## Minutes Milford Animal Shelter Commission August 10. 2011 664 Fast Broadway Milford Ct. 06466

664 East Broadway, Milford Ct. 06460

Members Present

Also present

M. Blake

E. Leuchtner

Rick George

J. Diamond

N. Tudder

S. Nierenberg

Meeting brought to order at 11:37

Commissioner Nierenberg made a motion to accept the minutes as presented Commissioner Diamond seconded motion carried.

Commissioner Nierenberg made a motion to accept the Wardens report, Commissioner Tudder seconded, motion carried.

Rick reported that the whole yard was still in quite a mess due to the new sewer lines. The roaming cow hasn't been caught yet. He is making a have-a-heart trap to try and catch him. He ordered a new vehicle it will be a cargo van with gps and graphics many extras. The shed where the freezer is kept and all the lawn equipment is rotting out. Rick asked the Commission to purchase a new one for &16279.00 or less. Commissioner Diamond made a motion to purchase the shed Commissioner Leuchtner seconded, motion carried. The Dryer in the kennels broke, Tri City is coming to see if it can be fixed. Motion to purchase a new one if it can't be fixed made by Commissioner Tudder seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner, motion carried.

Chairman Blake shared an article with all About the JC's food drive. Rick said it was amazingly successful. She also reported that we raised &1507.00 at the Paws for a Cause Walk. \$155.00 was collected in the4 donation jar. Dick Popalowsky was very pleased and we will definitely due it again next year. Commissioner Tudders Husband made a beautiful video of the event, Secretary Liptak suggested that Rick see about getting it played on our public access station. He agreed to try and make this happen, as it is something the whole city can enjoy. Chairman Blake reported that she is getting complaints about dogs on the boardwalk and owners not picking up after dogs. Rick said he will beef up patrols in that area.

Old Business:

Pound Pooches is still on the City Attorneys list..

Rick reported that they have cut back on some of the volunteers because of the construction and the liability if someone gets hurt. Bridgett Albert came in from the Orange Group A.R.F. and offered any help they can give us.

Commissioner Diamond, with the approval of the entire Commission would like to set up a non-profit organization for the shelter. The first thing needed is a mission statement and By-laws. Some of the duties for the group will be to oversee the donations, submit the proper paperwork to the state, have regular audits, fundraisers and anything else the Shelter needs that is out of the realm of the city. There will be one or two Commissioners on the board and the Director of the Shelter will be an ad-hoc member.

Commissioner Nierenberg made a motion to add an item to the agenda in New Business, Our Annual Christmas with Santa event. Diamond seconded motion, carried.

Rick reported that he would like to it really big this year. Not just pictures but entertainment for the kids (hay rides games etc.) Vendors etc. Make it very festive. A motion was made by Commissioner Tudder and seconded by Commissioner Diamond. Motion carried

A motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Nierenberg and seconded by Commissioner Leuchtner. Motion carried meeting adjourned at 13:00 hrs.

Respectfully Submitted, Pat Liptak