

Minutes
Milford Animal Shelter Commission
January 13, 2009
664 East Broadway, Milford Ct. 06460

Members present
Marilyn Blake
Sarah Nierenberg
Ed Leuchtner
Jan Diamond

Also present
Rick George, Director
Laurie Cooper

Meeting brought to order at 12:15

Disposition of minutes: Motion made by Commissioner Nierenberg seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner to accept the minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Wardens Report: Motion made by Commissioner Blake and seconded by Commissioner Nierenberg to accept the wardens report, motion carried.

Department Report: Rick George passed his probation. The State birds are to be tested this week, and all State dogs are to be altered before adoption under APCP program. Channel 79 will be televising info blips from the Shelter. They would like to eventually do a quarterly segment. Donations made to Shelter accounts \$1200.00. There will be budget cuts again. It will be very difficult to operate and keep same services. Motion was made by Commissioner Diamond and seconded by Commissioner Blake to accept the Department report. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Many Thank you notes from adoptees

Commission Report: Commissioner Nierenberg mad a motion to change the meeting day to the second Wednesday of the month at 12 noon Commissioner Leuchtner seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Leuchtner wanted to commend Rick and the staff for doing such a great job in the Bethany case.

New Business.

- a. Election of officers: Commissioner Nierenberg made a motion to elect Commissioner Blake to the Chairman position seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner motion carried. Commissioner Leuchtner made a motion to elect Commissioner Nierenberg as Vice Chairman seconded by Commissioner Diamond, motion carried.

b. Welcome new Commissioner: tabled

c. Honoring of Commissioner Donenfeld: A motion was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Diamond to name the Pet Food Bank the "Stella Donenfeld Pet Food Bank" motion carried. A vote was also taken to take Stella to lunch honoring her years of service to the City of Milford and the Animal Shelter, on 1/28/09.

Old Business:

a. Volunteer update: It has been very slow but Laurie said that is to be expected due to the weather. Dee is doing the "pennies for Pups" drive again.

b. Feral Cat up-date: All is status quo. Trapping is slow due to the winter months.

c. financial up-date: No report again from Pound Pooches. Pictures with Santa was a great success. We made over 800 dollars on just pictures and baked goods. The printer was phenomenal.

d. Pet Food Bank: there was once again an overwhelming response to the plea in the paper. "Milford Rocks"

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Leuchtner and seconded by Commissioner Diamond, meeting adjourned at 13.50 hours.

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Liptak