

Chippewa County Humane Association Board of Director's Meeting
January 11, 2016

The Monthly Meeting was called to order at 6:04 p.m. at the Chippewa County Courthouse. In attendance were board members: Deb Newman, Pam Gibbs, Lori Mueller, Karen Scarseth, Paula Young, Julie Brooke, and Sandra Stiles. Shelter Manager Jennifer Johnson was absent.

Members of the Public- None.

Secretary's Report- A motion was made by Paula Young to approve the secretary's report and seconded by Pam Gibbs. No objections. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report- Lori needed to make some changes to the 2106 Budget, Pam Gibbs approved this new budget and Paula Young seconded this. No Objections. Budget approved. There is an extra \$15,000 in checking that will be moved into savings.

We have \$2100 left from the mold irradiation project and so this will go toward the gutter project.

Current balance of checking is \$39,251.69, and savings is \$74,511. A motion was made by Paula Young to approve the treasurer's report and seconded by Karen Scarseth. No objections. Minutes approved.

Shelter Report-

-The census for the month of December: there were a total of 15 surrenders (9 dogs, 5 cats and 1 other), 22 strays taken in (8 dogs and 14 cats), and no puppies or kittens were born at the shelter. There were no dogs or cats euthanized due to health issues. There were no dogs but 3 cats euthanized due to aggressive behavior (feral). There were no dogs or cats euthanized due to space. There were no dogs but 5 cats that died in their kennels. There were 16 dogs, 26 cats and 1 other adopted and there were no dogs or cats that were owner claimed. There are 4 cats at Petsmart and 2 cats in foster care. The total census for the end of the month was: 8 dogs and 97 cats.

-Northside Veterinary performed 2 free cat spays, CVC performed 1 free dog spay and Lake Wissota Animal Hospital neutered 5 cats.

-Jennifer spoke at Southview Elementary to the First grade students about what they do at the Shelter. She took a tiny kitten with, which was a big hit. The students collected many donations from the wish list and Susan Gutknecht from the Elks Club assisted her on the trip. The shelter should be receiving the grant check around the end of January.

-The Shelter transported 5 cats and 5 dogs to Globe University in December, for routine vaccines, lab work and 2 cats were spayed. Dr. Valeri Womack has given her notice, and they are hopeful to have her replacement before the next quarter starts in mid January.

-Riverview Veterinary has opened and this is a small animal practice owned by Dr. Simonson. She is willing to perform one free cat spay a month along with a free exam to any animal adopted from our shelter.

-Pumpkin, our Entropian cat, had surgery on both eyes and was neutered by Dr. Rothbauer at a discounted price of \$200. Normal cost would be \$300-\$600 per eye, plus the cost of the neuter.

We are grateful for his generosity, but it does look as though Pumpkin will need one additional surgery.

- The shelter was in the Chippewa Falls Winter Parade this year. The weather was beautiful and the turnout was great. Jennifer thinks they got some wonderful exposure and Maxx, her husband's barking weimaraner, was a crowd pleaser.

Standing Committees Updates-

A. Mailing and memberships-A motion was made by Lori Mueller to approve a \$5 discount for reoccurring renewing membership and seconded by Paula Young. This mailer will be sent out as soon as possible.

B. Purr and Paw-will be on April 2 at Horizons. The Theme will be "The Murder of a Millionaire".

New Business-

A. We have two open Board Positions. Matt still was unable to attend this meeting, he is still interested in one of these open board positions.

B. Surrender Fees- If not a contracting township, we would charge an additional \$20 above the \$30 surrender fee, starting February 1st.

C. Board Member responsibilities- There was a discussion about which board members will be in charge of which tasks.

D. Health Insurance for Manager- A motion was made by Paula Young to approve that we will give up to \$2000 maximum, for the shelter manager to use toward health insurance and seconded by Lori Mueller. No objections. Minutes approved.

Old Business-

A. Hallie Contract-Hallie Contract- Deb Newman has had conversations with Cal Smokowicz from Lake Hallie Police, and he has decided that they do not want to contract with us. He was going to contact ECCHA and see what they have to say.

B. Gutters at shelter- table until next month.

C. Ornaments- only 1 person would like an ornament this year.

D. Member handbook- table until next month.

E. Contract with Molly- we will get together with Molly in the end of January to discuss what she will do for advertising for the shelter.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Lori Mueller. The meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Closed Session

The next board meeting will be held on Monday, February 8, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chippewa County Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted by Sandra Stiles, Secretary.