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DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

FEBRUARY 19, 2019

<u>Present:</u> Commission members Marilyn Vailette, Gretchen Dale, Melodie O'Connor, Stephanie Malkin

Absent: Eunice Lasala , Laurie VanWilgen

Guest: Laura Burban, Jennifer Aniskovich

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

<u>CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE-</u>Jennifer Aniskovich came to give the commission and update on the capital campaign project. The input of the last 3 year donor to DCAS is just being completed by Laura and the staff. The Planning committee has had several meeting and is moving ahead. The shelter staff is getting their roles and responsibilities for the Capital Campaign. In the next month Jennifer will begin feasibility interviews with some of our current and potential donors

Jennifer is waiting for the final cost of the current plans from Joe Sepot. Once they have the final figure they will begin to work on finalizing the Capital Campaign goals and create the project vision and messaging

ACTION POINT: Marilyn Vailette made a motion to retain Jennfer Aniskovich for Phase II of the Capital Campaign. Melodie O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

<u>DISCUSSION OF DCAS COMPENSATION</u>-a discussion was brought forward by Marilyn Vailette about the compensation of our shelter staff and was it in line with what other shelter workers were making. It was discussed that we should get hold of a SAWA (Society of Animal Welfare Administrators) survey of current animal welfare salaries across the country and see how ours compare. Gretchen Dale said she would try to see if she could get this from an organization that belongs to SAWA for further discussion.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING: Marilyn Vialette made a motion to accept the minutes of the last meeting. Stephanie Malkin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

MISSION AND VISION STATEMENT: Discussion was tabled to a later time

FUNDRAISERS:

Lenny's Puppy Love event raised \$2580

Pasta Dinner is set for March 31st- everything is set and all the needed food and supplies are in work and we expect to be all set for what we need.

Marilyn Vailette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Melodie O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved. The Meeting was adjourned at 7:19 PM