

Chippewa County Humane Association Board of Director's Meeting
December 8, 2014

The Monthly Meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m. at the Chippewa County Courthouse. In attendance were board members: Paula Young, Deb Newman, Lori Mueller, Pam Gibbs, Karen Scarseth, and Sandra Stiles and shelter manager Jennifer Johnson. Molly Gezella-Baranczyk, Jackie Gibbs, were absent.

Members of the Public-None

Secretary's Report-A motion was made by Lori Mueller to approve the secretary's report and seconded by Karen Scarseth.

Treasurer's Report-A motion was made by Deb Newman to approve the treasurer's report and seconded by Pam Gibbs.

Reports of Standing Committees-

Fundraising-

- Newsletter- The newsletter is going out this week.
- Purr and Paw 2015- Is set for April 18 and will be at Horizons.
- Mailing- next donation mailing will be mailed out this week. Membership will be the next mailing and will go out in January.

Shelter Report-

- The census for the month of November: there were a total of 9 surrenders (5 dogs and 4 cats), 29 strays taken in (9 dogs and 20 cats), and no puppies or kittens were born at the shelter. There were no dogs but 1 cat euthanized due to health issues. There was no dogs but 1 cats euthanized due to aggressive behavior. There were no dogs or cats euthanized due to space, and no dogs but 2 kittens died at the shelter. There were 10 dogs and 38 cats adopted and there was no dogs or cats were owner claimed. There are 5 cats at Petsmart, 3 cats in foster care and 1 dog in foster care. The total census for the end of the month was: 13 dogs and 100 cats.
- Dr. Olivia Johnson performed 21 exams and CVIs for free.
- Five dogs and 4 cats went to the U of M for spay/neuter on November 19.
- Northside Veterinary performed 2 free cat spays, Lake Wissota Animal Hospital performed 5 cat neuters.
- The Name your own price adoption event was successful. They ere able to adopt 40 cats. Most donations were in the normal ranges of the regular adoption fees, with a few double what they normally receive!
- The new employee is no longer employed with the shelter. She had some personal things going on at home. So Jennifer is still interviewing applicants and very hopeful, the right person will come along soon. Savannah has decided to keep her employment at the shelter and is hopeful for a few less hours once they are able to hire another person.
- Bob's House for Dogs is fostering another dog for us. What a great organization!

- There have been 7 new volunteer applications this month and 2 more Foster home applications.
- Jennifer would like to purchase “One Fast Cat”. It looks like a huge hamster wheel with a laser light on it so the cats run in it. It is about \$250. After discussion, the board wants to see what money we get this last month of the year and then decide on this purchase.
- Jennifer is asking for Incentive Bonus for the 3 staff members: Gary, Kayla and Savannah for being under hours of what was budgeted for the year. So far this year the three of them are 740 hours under budget. Deb Newman made a motion that we do give the 3 staff a bonus at the end of the year after we know the exact numbers of how many hours they are under budget, and seconded by Lori Mueller. A vocal vote was taken and passed by all.
- Jennifer is asking if we would pay for her plane ticket, hotel and entrance fee to go to the American Humane Association Shelter Expo in New Orleans on March 30th - April 2 or 3. She would like to start looking if she can find a good deal on tickets soon and will look into when she needs to register.
- Mike Hanley has been volunteering his snow plowing service for the past few years, but has now moved his business into Eau Claire and is unable to get to our driveway early in the day. Jennifer will look into snow removal services and get bids.

New Business-

- A. Network for Good- Partnering with Giving Tuesday on Tuesday, December 2. There was \$1570 brought in, and with the matching funds of \$1 for every \$25 earned looks like we will bring in about \$1632.80.
- B. We have two open Board Positions.
- C. Contracts-
- E. Approve 2015 Budget- Deb Newman made a motion that we approve the budget of 2015, and seconded by Karen Scarseth. A vocal vote was taken and passed by all.
- F. sidecardogs.com- Sandra’s husband John heard about this site/fundraiser. This place arranges with our local movie theatre to show this movie and we get all the proceeds after the cost of the movie. The theatre sets the price and all we have to do is advertise and sell tickets. If we don’t sell enough tickets we are not out anything. Sandra will look into this some more and bring to the next meeting.

Old Business-

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A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Pam Gibbs. The meeting was adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

The next board meeting will be held on Monday, January 12, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chippewa County Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Stiles, Secretary.