

Green County Humane Society
Board meeting minutes
February 13th, 2008
6:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order by President Yvonne Schutte. Other members present were Barb Gerber, Paul Barrett, Heidi Treuthardt, Mary Jane Grenzow, Chris Sokup, Tracey Pederson, Mick McClain, Sherri Fiduccia, Tina Gilbert and Sue Curran. Also present was Tonya Kelly/ Shelter Director.

The meeting opened with John Baumann of Swiss Colony commending the present GCHS Board for all the positive work they have been doing the past several months. The Board in turn gave John Baumann and the Swiss Colony a huge thank you for all the support they have given to the organization. John also presented a "Pilot Program for Community Service". For this program Swiss Colony sponsors two individuals from local organizations for each Monday and Tuesday evening to cover 100% of GCHS's volunteer needs beginning February 25th. Mondays will be covered by Rebel Soccer and Tuesdays by The Monroe Theatre Guild. This program will have positive results for all three organizations involved.

Angie Meyer from Green County Leaders presented a survey that was created by The Green County Leaders board. In a few weeks 2500 surveys will be randomly sent out county wide with 2500 more to be sent if needed. These surveys do not need a name and have a self addressed stamped envelope so they can be returned. A report of the responses will be possibly presented to the Board in several weeks.

Treasurers Report

Paul Barrett gave each board member a financial statement for January. As of the 31st we have a net income of \$217.22. Approximately \$2400 was spent on purchasing and installing a new tub and doors. It was also noted that utilities were higher than normal due to the extreme cold weather.

Old Business

No update of the van was available this month.

Shelter Director's Report

Tonya presented the annual animal report for 2007. Sue Ross is maintaining these reports monthly. She also presented a sheet to all Board members of all intake procedures for dogs and cats. As of February 13th there are 30 dogs, 67 cats, 44 cats in trailer, 11 to spay, 14 to neuter, 12 ringworm, 2 cats and 2 dogs in foster care, 2 FIV and FeLuk. 4 dogs to spay and 3 to neuter, 8 feral cats- with a total of 111 cats. We have had 3 cats over a year as of March 1st.

Tonya also presented a idea of having a pet fair in the beginning of May possibly at Slice. Many events are in the planning stages. More details at the next meeting.

Committee Reports

Nominating-The deadline to send in your name to be nominated to run for the board openings at the May annual meeting is March 17th. You can get your name and letter of intent to Heidi Treuthardt.

Fundraising-Pedal For Paws is July 12 in New Glarus. We will be participating in the St. Pat's Day Parade on March 17th. It is at 5:17 p.m. Barb is contacting Rebel soccer to see if they want to walk with us and wear their jerseys. Tracey Pederson commented that fundraising could go much deeper. It was discussed that a separate "special events" committee could be more effective in reaching our fund raising goals. This separate committee would help disperse the workload that comes with fundraising. Maddies Fund-the recent deadline for 08 has passed. Next deadline for 09 in in the fall. Tracey said the UW has a grant list which could be looked into and possibly some of them could be applied for. The Bernie Show is May 5th- this could possibly be moved up to be before the Pet Fair.

Volunteers-Tonya would like to set up a training session for volunteers from MARS. Tonya will contact them. Project World-This is a 9 week course at the Monroe Middle School. This class has volunteered in the past, Yvonne or Tonya will be contacting the teacher of the course to see if she would to do something that is more steady.

Adoption Applications/Inspections-Paul brought up that that an official form should be designed to document either the approval or denial of adoption. This also should include a space for the reason of the denial and room for signatures of Director and adoptee.

Building and Grounds-the Building Committee is meeting Feb. 26th. There is concern over the washer that keeps breaking. Steve Jacobson would like to donate a washer and a dryer but they are not commercial size. Paul had some prices on a new commercial size washer. The commercial size is important because of the heavy daily use the machine would get.

Public Relations-Website is up to date at this moment. Mary Jane has had response to update the website from 2 people. Most likely this new site will not be ready until summer. The newsletter will be printed the week of the 18th and will go out shortly after that.

Membership-The list of people we have on our mailing list is very extensive. Since we really do not have a list of when their memberships expire we need to present a plan that could be implemented by the Annual Meeting.

SNAP-half are used. We had 4800 last year and will have 5000 in 08.

Personnel and Executive-these committees have been combined.

Policies and Procedures-meets Feb. 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Medical Advisory Board-members: Dr. Lisa Holcomb, Dr. Amy Hagen and Tonya Kelly. They will be working on intake sheets and protocols.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

These minutes were written and submitted by Heidi Treuthardt, Secretary