

**Animal Services Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
January 7, 2015 5:30p.m.-6:30p.m.**

In Attendance:

James Osteen, Committee Chair, City of La Marque
Jerry Finch, Animal Welfare
Stephen Holmes, County of Galveston
Fard Abdullah, City of Hitchcock
Sherilyn Linton, Committee Secretary, County of Galveston
Jonathan Given, Veterinarian
Mark Johnstone, City of Bayou Vista
John Bentley (UBOH Representative)
Jason Lawrence (UBOH)
Mark Sonnier (UBOH)

Absent:

Chris Krysher, Animal Welfare
Rhonda Trevino, Coity of Kemah
Joe Dickson, City of Santa Fe
Dee Ann Haney, City of Texas City
Gewn Schulte, Village of Tiki Island
George Jones, City of Clear Lake Shores
Julie Robinson, City of Dickinson

GCHD Staff:

Kathy Barroso, Chief Operating Financial Officer
Amber Adams, MPH, Animal Services Manager
Holly Copeland, Controller
Hill Olson, JD, Compliance Auditor
Tikeshia Thompson Executive Assistance I

Mr. Osteen informed the board that this is an informational meeting with the Galveston County Animal Service Advisory Committee and the United Board of Health. The purpose of this meeting is to be informational and answer any questions the United Board of Health may have for the Animal Service Advisory Committee.

Item #1 Review and Discuss Galveston County Pet Registration Proposal

Ms. Barroso informed the advisory committee that at the last United Board of Health (UBOH) Meeting, the Board deferred action on the Pet Registration Proposal in order to obtain additional information on questions raised at the UBOH meeting. Members from the UBOH were present to address the advisory committee, ask questions and provide feedback. The UBOH members requested that information be provided on the number of animals registered at the ARC over the last year and GCHD's estimated cost per animal based on the registration proposal. It was decided that this information would be provided to the UBOH at the January 28, 2015 meeting and the UBOH's feedback would be presented to the Animal Services Advisory Committee at the February 5, 2015 meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:16p.m.

Tentative Next Quarterly Meeting Date: February 5, 2015