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DAN COSGROVE ANIMAL COMMISSION MINUTES

March 21, 2023

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ADMINISTRATOR TO ANIMAL COMMISSION

Present: Marilyn Valette, Gretchen Dale, Laurie Van Wilgen, Melodie O'Connor, Stephanie Malkin, John Dendas

Absent: Eric Maass

Guest: Laura Burban

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 PM

Monthly Reports: Were reviewed and no questions were put forward by the commission. Melodie O'Connor made a motion to approve the reports. Laurie Van Wilgen Seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously passed.

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

Staff Bullet Points for New Shelter: The staff is still working on these and will hopefully have them ready for the May Commission Meeting.

Shelter Grand Opening: **Laura** reviewed the plans for the Grand opening of the Shelter on May 8th at 12:00PM. She is working on the signage for the donors to hopefully have it ready for this. Melodie O'Connor suggested perhaps we could take the paper acknowledging all donors. Laura will see if that is possible.

Shelter update: Laura reviewed the cleansing schedule that is now in place and starting 2-3 days of the week and what areas it will include. Still working on the lawn maintenance schedule. She does not have that yet. Dumpster and recycling bins are all in place and working.

A rabies Clinic is planned for May date to be announced. 250 viles of rabies vaccine have been donate. A vet from Madison Veterinary will donate his time for the clinic,

This year is the 20th anniversary of the DCSA shelter and the committee had a discussion of how to celebrate that. Melodie O'Connor and Gretchen Dale volunteered to work on this and plan for early Fall.

Fundraisers: Laura reported on the first meeting of the Woofstock Planning committee. Lake Veterinary has taken the main sponsorship and Premier has taken the second sponsorship. The committee is still working on the Hippy Dog costume and Children's sponsors.

Melodie O'Connor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Stephanie Making seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Dale

Secretary

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