Chippewa County Humane Association Board of Director’s Meeting

April 9, 2018

The Monthly Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. at the Chippewa County Courthouse.

In attendance were board members: Deb Newman, Pam Gibbs, Lori Mueller, Paula Young, Karen Scarseth, Sandra Stiles, and Shelter Manager Intern Holly Morrison. Quincy Chapman and Christine Myer were absent.

**Members of the Public: None**.

**Secretary’s Report:** A motion was made to approve the secretary’s report by Lori Mueller and seconded by Karen Scarseth. All consented. Minutes approved.

**Treasurer’s Report:** The current balance of checking is $54,492.00, the Money Market is $186,071.00 and savings is $8,826.00. The Ruth Crane bequest also came in, $9500. A motion was made to approve the treasurer’s report by Paula Young and seconded by Karen Scarseth. All consented. Report approved.

**Shelter Report:** The census for the month of March: there were 26 surrenders (11 dogs and 13 cats and 2 rabbits), and 18 strays (3 dogs and 14 cats and 1 rat). We took in 12 dogs from Texas. There were no puppies or kittens born at the shelter. There was 2 cat euthanasias for health concerns and 1 rat euthanasia for health concerns. There were no cats or dogs euthanized due to space. There were 20 dog adoptions, 29 cat adoptions, and 2 rabbit adoptions. There were 5 cats transferred to the SCRAM Rescue in St. Paul, MN. There was 1 dog owner claims and 1 cat owner claim. There were 3 cats at Petsmart, 0 dog at Bob’s house for dogs, 2 dogs in foster care, and 4 cats/kittens in foster care. The total census at the end of the month was: 18 dogs, 64 cats, and 1 rabbit at the shelter.

-There was at 1 spay Chippewa Vet Clinic, 2 spays at Northside Pet Hospital, 1 spay at Kindness Animal Hospital, 9 neuters at Lake Wissota Animal Hospital, and 2 spays at Riverview Vet all free of charge.

-We rescued 12 dogs from Texas shelters (Jett, Leo, Collin, Colby, Bindi, Ginger, Spot, Mocha, Buddy, Russ, Lilly, Daisy).

-I have sent the finalized Grant record to the Community Foundation with pictures.

-Octavia had surgery to close her eye at Riverview and is doing very well.

-The Kressin Family celebrated their cats almost 17th birthday at the shelter. Their cat Stormy passed away shortly before his golden birthday on March 17th. In his honor, they gave us many donations. Bloomer FFA gave us a bunch of donations they collected.

-We have been running into issues with some people’s choice of vet about prepaying for a neuter/spay before an animal leaves. Even when Holly has called and talked to the vet about why we want them to prepay, the vet clinic still will not allow the client to pay before the vet sees the animal. So to try and ensure the spay/neuter would get done, we were thinking about implementing a $50 fee that once the person shows proof of spay/neuter they can get refunded. We can still confirm appointment before the animal leaves. This would only be for vet clinics that do not allow for the prepay we require.

-Holly has gotten 2 bids for the rain gutter above the staff door on the big garage. The bid from Champion Builders for the gutters was for $265. They are the company who has done other work for the shelter also. A motion was made to approve the application of gutters and we will decide where the money comes from latter. This motion was made by Pam Gibbs and seconded by Paula Young. All consented. Report approved.

-The dryer guy is coming to look at one dryer that is not blowing hot air and is continuously spinning.

**Standing Committees Updates:**

A. **Purr and Paw**: April 7, Eagle’s Club. Sin City - The total net income from the Purr and Paw was $10,417.29

**New Business:**

**A. Purr and Paw:** Final amount is listed above.

B. **Dog Walk:** Sandra will meet with Pam Gibbs sometime soon to discuss the process and time frame she has taken in the past.

**C. 2018 Chippewa Valley Airshow:** Pam has 8 volunteers so far for June 16th and 17th.

**D. Pups on the Patio @ Leinie's Lodge:** This is a social event and will be on April 30.

Holly will get more information and email us all.

E. **Newsletter updates/additions:** Pam wants more suggestions for the next one.

**F. Facilities Review:** Deb forgot the list, but the big ticket items we remember include:

kitchen, parking lot, windows and doors. Holly found out that the front door is actually

an interior door and not meant to be used there, and there are a few windows that are

fogging up.

**Old Business:**

**A**. Wal-Mart Distribution Center Pick-ups

B. Insurance- Gary has insurance on his vehicle, but we still need to check with our insurance.

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Paula Young and Karen Scarseth seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

The next board meeting will be held on Monday, May 14, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Chippewa County Courthouse in Room 119Q.

Respectfully submitted by Christine Myers, Secretary (April Minutes recorded by Sandra Stiles - Board Member).