

ANIMAL SERVICES BUREAU ADVISORY BOARD

Virginia Beach Animal Care and Adoption Center: Room 1021

Wed., Sept. 4, 2024 at 6:30 P.M.

Members in Attendance

- Captain Marcie Fox, VBPD Animal Services Bureau
- Stephsi Seger, Board Member
- David Hutcheson, Virginia Beach City Council
- Carla Stoner, Board Member
- Lisa McDonnell, Board Member
- Jessica Wilde, VBPD Animal Care and Adoption Center
- Theresa Canape, VBPD Animal Enforcement Unit
- Jennifer Reich, VBPD Animal Services Bureau

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m.

Introduction: Captain Marcie Fox

- Welcomed all in attendance.
- Foster and Volunteer program update. - Shelter Buddies Program had been implemented to bridge the gap of time needed to complete the lengthy onboarding process for volunteers and fosters. Shelter Buddies are restricted to public areas, but this program keeps willing volunteers engaged until their background checks are completed.
- Aragona Community Clinic will be Saturday, September 28th from 2-5pm. The rabies and microchip community event will be held at Aragona Village Park & Christ Presbyterian Church located at 709 Aragona Blvd Va Beach, VA 23455.
- The vote was unanimous for increasing the Reclaim Fees to \$50 for the first 24-hours and an additional fee of \$15 per day for each additional days from \$50 for the first 24-hours and \$2 per day for each additional day.
- The barking dog proposed procedure change details are still being discussed with the City Attorney.
- Barn Fence Project has been approved and the paperwork is being processed for the project to begin.
- Safety Net Team – The Safety Net Team has been designed to meet the community where they are at and to provide education and much needed resources. The trial run has been very successful.
- Cat Mitigation – Seeking to educate the community on other deterrent options besides using traps.
- Update in CAC donations – the current total is \$3,252.23. CAC Donations were used to help aid in the removal of a cherry eye for 2 canine shelter residents totaling \$2293.76.

Animal Care and Adoption Center Update: Jessica Wilde

- YTD there have been 772 less intakes from 2023.
- Active Shelter Residents – 117 dogs & 115 cats. There are currently 51 dogs being fostered.
- Staffing Interviewing for an open Office assistance II position.

Animal Enforcement Update: Theresa Canape

- Off season Beach Laws are now in effect.
- Update on ACO new hires – 3 new ACOs have started and are in training. Interviews are scheduled for the 1 open ACO position.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Next Meeting: Dec. 4, 2024