

**Gwinnett Animal Advisory Council Minutes
Monday, January 24, 2022 – 7:00pm-9:00pm**

884 Winder Highway, Lawrenceville, GA 30045; Webex

Present: Gail LaBerge, Erin Martin, Nahum Nicholas, BT Parker, Tameka Womack

Absent: Jeanne Aulbach, Lila Hunter

1. Call to Order
2. Welcome / Announcements
3. Approval of Agenda
 - {Action: Approved; Motion: Nicholas; Second: BT Parker; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}
4. Approval of Minutes November 15, 2021
 - {Action: Approved; Motion: LaBerge; Second: Nicholas; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}
5. Election of Officers

The Gwinnett Animal Advisory Council made a motion to appoint Nahum Nicholas as the Chair.

 - {Action: Approved; Motion: Womack; Second: Martin; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}

The Gwinnett Animal Advisory Council made a motion to appoint BT Parker as the Vice Chair.

 - {Action: Approved; Motion: Nicholas; Second: Martin; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}

The Gwinnett Animal Advisory Council made a motion to appoint Lila Hunter as the Secretary.

 - {Action: Approved; Motion: Martin; Second: Womack; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}
6. Staff Updates
 - Kennel
 - Enforcement
 - Special Events
 - Volunteer & Outreach
 - Shelter Operation Updates
7. Old Business

8. New Business

- Friendly Finder Program Proposal
- Dog Playgroup Program Proposal
- Meeting Dates for 2022

The Gwinnett Animal Advisory Council made a motion to meet at Gwinnett Animal Welfare & Enforcement on Monday, April 4, 2022 at 7:00PM; Monday, July 11, 2022 at 7:00PM; and Monday, October 3, 2022, at 7:00 PM.

{Action: Approved; Motion: Nicolas; Second: LaBerge; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}

9. Public Comments

10. Adjournment

{Action: Approved; Motion: LaBerge; Second: BT Parker; Vote: (5:0); LaBerge-Yes; Martin-Yes; Nicholas-Yes; Parker-Yes; Womack-Yes}

Animal Welfare & Enforcement

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Kennel Stats

- 23,105 Visitors
- 4,188 Adoptions
- 6,737 New arrivals and intakes
- Average daily during summer months capacity: 300
 - More than 120 days



Additional By the Numbers

- 5,507 Outgoing and saved
- 494 Reclaims
- 820 Transferred to rescues
- 96.48% Live release rate for dogs
- 95.87% Live release rate for cats
- 18,145 Calls for service
- 1,178 Returned to Community Cats
 - 9,424 Births prevented

Dangerous/Vicious Hearing Board

- 17 Dangerous dog cases
 - 6 Dogs declared dangerous
 - 1 Open case to be served
- Two dangerous dog hearings held
- 12 Vicious dog cases
 - 0 Dogs classified as vicious
- No vicious dog hearings held

Enforcement Stats

- 18,145 Calls for service
 - Stray and injured animals
 - Police impound
 - Animal bites
 - Livestock loose
 - Assisting citizens



Additional By the Numbers

- 1,025 Citations issued
- 25 Positive rabies cases
 - Fox (5), raccoon (6), bat (13) and (1) dog
- 650 Animal bites



Community Animal Welfare

- 1,384 Animals reclaimed from the shelter
- 398 Reclaims in the field
 - Citations issued
- 450 Reclaims in the field
 - Verbal warnings issued
- 4,000 Pounds of dog food provided to pet owners
 - Other items provided include dog houses, leashes, and collars

Training

- Cat Behavior (monthly)
 - Alex's Feline Training and Behavior Consulting, LLC
- Internal training on equipment used by staff
 - Animal Control Officer III



2021 Adoption Specials & Events

- November
 - Adopt-A-Senior Pet Month
 - 368 Adoptions
- December
 - Home for the Holidays
 - 420 Adoptions



Upcoming Adoption Specials & Events

- Free Fridays
- Change a Pet's Life Day
 - Friday January 21 and Saturday, January 22
- Pooch and Paws Adoption Event
 - Saturday, January 29 at Suwanee Town Center
- Love A Mutt Day
 - Saturday, February 12

Volunteer Program

- 2021 Impact
 - 14,412 Volunteer and foster hours
 - 291 Volunteers
 - 38 Fosters
 - 158 Animals fostered
 - 152 Cats, 15 dogs, and 4 reptiles



Rescue to Date

- 25 Transports
 - Placing 126 animals
- 820 Rescue transfers



Data Management System: Shelter Buddy

- Training Plan
 - Phase 1 Training Assessment: Two-hour session reviewing how to use the system and what gaps need to be filled with training and configurations
 - Phase 2 Design Training Sessions: Present topics to be covered by a series of training sessions and confirm attendees.
 - Phase 3 Complete Training Sessions: Sessions will be administered via Zoom and recorded for future reference.
- Upgrades to the animal screen and person screen
- Upgrades to all animal reports, medical reports, and violation reports

Shelter Operations Updates

- X-ray machine installed in December 2021
- 185 Unassisted deaths
 - 124 kittens, 27 cats, 17 dogs, 17 other fish, and rabbits
- 68 Rabies vector euthanasia of wildlife animals
- 44 Feline rabies testing
 - 8 Gwinnett AWE and 35 animal hospitals
- 47 Canine rabies testing
 - 10 Gwinnett AWE and 37 Animal hospitals

2021 Euthanasia by Species

Animal Type	Quantity
Bird	3
Wildlife	6
Cat	108
Fish	2
Dog	139
Fowl	4
Guinea Pig	2
Kitten	204
Mammal	79
Marsupial	24
Pig	4
Puppy	7
Reptile	4
Rodent	2
Grand Total	589



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Questions?