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February 20, 2018

Present: Commission Members: Marilyn Vailette, Eunice Lasala, Stephanie Malkin, Mary

Mellows, Laurie VanWilgen

Absent: Gretchen Dale, Melodie O'Connor

Guest: Laura Burban, DCAS Director

The Meeting was called to order at 6:02 by Marilyn Vailette

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MONTHLY MEETING: Eunice Lasala made a motion to approve the Minutes from the last meeting. Stephanie Malkin seconded the motion. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

MONTHLY REPORTS: Mary Mellows made a motion to approve the monthly reports. Stephanie Malkin seconded the motion. The monthly reports were unanimously approved.

<u>PREVIOUS FUNDRAISERS:</u> Previous fundraisers were reviewed. The Puppy Love Fundraiser at Lenny's Indian Head raised a total of \$3,311.00. The 2 days spent outside of Stop and Shop in Branford raised a total of approximately \$800.00.

NEW COMMISSION MEMBER: New Commission Member Laurie VanWilgen introduced herself and was welcomed by the current Commission Members.

<u>PASTA DINNER:</u> This year's pasta dinner will take place on Sunday, March 25th. A total of 120 tickets will be sold. Prices this year will be \$20.00 for adults and \$10.00 for children (ages 12 and under).

SHELTER REFURBISHING: A follow-up discussion from last month's meeting regarding the shelter re-furbish commenced; a general overview of the process thus far was provided for the benefit of the new Commission Member. Laura Burban submitted a proposal for a \$250,000 grant from the Weiderhold Foundation for the refurbishment project; decisions will be made sometime in March.

FUTURE FUNDRAISERS:

1. Pasta Dinner- March 25, 2018

Laura Burban noted that 2018 calendars are on sale at the Shelter for \$5.00. In addition, Woofstock planning meetings will begin on February 28th. Laura also mentioned that she would like to plan a party for April to celebrate the Shelter's 15th anniversary.

Eunice Lasala made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Malkin seconded the motion. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:05 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Malkin

DCAS Commission