## Minutes Milford Animal Commission June 10, 2009 664 East Broadway Milford, CT 06460

Members present: Chairman M. Blake Marlene Scrivani Sarah Nierenberg Ed Leuchtner Also Present: Rick George, AC Director Laurie Cooper, Volunteer Coordinator

A motion was made to accept the minutes as presented by Commissioner Leuchtner and seconded by Commissioner Nierenberg motion carried.

A motion was made to accept the Wardens report by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner motion carried.

Department Report: Rick shared the power point presentation that he put together for his meeting with the Kiwanis Club. There is a Hoarding Symposium on June 17 at the Hilton Garden Inn. It is being hosted by the Health dept. for the entire region. Rick and Barbara Godejohn will be presenting for one of the break out groups. Rick reported that there is \$5405.00 in the building fund account and \$4902.94 in the general donation account.

Commission Report: There was some confusion about the meeting time it was determined that the meeting time is 11:30 am. Chairman Blake asked Rick if all that the shelter does is getting noticed by the press as she feels that the PR is very important. Rick said that usually if it is a case they are going on there isn't time to notify the press and no one really thinks about it.

Correspondence: none

Old Business: Pound Pooches: Nothing New budget up-date: The Shelter budget was cut as were all of the department. It is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the services when the City keeps cutting the budget.

Volunteer Update: Laurie reported that there are many new volunteers. The annual Volunteer appreciation picnic will be held at the Shelter sometime in August.

Disaster Preparedness: Everything is pretty much ready we are just waiting for the equipment from the Federal Government.

Feral Cat Program: Ran out of money early on in this budget year. The amount of kittens passing through the shelter is significantly lower than in years past. This means the program IS working and we are now seeing the fruits of our labor. However there are still cats to be done. They are doing only immediate cases until the new budget year 7/1. Cindy Shultz should once again be commended for her trapping diligence, without which the program would not have been as successful.

New Business: Milford Dog Ordinance: tabled until July Meeting

A motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 12:30

Respectfully Submitted, Pat Liptak