MARION COUNTY DOG CLASSIFICATION BOARD
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
June 21, 2023

A regular meeting of the Dog Classification Board was held on June 21, 2023, at 1:00 p.m. The meeting was held at Marion County Growth Services Training Room, 2710 E. Silver Springs Blvd., Ocala, Florida.

Board members present: Kerry Crawford, Mike Deen, Eddie Leedy, Debbie Carney and Linda Norman. Alternate Barbara Tucker was excused absent. Animal Services Interim Director Stephanie Kash, Board Attorney Dana Olesky and Board Secretary Andrea Davis were present.

Eddie Leedy made a motion to accept the minutes from the February 1, 2023, meeting. Second by Debbie Carney and Linda Norman. Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

1. A23-138273 BW **Stacey Pilkerton and Michael Mullins**

Stacey Pilkerton and Michael Mullins requested a hearing regarding the classification of their dog "Tank" as Dangerous.

Animal Compliance Investigator Bridget Walker presented proof of service, photos, and gave testimony. Animal Control Officer Madison Nelson was present and gave testimony.

Kamariyah Rudolph, Damien Joyiens, D'Mari Joyiens and Akeemiyah Jackson were present and gave testimony.

Stacey Pilkerton, Michael Mullins, Destiny Lewis and Debbie Steins were present and gave testimony.

Debbie Carney made a motion that the board find that Animal Services does not have sufficient cause, per Marion County Code Chapter 4, Sections 4-2 and 4-22, and Florida State Statute 767.11 to classify "Tank" as Dangerous. Second by Linda Norman. After discussion, the board voted and the motion did not pass with a vote of 2-3. Kerry Crawford, Mike Deen and Eddie Leedy opposed.

A second motion was made by Eddie Leedy that the board find that Animal Services does have sufficient cause, per Marion County Code Chapter 4, Sections 4-2 and 4-22, and Florida State Statute 767.11 to classify "Tank" as Dangerous. Second by Mike Deen. After discussion, the board voted and the motion passed with a 3-2 vote. Debbie Carney and Linda Norman opposed.

Meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

T. M. Deen
Chairman

Andrea D
Witness

2/6/24
Date Adopted