

**ANIMAL SHELTER BOARD OF THE CITY OF SACHSE
MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 23, 2021**

The Animal Shelter Board of the City of Sachse held a regular meeting on Thursday, September 23, 2021, at 7 p.m. in the Sachse Public Safety Building Emergency Operations Center (EOC), 3815-D Sachse Road. Those present were Councilmember Cullen King; Kimberly McClurg; Katie Rohler; Brandi Petee; Jim Mathis; Shelly Monroe; Janice Brooks; Animal Services Supervisor Terri O'Neal; Animal Control Officer Monica Thomas; Chief of Police Bryan Sylvester; and Veterinarian Dr. Steve Pirkey.

Members absent were: BJ Futrell

Councilmember King called the meeting to order at 7 p.m.

REGULAR MEETING:

Invocation and pledges of allegiance to the US and Texas flags.

Councilmember King lead the invocation and pledges.

Consider approval of the June 17, 2021, meeting minutes.

Mr. Mathis made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. Monroe seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

Receive an update and discuss the quarterly Animal Shelter report.

Following the staff quarterly update presentation, Board members asked for understanding as to why residents have been surrendering their animals to the shelter. Ms. O'Neal responded that there are a variation of reasons, such as residents moving, the expense of owning a pet, conflict with other animals and/or family members, etc. Ms. O'Neal informed the Board that wildlife that is taken in at the shelter often times gets sent to DFW Wildlife rehabilitation center.

The Board discussed the recent successful Clear the Shelter campaign. Staff credits social media as the primary driving force behind the achievement. The Animal Shelter has a very active page with multiple daily posts, frequent interaction with followers, and a very positive attitude in each of the posts. The intent is to encourage people to participate in shelter activities and adopt the animals. In return, residents have given very positive feedback and support.

Other conversation included the upcoming shot clinic on October 2 and Fallfest on October 28. These events are a good opportunity to raise public awareness of the shelter and possibly adopt some animals out.

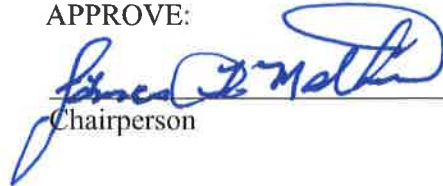
Request for future agenda items.

No requests at this time.

Adjournment.

Councilmember King adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVE:


Chairperson

ATTEST:


Secretary