

Minutes
Milford Animal Shelter Commission
June 17, 2008
664 East Broadway, Milford Ct. 06460

Members present

Stella Donenfeld, Chairman
Marilyn Blake
Jan Diamond
Sarah Nierenberg
Ed Leuchtner

Also present

Rick George, Director
Laurie Cooper

Meeting brought to order at 12:20.

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

Warden's report: motion to accept the warden's report made by Commissioner Blake seconded by Commissioner Nierenberg motion carried.

Department Report: Pat will be working temporarily as a seasonal employee in the capacity of consultant/ Asst. ACO. Rick received much positive press following his appointment. The Milford Weekly has asked Rick to do a column on pet news etc. it will be called "From the Dog House" There was a baby fawn dropped off at the shelter the staff found a rehabber and Rick met them half way from Cromwell so that they could take the baby. It was approximately 4 weeks old. Rick sent an extensive list to Public Works of things needing to be done at the shelter. Hopefully they will do these things in a timely fashion. Cindy is trapping at a large feral cat colony on Oronoque Rd. she has trapped about 15 cats already.

Correspondence: Both Pat and Rick received a massive amount of congratulatory cards and e-mails.

Commission Report: Stella received an official letter from the Mayor appointing Rick George to the position of Director/ACO of Milford Animal Control. The commission warmly welcomed the new Director and they hope all remains status quo or better.

Old Business:

- a. Volunteer update: Laurie announced that Dee is having Pats retirement / volunteer picnic at her house on 7/27/08 and invited all of the commission members. The flower beds are coming slow the dirt underneath is like a rock. Rick will see about getting it roto-tilled. The flower boxes have been finished and they look lovely.
- b. Feral Cat Program: See Department report.

- c. Financial Report: General Donation fund \$3000.62 Building fund \$2927.00.
No report from Pound Pooches this month as to our totals there. Rick reported that Pound Pooches did pay the outstanding balance from Snowflake but still hasn't paid Dr. Weill his outstanding balance.

New Business:

- a. Food bank: Chairman Donnenfeld would like to see other municipalities start Pet Food Banks. With the state of our economy it has been reported that many People can't afford to keep their animals.
- b. Personnel: the Shelter has a new Director, a new Seasonal and an opening for an Assistant ACO.

Motion to adjourn made by Commissioner Nierenberg seconded by Commissioner Blake
Meeting Adjourned at 13:20 hours.

Next Meeting July 8, 2007

Respectfully Submitted,
Pat Liptak