



**Jackie Rose**  
Director

**Donna Gillesby**  
Deputy Director

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**Ventura County Animal Services Commission  
Regular Commission Meeting  
Meeting Minutes May 18, 2023**

**1. Call to Order at 9:04 a.m.**

**2. Roll Call:**

**Members Present:** Matt LaVere, County of Ventura Board of Supervisors; John Zaragoza, City of Oxnard; Rene Delgado, City of Moorpark; Tony Trembley, City of Camarillo; Mark Austin, City of Fillmore  
Steven Gama, City of Port Hueneme; Dee Dee Cavanaugh, City of Simi Valley; Liz Campos, City of Ventura.

**Members Absent:** Suza Francina, City of Ojai

**VCAS Staff present:** Jackie Rose – Director of Animal Services; Donna Gillesby, and Sandra Ropes – Animal Services.

**3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Supervisor Matt LaVere.**

**4. Review/Reordering of the Agenda:** Motion to reorder agenda and move Business Item #8A Elect Chair and Vice-Chair of VCAS Commission to Item #5.

**5. Consent Calendar**

A. Consider approval of the minutes of the regular Ventura County Animal Services Commission meeting of February 16, 2023

RECOMMENDATION: Approve minutes of the regular Ventura County Animal Services Commission meeting of February 16, 2023.

Motion Made by Commissioner Tony Tremble 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Dee Dee Cavanaugh

Roll Call vote: 7 – YES, 1 – ABSTAIN

**6. Presentation, Proclamations, and Commendations: NONE.**

**7. Public Comments:**

Public Comment by Lisa Koch.

Public Comment by Steven Clare.

Public Comment by Eric Deardoff.  
Public Comment by Kaja Gula - Thomas.  
Public Comment by Barbara Singer.  
Public Comment by Katie Arth.  
Public Comment by Sharon Clark.  
Public Comment by Kathy Uslan.  
Public Comment by Kim Schmeichel.  
Public Comment by John Larson.  
Public Comment by Karen Branch.

**8. Business Items:**

- A. Receive Update on New Animal Services Shelter  
VCAS Staff: Jackie Rose, Director

Action Taken: Update on New Animal Services Shelter received.

- B. Receive Presentation on Overview of VCAS Services  
VCAS Staff: Jackie Rose, Director

Action Taken: Presentation on Overview of VCAS Services received.

**9. Director's Report 15 minutes**

**1. Clear the Shelter Event**

• August 26, 2023

**2. Update Canine Influenza Incident**

**3. Owner Requested Euthanasia Services**

**10. Commissioner Comments:**

A. Commissioner Delgado addressed concerns shared by two public speakers regarding cats.

B. Commissioner Gama thanked the volunteers and complemented VCAS staff.

C. Commissioner Campos requested kindness from all public speakers towards each other.

D. Commissioner Zaragosa shared that he would be unable to attend August's meeting.

**11. Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

**Next meeting schedule for: Thursday, August 18, 2023, 9:00 a.m.**