

**ANIMAL SHELTER ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE CITY OF SACHSE  
MEETING MINUTES -  
APRIL 6, 2022**

The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee of the City of Sachse held a regular meeting on Thursday, January 27, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Sachse City Council Chambers at 3815-B Sachse Road. Those present were Councilmember Cullen King; Chief Bryan Sylvester; Assistant Chief Steven Baxter, Veterinarian Dr. Steve Pirkey; Rescue Community Liaison Ms. Debbie Stout; Animal Services Supervisor Terri O'Neal; Animal Services Officer Brenda Smith; and Animal Services Officer Monica Thomas.

**Members absent were:** Dr. Jim Moebius

Councilmember King called the meeting to order at 6:30 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 January 27, 2022, meeting minutes.**

Dr. Pirkey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Ms. O'Neal seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

**Review and discuss matters related to the health and safety code for the Animal Shelter.**

Ms. O'Neal reported that the Shelter continues to be in compliance after the state inspection in February. And in relation to the health and safety code, there have been no instances of rabies. Councilmember King noted an uptick in the greater area of bites but he is glad to see that does not seem to be the case in Sachse. Ms. O'Neal noted that bites do increase a little in the Spring, and those animals will be quarantined. Ms. O'Neal mentioned there is an increase in wildlife. Ms. Thomas picked up a beaver that day and it was transported to the wildlife rehab in Rowlett. Pet licenses are down but there will be a clinic in May so that should pick up.

**Receive an update of the Animal Shelter activities.**

Ms. O'Neal presented the Shelter activity report and noted adoptions had increased 173% from the previous month. She responded to questions.

**Receive an update on the Animal Shelter construction project.**

Chief Sylvester updated the Advisory Committee regarding the construction project. The request for qualifications should be out in the coming weeks. Functionality, longevity, and durability are

the focus. Dr. Pirkey was glad to see an architect experienced with animal shelters has been engaged.

**Adjournment.**

Councilmember King adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

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Dr. Steve Pirkey, Veterinarian

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Terri O'Neal, Animal Services Supervisor