

**Members:**

Merry Mayhew, City of Hughson, Chair – Present  
Jewel Warr, Alternate for Jody Hayes, County of Stanislaus – Present  
Scotty Douglass, Alternate for Joe Lopez, City of Modesto – Present  
Alex Terrazas, City of Ceres – Absent  
Michael Pitcock, City of Waterford – Present  
Ken Irwin, City of Patterson – Present

**Staff Present:**

Ron Reid, Interim Executive Director  
Jennifer Smith, Operations Supervisor  
Sweena Pannu, Deputy County Counsel

Megan Morriss, Confidential Asst.  
Monica Aleman, Business Mgr.

**Guests and Dignitaries:** None

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 p.m. by Chairwoman, Merry Mayhew.

1. **Roll call (Silent)** – See above
2. **Public Comment:** None
3. **Presentation:** None
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting:**
  - A. Approved the Agency Board Meeting Minutes of October 21, 2021, December 14, 2021 and January 20, 2022.  
(City of Patterson/City of Waterford; 5-0)
5. **New Business**
  - A. Approved to authorize staff to explore options for providing animal services to the City of Turlock. Consensus was made that if City of Turlock would like services, then they would need to fund a consultant to look at what it would take to supply services to them. (City of Patterson/City of Waterford; 5-0)
  - B. Established a special committee to assist in the Budget Planning Process for Stanislaus Animal Services Agency for fiscal year 2022-2023. Committee members are: County of Stanislaus, City of Modesto

and City of Waterford. Committee plans to meet weekly at first.  
(County of Stanislaus/City of Modesto; 5-0)

- C. Accepted the Donation as written from Hernan A. and Kathleen Castro, in memory of Marina Castro, in the amount of \$10,000. The board recognized the Castro Family and expressed their appreciation for the donation. (City of Patterson/City of Waterford; 5-0)
- D. Authorized the purchase of \$43,321.25 for an x-ray machine and accompanying Xmaru System Package for use in the hospital. Amount will be charged to the Donation account under the \$90,000 donation received from the Jacqueline E. Foret Trust-a donation accepted by the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency JPA Board on October 21, 2021. (City of Patterson/City of Waterford; 5-0)
- E. Authorized the purchase of Hospital equipment (a multifunctional Intensive Care Unit, mobile lift table, syringe pump, infusion pump and multipurpose centrifuge) for the Hospital for a total of \$8,676.71. Amount will be charged to the Donation account under the \$90,000 donation received from the Jacqueline E. Foret Trust – an donation accepted by the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency JPA Board on October 21, 2021. (City of Waterford/County of Stanislaus; 5-0)
- F. Authorized the Auditor-Controller, on behalf of the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency, to pay a prior year invoice for services provided in a prior year for Incognito Designs. (City of Patterson/County of Stanislaus; 5-0)

## **6. Committee Reports:**

- A. Committee to Plan and Oversee the Executive Director Recruitment. Recruitment closed on January 28, 2022. 32 Resumes were received and screened. After initial review, 12 candidates remained. 8 candidates have been recommended to move forward in the process.
- B. Executive Director report. Interim Director, Ron Reid introduced himself and gave a brief overview of his experience. Advised that Stanislaus Animal Services Agency has very caring/hard working staff. Also shared an upcoming event that the shelter is participating in on 2/26/22 at the old Ceres Flea Market. March and April meetings will be at County Center III due to Harvest Hall being unavailable.

## **7. Informational:**

- A. Stanislaus Animal Services Agency monthly expense statement distributed and placed on back table for viewing.
- B. Operations report distributed and placed on back table for viewing.

**8. Member Referrals:** None

**9. Adjournment:** Motion to adjourn (City of Hughson/City of Waterford; 4-0)

**Adjourned Regular Meeting at 3:17 p.m.**

ATTESTED: MEGAN MORRISS, Clerk  
of the Governing Board  
of the Joint Powers Agency  
of the Stanislaus Animal Services Agency  
State of California