THE INGHAM COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL SHELTER ADVISORY BOARD WILL MEET ON MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2015 AT 6:30 PM IN CONFERENCE ROOM C OF THE HUMAN SERVICES BUILDING, 5303 S. CEDAR, LANSING.

Agenda

Call to Order
Approval of Minutes
Additions to the Agenda
Limited Public Comment

1. Introduction of members

2. Election of Officers

3. Directors Report

4. No Kill discussion

Announcements
Public Comment
Adjournment

IF YOU WILL NOT BE AT THE MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS’ OFFICE AT (517) 676-7200
Members Present:
Chairperson Liz Kranz, Vice Chairperson Angela Bouler, Lorna Elliott-Egan

Members Absent: Teresa Lipert, Todd Tennis

Others Present:
Ingham County Animal Control Director Andy Seltz,
Ingham County Deputy Animal Control Director Anne Burns,
Ashley Hayes, Teresa Carter, Maria Vandenboom

The Ingham County Animal Control Shelter Advisory Board (ICACSAB) meeting of January 26, 2015 was called to order by Chairperson L. Kranz at 6:34 p.m. in Conference Room “C” of the Human Services Building at 5303 S. Cedar Street in Lansing, Michigan.

Approval of the November 24, 2014 Minutes
MOVED BY L. ELLIOTT-EGAN, SUPPORTED BY L. KRANZ, TO APPROVE THE NOVEMBER 24, 2014 MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
ABSENT: Lipert, Tennis

Additions to the Agenda: Item 6: Addressing Maria Vandenboom’s letter from 2014.

Limited Public Comment: None.

1. Introduction of Members:
Tabled, as no new members were present.

2. Election of Officers:
Tabled until March 23, 2015 meeting when all members would be present.

3. Meeting Schedule:
Meeting schedule was set as every 4th Monday of odd numbered months with the exception of May due to the Memorial Day holiday – moving that meeting to the following Monday in June – as June 1, 2015.

4. Minutes:
Removed from agenda as not needed.

5. Director’s Report:
Director A. Seltz distributed handouts of his Director’s Report and verbally hit the high spots of the contents. 2014 was again a year with no euthanasia due to lack of shelter space. 12 abandoned ducks from Lansing were taken into foster and a final adoption is pending. An unpaid internship program for the Outreach Center
is being initiated. ICAC provided dog supplies to the Mason Police Dept. for times when ICAC isn’t available to respond. Logistics with the Lansing Police Dept. is ongoing for a similar program. Director A. Seltz cited citizen concerns about the current ICAC website is prompting the creation of a citizen workgroup on how to improve the site. Collaborative relationships with area animal groups continue. Statistics on the ICASC shelter animals were presented.

Discussion items from Director A. Seltz: inmate labor policies, on call foster/building policies. These items were in handouts supplied during the email of the meeting agenda/notice.

Resolution for use of donated funds to supplement low/no cost adoption fees was brought to the board by ICAC. The ICACSAB supported this resolution:

**MOVED BY L. ELLIOTT-EGAN, SUPPORTED BY A. BOULER. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

Director A. Seltz introduced discussion regarding the definition of No Kill with the ICACSAB board requesting time for more thought on the subject. The ICACSAB board is requesting a recommendation from Director A. Seltz with further online or email discussions to be carried out between meetings if needed.

Other items of note from the Director’s Report: shelter cleaning & maintenance policies continue, ICAC Foster Program Policy feedback & discussions continues. And a letter from MDARD on holding times was also presented in the email announcing the agenda.

**Commissioner T. Tennis joined the meeting at 7:44 p.m.**

6. **Discussion of Letter from Maria Vandenboom**

Letter dated August 30, 2104 was discussed with clarification of items made possible by having M. Vandenboom in attendance. Commissioner T. Tennis suggested a workgroup be formed to look at comparing the costs of holding an animal and the redemption costs for that animal to be returned to its owner. Concern raised was that ICAC redemption fees are unaffordable and overwhelming to for the public to figure out. Another concern is the perceived pattern of citizens not being able to afford the fees or fully understand the process and are unable to do not seek to reunite with their pet.

**Announcements:** None

**Public Comment:** M. Vandenboom suggested that the lower numbers of pets at ICAC was in part due to social media sites such as hers. Citing 75% of those who post on her lost & found page are reunited with their pet before it enters the shelter. M. Vandenboom desires that the rehoming be done legally – Director A. Seltz pointed her to the ordinance of lost and found pets to the County’s website. Director A. Seltz also asked for her number of rehomes attributed to social media.

Commissioner T. Tennis reported no budget update and said the urban dairy goat ordinance may come back around with a retool to ensure proper goat stewardship.

**Adjournment:**
MOVED BY L. ELLIOTT-EGAN, SUPPORTED BY L. KRANZ, TO ADJOURN THE JANUARY 26, 2015 ICACSAB MEETING. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
ABSENT: Bouler.

The January 26, 2015 meeting was adjourned at approximately 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Liz Kranz (acting secretary)