

February 17, 2021

BURKE COUNTY ANIMAL ADVISORY BOARD

The Burke County Animal Advisory Board met in a regular session on February 17, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was via Zoom. Members present were:

PRESENT:	Debbie Hawkins Megan Bradley Jeff Robinson Gwen Stephens Amy Adkins Dr. Linda Schilkowsky
ABSENT:	Gary McClure
ALSO PRESENT:	Kaitlin Settlemyre, Animal Services Director and Kay Draughn, Clerk to the Board of Commissioners
ALSO ABSENT:	

CALL TO ORDER

Debbie Hawkins called the meeting to order at 6:05PM.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: To approve the agenda for February 17, 2021

RESULT	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER	Amy Adkins
SECONDER	Jeff Robinson
AYES	Megan Bradley, Dr. Linda Schilkowsky, Debbie Hawkins, and Gwen Stephens
ABSENT	Gary McClure

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: To approve the minutes for January 20, 2021

RESULT	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER	Gwen Stephens
SECONDER	Amy Adkins
AYES	Jeff Robinson, Dr. Linda Schilkowsky, Debbie Hawkins, and Megan Bradley
ABSENT	Gary McClure

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Gary Cranton spoke and voiced concerns with enforceability and suggested there be a screening tool for buyers in the ordinance.

Denise Smith spoke and voiced concerns regarding the Breeding Standards of Care, specifically the requirement that the animal see a vet prior to transfer of ownership.

Keith Lowdermilt spoke and voiced concerns regarding the Breeding Standards of Care, specifically regarding enforceability and verbiage.

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ACTION ITEMS

- Ordinance Revision – Breeder Standards of Care
- Animal Services Update

Ordinance Revision – Breeder Standards of Care

Debbie Hawkins, Chair of the Board recommended changing the name of the Breeder Standards of Care to Breeding and Transfer of Ownership and listed several suggestions for the section. Debbie will send the finalized draft via email for review within the next week.

ANIMAL SERVICES

Animal Services has began transporting cats to rescue partners in other states and are working on a program to spay and neuter community cats. They are looking for volunteers to assist transporting cats to and from spay/neuter.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

Ordinance update
Breeding and Transfer of Ownership
Animal Services Update

ADJOURNED AT 7:00PM.

There was no further business to come before the Board.

Motion: To adjourn.

RESULT	APPROVED (UNANIMOUS)
MOVER	Jeff Robinson
SECONDER	Gwen Stephens
AYES	Dr. Linda Schilkowsky, Megan Bradley, Amy Adkins, and Debbie Hawkins
ABSENT	Gary McClure

The next meeting will be a regular meeting on March 17, 2021 at 6:00p.m.

Approved this 16th day of June 2021.



Debbie Hawkins, Chairperson, Animal Advisory Board