



NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING
Animal Shelter Advisory Committee
Tuesday, February 25th @ 11:00 am
Brenham Animal Shelter
1804 Longwood Drive
Brenham, Texas

1. **Call Meeting to Order**
2. **Citizen and Visitor Comments**
3. **Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Minutes from the October 8th, 2024, Regular Meeting**
4. **Discussion and Presentation on the Purpose and Scope of Brenham Animal Services and Shelter Statistics as of January 31st, 2024**
5. **Discuss and Possibly Act Upon Future Meeting Dates**
 - **April 15th, 2025**
 - **July 8th, 2025**
 - **October 14th, 2025**
6. **Administration Updates**
 - **Doggy Day Out Update**
 - **SNAP Update**
 - **Upcoming Events**

Adjourn

CERTIFICATION

I certify that a copy of the agenda of items to be considered by the Animal Shelter Advisory Board on Tuesday, February 25th, was posted to the City Hall bulletin board at 200 W. Vulcan, Brenham, Texas on Friday, February 21st, 2025, at 11:30 a.m.

Jeana Bellinger, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Executive Sessions: The Animal Shelter Advisory Committee may convene in Executive Session to discuss matters authorized by the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, including but not limited to: §551.071 – Consultation with Attorney, §551.072 – Real Property, §551.073 – Prospective Gifts, §551.074 - Personnel Matters, §551.076 – Security Devices, §551.086 - Utility Competitive Matters, and §551.087 – Economic Development Negotiations. The City Attorney must be present for all Executive Session discussions.

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I certify that this notice and agenda of items to be considered by the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee was removed by me from the City Hall bulletin board on _____ at _____.

Signature



MINUTES

BRENHAM ANIMAL SERVICES ADVISORY BOARD

October 8, 2024

A regular meeting of the City of Brenham's Animal Services Advisory Board was held on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, beginning at 11:04 a.m. at the Brenham Animal Services Center Conference Room, 1804 Longwood Drive, Brenham, Texas.

Board Members Present:

Megan Gray, Jeana Bellinger, Erin Christian, Carol Doersom, Lori Sladek

Board Members Absent:

Dr. Kristine Rockey, Sharon Guelker

City of Brenham Staff Present:

Morgan Koehn

Citizens/Others Present:

None

7. Call Meeting to Order

8. Citizen and Visitor Comments

None were heard.

9. Discuss and Possibly Act Upon the Minutes from the May 7, 2024, and August 6, 2024 Regular Meetings

A motion was made by Jeana Bellinger and seconded by Erin Christian to approve the Minutes from the Brenham Animal Services Advisory Board Meetings that occurred on May 7, 2024 and August 6, 2024.

10. Discussion and Presentation on the Purpose and Scope of Brenham Animal Services and Shelter Statistics as of September 30, 2024

The final statistics for Fiscal Year 2023-2024 were presented by Megan Gray. The number of animals euthanized for behavior was questioned. Megan Gray explained that there have been 4 strains of bacterial infections in the shelter dogs. The sick animals were needing to be paired together in pens to keep all the sick animals in one area and healthy dogs in another. Due to not being able to be paired because of dog aggression, some of the sick and aggressive dogs were euthanized.

11. Discussion and Presentation on the Adopted FY2024-25 Animal Services Budget

Jeana Bellinger briefly summarized the Adopted 2024-2025 Animal Services Budget. She stated that it is about \$776,000 and includes \$10,000 for a spay/neuter voucher program for citizens of Brenham.

12. Administration Updates

- **Brazos Valley Gives**

Megan Gray stated that Brenham Animal Services will be participating in Brazos Valley Gives and this is the first time since around 2018 that the shelter has been involved in this program.

- **Canine Health Status Update**

Megan Gray discussed the medical treatments that have been given to the shelter dogs for the bacterial infections, including Amoxicillin, Clavamox, Gentamycin, Clindamycin, and Baytril. There are 3 rows of healthy dogs and 2 rows of dogs who are still sick and on medication.

- **Upcoming Events**

Megan Gray discussed the upcoming events the shelter will be participating in including the Scarecrow Festival in Chappel Hill, TX. She stated that healthy dogs who have been asymptomatic from the bacterial infections will be the animals brought to this and any other upcoming events.

The Doggie Day Out Program (DDO) is scheduled to begin on Saturday October 19, with a councilmember being the first patron to participate in DDO. This program is for citizens to take a dog out of the shelter for some time during the day and take them to various locations around town. This enrichment is good for the animals to get out and experience activities outside of the shelter environment.

- **Post Adoption Email Update**

Several adoption updates have been sent in from new adopters. They have all been very positive and the staff loves hearing the happy stories about the former shelter animals.

- **Next Meeting Date: January 21, 2025**

Tentatively, January 21, 2025 will be the next meeting as Erin Christian will be out of the state on January 14, 2025.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 11:27am.

Megan Gray
Chairman

ATTEST:

Morgan Koehn
Staff Liaison

ANIMAL SERVICES STATISTICS
10/1/2024 thru 9/30/2025

SERVICE CALLS/CASES

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
	67	60	47									

Note: Most all calls/cases require multiple follow-up visits (i.e. barking dog complaint, multi-animal checks, fence checks, etc.)

ANIMAL INTAKES

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
Dog Intakes	26	28	37									
Cat Intakes	35	20	16									

TOTAL INTAKES

City Intakes	61	48	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Percentage	15	24	33									
County Intakes	24.6%	50.0%	62.3%									
Percentage	46	24	20									
Other Counties	75.4%	50.0%	37.7%									
Percentage	0	0	0									
Overall Outside City	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%									
	75.4%	50.0%	37.7%									

Average Outside City Limits
54.4%

INTAKE BREAKDOWN

Stray @ Shelter	28	17	24									
Stray @ Field	7	11	3									
Agency Assist	2	1	5									
Landlord Surrenders	0	1	0									
Owner Surrenders	21	18	11									
Adoption/Foster Return	3	0	0									
Born In Shelter	0	0	10									
TOTAL INTAKES	61	48	53									

TOTAL POPULATION

	96	73	73									
Microchips	18	5	5									

ADOPTIONS/TRANSFERS/RECLAIMS

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
Dogs Adopted	30	19	15									
Cats Adopted	44	32	29									
Misc. Adoptions	2	0	0									
Fostered	15	14	8									
Transported Out	0	13	4									
Returned to Owner	4	4	4									
TOTAL OUT	95	82	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

EUTHANASIA

	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sept
Sick	0	0	1									
Injured	0	0	0									
Behavior	1	2	2									
TOTAL EUTH	1	2	3									

Save Rate

96.3%