



CLALLAM COUNTY ANIMAL SOLUTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES of April 1, 2025

MEETING OF THE ANIMAL SOLUTIONS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ASAC)

Committee Chair Linda Allen called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m., April 1, 2025 in the Emergency Operations Center (EOC).

Also present were Committee members:

Meagan Karnes	Megan Overton	Mike Hill	Mark Ozias
Barbara Brabant	Mel Marshall	Danielle Hursh	Danette Grady

And Sheriff's Office representatives Lorraine Shore and Kari Cincotto

Absent were:

John Southard	Dave Campbell	Amy Bundy	Lisa Hopper	Jason Viada
Randy Johnson	Kimberlie Kitts	Brian Smith	Elizabeth Waknitz	
Shayna Robnett	Martha Ireland	Ed Bauck		

Guests from Olympic Peninsula Community Clinic were present to take part in discussion, present were Kelly Hall and Abigail Barnett.

MEETING AGENDA

No revisions were sought.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the 3/4/25 meeting were unanimously approved.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1) Spay/Neuter Clinics

- i. Advertising
- ii. Facebook versus a separate website allowing public access to information.

1. Questions/Comments:

Grady: Could we advertise using local radio stations?

Shore: Recommends looking at the cost of advertising and someone who is willing to continuously manage the advertising. The County has a website. I will talk to Monica Anderson in IT to see if it may be feasible to add your information and/or a link.

Karnes: Believes some things should be posted on social media and other things should be posted onto the County website.

Hall: Asks, how do we set people up for success after the spay/neuter clinic?

Marshall: They (pet) need to be on leash for two (2) weeks following the procedure and no running or jumping during this time.

2) Microchip Clinic

- i. The last one was a success, and another one is needed.
- ii. Discussion of a new location (preferably in Port Angeles) for the next microchip clinic. Vern Burton and Olympic Veterinary Clinic were suggested.

1. Questions/Comments:

Ozias: Asks how many microchips may be placed during a clinic? To which Marshall responds, in two (2) hours, we were able to serve 40 people.

Hursh: Suggests that the City of Port Angeles help with the costs of the microchip clinic. To which Ozias replies, the County should also help with costs and believes this should be investigated further.

3) OPHS Bark House

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- i. OPHS Board
 - ii. There was discussion of a contract between OPHS and Clallam County.
 - 1. Questions/Comments:
 - Grady: Is the County renewing their contract with the humane society? If so, will someone make visits to make sure they are following the rules of the contract?
 - Ozias: The commissioners have not discussed a contract with the humane society. If there was a contract, then yes, there should be oversight. The County does not get to tell the humane society what they may or may not do. It makes sense to have the (OPHS) board come to one of the Animal Solutions Advisory Committee meetings and have a discussion. This may lead to trust re-building.
 - iii. OPHS facility
 - iv. The discussion continued concerning the current condition of the Bark House facility.
 - 1. Questions/Comments:
 - Overton: The HVAC was a problem. We now change the filters every ninety (90) days.
 - Allen: Is there still one (1) building for all the dogs?
 - Overton: Yes, to which Allen responds that one (1) building is not adequate when it is necessary to quarantine dogs and recommends two (2) buildings.
 - Overton: Responds that she will ask the OPHS board to conduct an emergency meeting.
 - Grady: Going forward, if the humane society needs guidance, would they be open to getting help from WAG or PFOA? To which some members responded that they are not willing to offer guidance.
 - Allen: Mentions that all procedures are outlined by The Humane Society of the United States and makes comment that even though facilities are different, they should all run similarly and agrees that it's a good idea to invite the board of the humane society to a meeting where there may be a discussion regarding standard operating procedure.
- 4) Dangerous Dogs
- i. Criteria
 - 1. Question:
 - Allen: Who determines that a dog is dangerous?
 - Shore: The deputies per county code and the court.
 - ii. Licensing
 - 1. Question:
 - Hursh: Believes more discussions are needed on policy and oversight and asks, maybe breeders need a license? To which Williams replies that she believes that change needs to begin with the board at OPHS.
- 5) Kelly Hall (OPCC) - Animal Care Services and the Homeless Population
- i. Kelly Hall addresses members and asks for suggestions.
 - 1. Question:
 - Hall: How do we get the word out about animal care and spay/neuter clinics to the homeless population when they may have a barrier to social media access such as Facebook?
 - Marshall: Suggests concentrating on going to one (1) homeless camp at a time.
 - Hall: States that the homeless population is not willing to have outsiders come into their camps.
 - Marshall: Maybe we could meet them somewhere like the Salvation Army or Serenity House?
 - Shore: Suggests collaborating with the Salvation Army to post information at their location advertising the animal care and spay/neuter events.
 - Hall: States that Serenity House has previously agreed to host an animal care and spay/neuter clinic.
- 6) Upcoming Events
- i. A second microchip clinic – Date TBD

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- ii. Spay/Neuter Clinic - May
- iii. WAG event - May 24, 2025.
- iv. Invite guests to talk about the Avian Influenza.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Updates on items previously discussed

PUBLIC COMMENT

- No comments were made.

NEXT MEETING – May 6, 2025 at 2:00 p.m.