

GREEN COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, DEC 14TH 2011

6:30 PM

The meeting was called to order by Paul Barrett, President. Board members present were Dean Counselman, Lester Grossen, Sherri Fiduccia, Chris Soukup, Rachel Schardt, Tracey Pederson, Andrea Stephenson and Heidi Treuthardt. Members not present were Norah Sanders and Emily Sievers. Others present were Deb Broge, Shelly Weiss and Kristen Jensen.

Secretary's and Treasurer's Reports – No questions were asked, reports were put on file.

Executive Director's Report - Deb Broge reported that there are currently 146 animals at the shelter. The numbers of cats taken in has risen by 37%. She also reported on animal health and welfare, incidents/injuries and community awareness. She also informed the board that we will be working with Globe University for no cost medical services through their vet tech program.

Guest speaker – John Baumann spoke to the board about the endowment fund for the new shelter. He explained in detail how the fund would work, why it is needed and answered questions. Rachel Schardt made a motion that GCHS approve the creation of an endowment fund for the new shelter and Tracey Pederson seconded. Motion was passed unanimously with a show of hands.

Unfinished Business

Paul reported the United Way funds cannot be designated for buying pet food for the pet food pantry. The issue of GCHS purchasing food for the pantry was discussed. The board agreed that GCHS would donate all unused donated food, but no monetary funds will be disbursed to purchase food at this time. This may change in the future as funding changes. Discussions on the four spay/neuter clinics for 2012 was tabled until the January meeting.

New Business

The 2012 budget was handed out. Discussion was tabled until the January meeting.

Committee Reports

Euthanasia – Deb Broge reported that one cat was euthanized due to a medical condition.

Special Events – Paul Barrett stated that anyone interested in helping the Pawlapalooza Committee should contact Norah Sanders.

Medical Advisory – Heidi Treuthardt reported that the committee is in the final stage of putting together the Foster Program. Details to come in January.

Public Relations – Rachel Schardt reported that the year’s final newsletter was sent out.

Policy and Procedures – The committee recommended changes and additions to the following policy areas: redemptions, facility access, collaboration with organizations, public relations, animal admissions and events. A motion was made by Andrea Stephenson to accept the changes to the Policy and Procedures manual. Motion was seconded by Chris Soukup and was passed unanimously with a show of hands. Rachel Schardt reported that the committee will be meeting in January.

Building and Grounds – Dean Counselman reported on the winterizing process of the building.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 pm for closed session.

These minutes were written and submitted by Heidi Treuthardt, Secretary.