

**Lakewood Animal Safety Welfare Advisory Board**  
November 14, 2012 Meeting Minutes



*Present:* Board Members: Juleen Russell, Melissa Limkemann, Kim McCarty, Nancy Patterson, Dr. Bo Rog

*Not Present:* Board Members: Dawn Payne, Karolyn Isenhardt, Donna Klein, Councilman David Anderson

1. Welcomes & Introductions – Juleen Russell

Juleen Russell opens meeting, welcomes everyone and initiates introductions

2. Approval of May, July and September meeting minutes – Board

Board approves May, July and September meeting minutes

3. Final LASWAB submission to City Council Ad Hoc Committee evaluating Boards & Commissions – Juleen Russell

Group reviews and discusses the final LASWAB report that is to be submitted to the City Council Ad Hoc committee that is evaluating Boards and Commissions. Committee members felt the report was thorough and accurate with the only addition to item *IV. Results*, which should include a time frame of four years.

Group discussed emailing Councilperson Madigan, Councilmen Powers and Anderson, and Mary Hagan the report for feedback.

Also discussed seeking recommendations from Ad Hoc Committee on what to include in future reports and ask if other boards/commissions are providing similar information – need benchmark.

4. Direction on Complaint Protocol – David Anderson

Since Councilman Anderson was not in attendance, the group did not discuss this item.

5. LASWAB Terms Expired on May 16, 2012 for the following members:

1. David Anderson – Council
2. Juleen Russell – Mary Louise Madigan
3. Peter Grossetti – Shawn Juris – OPEN
4. Nancy Patterson – David Anderson
5. Dr. Bo Rog – Mayor Summers
6. Kim McCarty – Tom Bullock

The above listed board member names were submitted in January 2012 for reappointment for various staggered terms. Confirmation was to be made in May 2012. At the November 19 meeting for the Committee of the Whole, item was not discussed. At this time, no confirmation has been made and an update was not discussed as Councilman Anderson was not present.

6. LASWAB recommendations for open board position

Since LASWAB members are appointed by council members, Shawn Juris will make a recommendation to replace Peter Grossetti.

The city also opens board positions to the public who are interested in participating in various boards and committees. LASWAB identified several potential candidates and will need to follow-up to see if any citizens are interested.

7. Updates on where things stand with LASWAB appointments and Ad Hoc Committee plans for making determinations, etc. – David Anderson, via Juleen Russell

Juleen Russell had made contact with David Anderson, but as of the meeting nothing was finalized.

8. Update on Vicious dogs ordinance changes being considered by City – David Anderson  
Update unavailable due to absence of Councilman Anderson

9. Set 2013 Meeting Schedule

The following dates were finalized for 2013 LASWAB Meetings which will take place at 7PM at Lakewood City Hall.

Wednesday, January 16

Wednesday, July 17

Wednesday, March 20

Wednesday, September 18

Wednesday, May 15

Wednesday, November 20

10. TNR Program Updates – Kim McCarty

Kim McCarty provided an update on the Birdtown TNR program. As of November 2012, 58 cats and kittens had been spayed/neutered. We will continue the program through the winter and work with the Animal Control Officers and CCLAS when possible.

11. Lakewood Animal Shelter News and Updates: Elaine Hearn and Dawn Pyne

No updates as Elaine Hearn and Dawn Pyne were not in attendance.

12. 2013 LASWAB Initiatives: review and determinations – Board

The Board discussed some potential initiatives for 2013.

1. Door Hanger Drop – schedule another door hanger drop with TNR and Spay/Neuter information in the Spring of 2013.

2. Networking / Community events – discussed having LASWAB representation at various events, related committee and council meetings.

3. Brochures – revisit our brochure and distribution.

Where do they come from? Spay/neuter, abandonment, cats 'living on their own'

4. Pet Related Business Partnering – discussed partnering with various Lakewood businesses on information distribution and events to promote pet safety and responsible pet ownership

- 5. Pet & People Safety – discussed hosting events/seminars that would reinforce the importance of pet and people safety, such as during the Landlord meetings held by the city
- 6. Speakers Series – discussed hosting speaker series on various pet related topics; possibly at the Library

13. Past & Upcoming Events:

Past: Lakewood Board/Committee Meet n Greet at Mahall's  
Wed, Sept 26, 2012. 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM. Mahall's Twenty Lanes

Discussed past meet and greet event with City Council and other Boards and Committees at Mahall's. Board felt the event was very beneficial and that we should continue to make an effort to be involved in various types of events.

14. Updates from animal groups in Lakewood in attendance

Friends of the Lakewood Dog Park emailed some concerns it has with the height of the fence in the Lakewood Dog Park. They felt that in certain places it was not high enough and that bigger dogs might be able to jump over the fence. Group felt we needed more information to review.

15. Open Discussion – Since a number of members were not in attendance, the board discussed the possibility of a casual get together in December. Emails would be sent out to check on availability.

16. Juleen Russell calls the meeting to a close.

**Next regularly scheduled meetings:**

Wednesdays, 7:00 PM, Lakewood City Hall

March 20

May 15

July 17

September 18

November 20