



**ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
PRAIRIE PAWS ADOPTION CENTER - 2222 W. WARRIOR TRAIL  
THURSDAY, MAY 19, 2022 AT 6:30 PM**

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## **MINUTES**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Lisa Turner at 6:33 p.m. with a quorum present.

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

1. Approval of 02/17/22 Meeting Minutes

A unanimous vote was made to approve the minutes from the previous meeting.

2. Animal Services Quarterly Report

Lily Yap presented the quarterly numbers.

3. PPAC Improvement Projects

Destinee Wright provided updates for drainage project. Project is underway with completion date expected at the end of May. Our next reconstruction project will be to add a light post to the employee parking lot area. This will provide lighting to the parking lot area and our large outdoor dog runs during seasons when the sun sets during normal business hours.

4. Departmental Updates

Edward Cruz discussed recent departmental updates. Casey Claiborne will join GPAS starting next week as the new Shelter Supervisor. The Field department has received 3 new 'Pup' trucks and we have a new Animal Control Officer starting early June.

Edward also mentioned that changes in our clinic operations for Panleuk positive cases has greatly contributed to a decrease number of outbreaks we have had within the shelter this year as compared to last year.

5. Ops Development Updates

Destinee Wright discussed the recent restructure and promotions within the Operations Support Department. All employees within the department received promotions to provide more support to the Operations, Communications, Foster/Rescue, and Event departments that previously shared the attention of one supervisor.

Destinee Wright also mentioned that the Event team will participate in the upcoming Pride Event in Dallas and will resume Paws for Reading with GP Libraries. Official Clear the

Shelter date is TBD. Staff is excited to participate in brainstorming a theme for this year's event.

Destinee Wright discussed the addition of a spay/neuter voucher process through Texas Coalition for individuals that miss surgery, return to owner adoptions and mandatory spay/neuter cases.

#### 6. Habitual Offender & Nuisance/Dangerous Ordinances

Lily Yap announced the passing of our new Spay/Neuter Ordinance that went into effect May 3rd.

Lily Yap also discussed challenges with our current Nuisance/Dangerous Dog Ordinances. The current definitions need to be more in line with State Law. Updating both ordinances would compliment the enforcement we have for animal vs animal instances and human related instances.

Edward Cruz mentioned that he is currently working with City Attorney's Office to address the definitions within our Impoundment Ordinance to address the broad spectrum of impoundments that we conduct.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS**

*Citizens may speak during Citizen Comments for up to five minutes on any item not on the agenda by completing and submitting a speaker card.*

Don Smarto paid a compliment on behalf of Jeff Clark of Grand Prairie. Jeff gave praise to the response time and professionalism of the Animal Control Officer(s) that responded to a recent call for a large dog roaming loose.

Madeline Monroe inquired what a citizen should do if they are in an animal related emergency situation after hours. Lily answered that citizen should call the Police Department's non-emergency phone line, listed on our closed message .

Jean Melton inquired if TNR cats received a vaccine to protect against Pan leukemia; Lily answered yes, all TNR cats receive an FVRCP vaccine at the time of sterilization.

Jean Melton also asked for escalation with an ongoing issue for a stray dog chasing/killing stray cats on Indian Hills Drive. Edward Cruz received the specific address from Jean and agreed to make contact with the reporting party.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 7:26 p.m.

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*Lily Yap, Animal Services Division Manager*