

Animal Shelter Advisory Board Minutes July 13, 2016

**STATE OF TEXAS**

**COUNTY OF TARRANT**

**CITY OF BEDFORD**

The Animal Shelter Advisory Board of the City of Bedford, Texas met in a regular session at 2:00 p.m. in at City Hall 2000 Forest Ridge Drive, on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2016 with the following members present

Eric Griffin	Deputy Police Chief (Staff Liaison)
Mark Bellinghausen	Animal Control Supervisor
Dr Susan Read	Chairman
Barbara Richardson	Board Member
Karen Killian	Board Member

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Dr Susan Read called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- 1 **Consider approval of the following Animal Shelter Advisory Board Minutes:**
  - a) **regular meeting January 19, 2016**

Board Member Karen Killian made the motion that the minutes taken on January 13th, 2016, be approved.

Chairperson Dr Susan Read seconded the motion Minutes approved as written no changes. Minutes were approved by consent as written.

2. **Report on shelter statistical data.**

Monthly reports for January through June 2015 and January through June 2016 were distributed for board members to review Mark Bellinghausen stated there were no major changes Karen Killian stated the shelter is a full service agency and does not refuse unadoptable animals like other cities. The shelter does a great job and needs to be commended Dr Susan Read asked if there were resources needed. Mark Bellinghausen advised there was nothing additional needed at this time. Dr Susan Read stated the statistic look in line with the year before

**OLD BUISNESS**

3. **Follow up discussion regarding animal welfare in the event of a disaster**

Mark Bellinghausen advised several veterinarians in Bedford gave positive response for temporary housing for animals in the event of a disaster Currently Veterinary clinics were advising the potential for 50 dog runs and 38 cat cages. Tooth Acres boarding in Carrollton and Petsmart in Hurst could possibly handle up to 100 vetted dogs each. The Petsmart in Southlake advised they had 200 dog runs and could possibly take 200 vetted dogs Animal America in Colleyville advised they have 130 dogs runs potentially

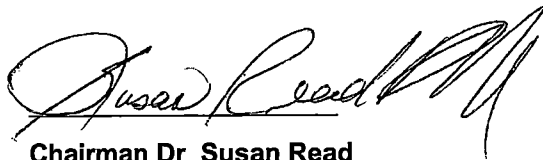
available. Dr Susan Read advised Tara Animal Hospital had not made an official commitment but could easily have two or three Veterinarians available for triage if needed

Karen Killian asked Councilman Roger Fisher if the City council could possibly require the micro chipping of animals Mr Fisher advised that the council could look into adding micro chipping as a requirement to the city licensing

Karen Killian asked for conversation on a mandatory spay or neutering ordinance which would reduce the number of animals being dealt with during a disaster Mr Fisher advised this could be more difficult however if staff had data to support it he would take the information to council

Dr Susan Read asked if micro chipping was currently available. Mark Bellinghausen advised micro chips were offered for people claiming or adopting animals for \$25 00 Micro chips could also be used in a disaster for identification of animals with some chip companies offering micro chips for under \$5 00

Dr Susan Read made a motion to adjourn the meeting as there was no additional business to be discussed. Board member Karen Killian seconded the motion.



**Chairman Dr Susan Read**

12-28-16

**Date Approved**