

RUSK COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, February 21st, 2019 at 8:30 A.M.
Rusk County Government Center – Conference Room

Present: Roger Gierke, Ken Pedersen, Kathy Mai, Nancy Christianson.

Others Present: Paula Carow, Michal Mendelski, Karen Welke, Danielle Zimmer.

Meeting called to order at 8:27 a.m.

Minutes from January 17, 2019 meeting reviewed. Motion by Pedersen, second by Christianson to approve minutes from January 17, 2019. Motion carried.

Public Comment: No public present.

FRCAS update: Carow will give update during the committee discussion on fencing.

Purple Cat Vet Visit: Welke informed committee that the visit from last month had to be rescheduled for March 25th due to difficulties experienced by the Purple Cat Vet due to the extreme cold. They are scheduled once a month through September and they will be using the exam room right in the shelter to perform the surgeries.

Dog Park Fencing: Welke updated on the progress, waiting for estimates. Carow indicated that the FRCAS plan on supplying 100% of the funding and will work with the WRA to get it mowed and the brush cleared out again, then once the project is finished the upkeep would be taken care of by the county/city. Welke provided aerial photo with proposed fencing: 1,048 feet of fencing with a double entry, tension wire at the bottom, pole will be driven in 4 feet, with a height of 6 feet. Discussion. Carow updated on three upcoming fundraisers to raise funds for the fencing project.

Shelter Report: Report distributed and reviewed. See attached. Welke updated on the high number of rabbits at the shelter currently.

Shelter Updates:

- **Managers' Report:** Welke updated there are a number of new volunteers getting trained in, shelter is still full as cats and dogs are coming in on a regular basis. Bite calls are coming in regularly as well as many calls regarding animals outside.

Maintenance: Generator – Gierke informed committee that Joint Management wants to go with a manual switch generator, discussion on manual versus automatic. Consensus of committee that an automatic switch generator would be more practical and cost effective should another power outage occur. Ice issues/plowing – Welke informed committee that the city had placed markers as the plan was they would be doing the plowing, which they have not done this winter. Welke had to call maintenance and Thompson's has been taking care of plowing. Bill has now come in, this is an expense that was not budgeted for and will be an ongoing expense to add to next year's budget.

Budget Review: Budget discussed, no report as first quarter isn't done yet.

Review Bills: Bills reviewed. Motion by Pedersen, second by Mai to approve payment of bills. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Carow suggested committee review price that a person has to pay to reclaim an animal when it comes to impounds or reclaiming becomes a regular occurrence as well as concerns with large amount of animals moved to other counties through transfers. Welke explained the transfer of animals between shelters.

Set Next Regular Meeting Date: Next meeting March 21, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Motion by Pedersen to adjourn. Meeting adjourned by Chair Gierke at 9:38 a.m.

2019 RUSK COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER REPORT

DOGS

Incoming:	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Strays - total	7												
Out of County	0												
Surrenders - total	1												
Adoption Returns	0												
Impounds	8												
In-house Quarantines	0												
Outgoing:												YTD	0
Adoptions - Walk In	0												
Adoptions - On Line	3												
Reclaims	8												
Euthanasias - Space	0												
Euthanasias - Other	0												
Transfers	1												
												YTD	0

CATS

Incoming:	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Strays total	12												
Out of County	0												
Surrenders - total	0												
Adoption Returns	1												
Impounds	0												
In-house Quarantines	0												
Outgoing:												YTD	0
Adoptions - Walk In	5												
Adoptions - On Line	7												
Reclaims	1												
Euthanasias - Space	0												
Euthanasias - Other	1												
Transfers	14												
												YTD	0

REVENUES:	\$1,362.90													\$1,362.90
Ytd target amt	\$1,194.96													\$1,194.96
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Building fund	\$0.00													\$0.00
Gift Fund	\$ 35.00													\$35.00
Neuter fund	\$132.94													\$132.94
Tags sold	0													0