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**Present:** Commission members Marilyn Vailette, Gretchen Dale, Eunice Lasala, Stephanie Malkin

**By call in:** Eric Maass, Laure VanWilgen, Melodie O'Connor

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**Guests:** Laura Burban, Jennifer Aniskovich, Ray Dunbar , 2<sup>nd</sup> Selectman town of Branford

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM

**Minutes of the last meeting:** Melodie O'Connor made a motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting. Stephanie Malkin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Monthly reports**

Were reviewed. Eunice LaSala made a motion to approve the reports, Melody O'Connor seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**Overview of the Shelter Project/Capital Campaign**

Jennifer Aniskovich gave an update of the capital campaign. Planning Committee is now finished. The Capital Campaign Cabinet will meet in February. Should be 8 people including some planning committee members, commission members and people who are passionate about animals and connected with people in the area. Eric Maas and Stephanie Malkin are currently on the cabinet. Gretchen Dale volunteered to be the third board member on the cabinet.

Laura Burban and Jennifer Aniskovich gave a review of the Capital Campaign Status.

- Laura is in the process of writing for grants
- We are in the quiet phase soliciting donations at the leadership level.
- 70% of the money should be raised in the quiet phase before going public.
- Third Phase will be the public phase which will hopefully begin in April/May of 2020 and will include parties, events and other things to reach the public for donations.

**EVENTS:**

Puppy Love- is a fundraiser at Lenny's in Branford. Will include a 50/50 Raffle.

Pasta Dinner- Marilyn announced the date of March 29, 2020. Will be contact our last year's list for food donations. Please try to get biodegradable products to be used at the dinner.

Ray Dunbar Comments:

Ray gave some thoughts on the shelter project. Thought we should get as many BOF and RTM members as possible to do a tour of the shelter. Make sure North Branford is totally on board. He mentioned the Public Works Project which is another larger project on the town radar.

Motion to Adjourn: Eunice LaSala made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Makin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Dale

Secretary

Dan Cosgrove Animal Shelter Commission

