

SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS*

**KERN COUNTY ANIMAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT
ANIMAL SERVICES COMMISSION**

Kern County Administrative Building
1115 Truxtun Ave., Bakersfield, CA 93301
3rd Floor, Multipurpose Room

March 20th, 2024 – 6:00p.m.

A. ROLL CALL: The meeting was called to order at 6:13 p.m.
Commissioners Present:

Mr. Blackburn – Chairperson
Ms. Christopher - Commissioner
Ms. Taggart - Commissioner

Commissioners Excused:

Ms. Geary - Vice Chairperson
Mr. Couch – Supervisor

Staff Present:

Nick Cullen – Director, Kern County Animal Services
Jennifer Feige- Deputy County Counsel, Kern County
Amber Chrissakis - Volunteer, Kern County Animal Services

[item was made by the first Commissioner named and seconded by the second Commissioner named.]

B. APPROVAL OF SUMMARY OF PROCEEDINGS

1. January 17th, 2023 - Regular Meeting - Approve

Motion to receive and file - (Taggart/Christopher) - All in favor

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

These agenda items before the Animal Services Commission (Commission) may be acted upon with one motion if no member of the Commission or audience wishes to comment or ask questions.

1. CORRESPONDENCE FILED WITH THE COMMISSION - Receive and file
 - a. Email received from Beverly Rapp 02/28/24 advising of a deceased animal at "Dove Creek".
 - b. Email received from Janet Willis 03/06 asking for assistance with feral cats in California City.
 - c. Email received from Marisela Corrales 03/08/24 requesting assistance with spaying or neutering a cat.

Motion to receive and file - (*Christopher/Taggart*) - All in favor

D. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS:

This portion of the meeting is reserved for persons to address the Commission on any matter not on this agenda but under the jurisdiction of the Commission. Commissioners may respond briefly to statements made or questions posed. They may ask a question for clarification, make a referral to staff for factual information or request staff to report back to the Commission at a later meeting. Also, the Commission may act to direct the staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda. Please state your name and address for the record before making your presentation. **SPEAKERS ARE LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES.**

NONE

E. STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS OR REPORTS

1. DIRECTOR'S MONTHLY REPORT – Receive and file

Heard from Director Cullen concerning the department's current events and statistics from the Director's report. Director Cullen answers questions from the public regarding things discussed during this agenda item.

Heard from Commissioner Christopher who inquired about the cat outcome on the Director's report.

Heard from Commissioner Blackburn concerning TNR statistics and the amount of funding the Board of Supervisors has allotted to the department for spay/neuter.

Motion to Receive and file (*Taggart/Christopher*) - All in favor

F. COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Heard from Commissioner Christopher regarding her activity transporting, spaying and neutering cats in Tehachapi.

Heard from Commissioner Taggart regarding her activity with high school students during a career day and snake aversion training she was a part of.

G. OLD BUSINESS:

1. STAFF REFERRALS

NONE

2. UPDATE ON AKC REUNITE FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Heard from Director Cullen with an update on the trailers.

H. NEW BUSINESS:

NONE

I. ADJOURNMENT:

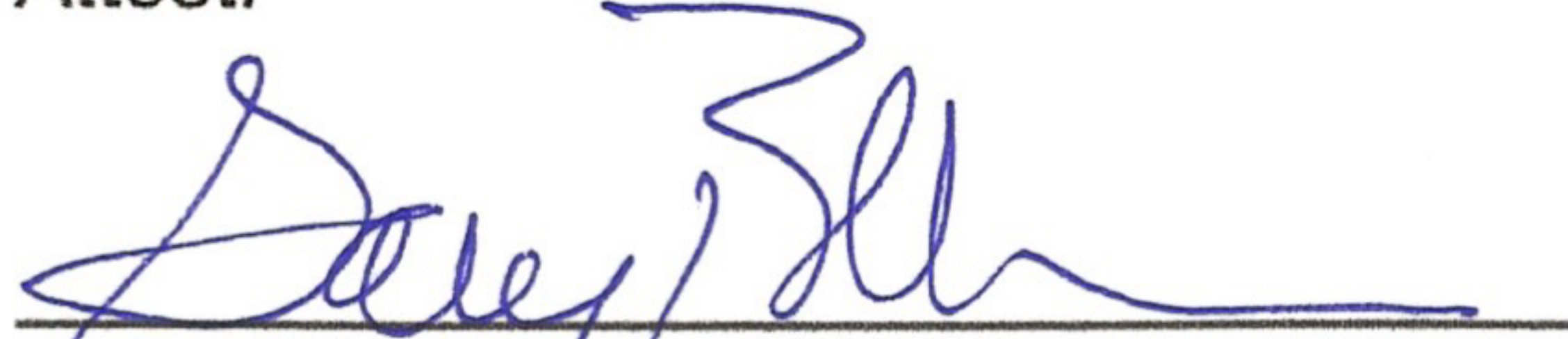
Motion to adjourn (*Christopher/Taggart*) – All in favor.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

The next Animal Control Commission meeting is scheduled for:

April 17th, 2024
6:00 p.m.

Attest:



Gary Blackburn
Chairperson

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