## Animal Commission Minutes <u>July 10, 2013</u>

Members Present Also Present

M. Blake

S. Nierenberg

N. Tuder

E. Leuchtner

Director George C. Aaronson

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

A motion was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Tuder to accept the wardens report. Motion carried.

## Department Report:

Director George reported that the census has risen and they need to have more adoptions. He also reported that he is in the process of doing the Annual Report.

## **Commission Report:**

Chairman Blake reported that, the Mayors Assistant called her about the Commissions request for a meeting with the Mayor, concerning remarks he allegedly made about closing the Shelter. He assured her that the Mayor would never entertain changing anything, regarding the Shelter, without consulting with Director George and the Commission first. She further stated, that following the last meeting, she went to visit the Stratford facility. Although she made her visit during open hours, there was no one there. She waited for over an hour and still no one came. Finally a volunteer showed up. While conversing with the volunteer she asked if the shelter just closed down regularly, she was told that it happens often, and just recently Mayor Blake and the Mayor from Stratford showed up and everyone had to leave so they could close down to allow the two Mayors to have a private tour. Marilyn suggested that Pat, once again attempt to schedule a meeting with the Mayor for sometime in September. The entire Commission concurred.

Pound Pooches: Status Quo

Volunteer up-date- Good core group

Non-Profit: tabled Commissioner Diamond absent

Meeting with the Mayor:

Pat will try once again to schedule a meeting. Since the Shelter is in a flood plane the Commission would like to know the Mayors vision for the shelter, going into the future.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Tuder to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 13:05.

Respectfully Submitted, Pat Liptak