

# RUSK COUNTY ANIMAL CONTROL BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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Tuesday October 17, 2017 at 8:30 A.M.  
Rusk County Government Center – LEC Room

**Present:** Roger Gierke, Ken Brown, Bill Morgan.

**Others Present:** Karen Welke, Michal Mendleski, Paula Carow, Joanne Spooner

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m.

Minutes from September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2017 meeting reviewed. Motion by Brown, second by Gierke to approve. Motion carried.

## **New Shelter Building:**

- Updates: Welke gave an update of the current progress. The only current issue is a delay in the dog kennels.

**FRCAS update:** Mendleski provided flyers for the banquet Nov 11<sup>th</sup> and the Winter Magic Gist Show Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>. Carow provided a new name suggestion for the shelter. A name change was discussed but is not a change that the committee wants to look at, at this time.

**Shelter Report:** Report distributed and reviewed.

**Budget Review:** The 2017 running budget was reviewed, there are no concerns at this time.

**Tanquilizer Purchase:** New tranquilizer has been purchased and received.

**Schedules:** Discussed current work schedules and possible changes once the new shelter opens.

## **Shelter Updates:**

- **Spay/Neuter Fundraiser:** Welke reported that the Rusk County Animal Shelter Spay and Neuter groups sponsorship program has kicked off and several sponsors have already donated. They are currently looking at the possibility of taking a large group of animals down to the low cost spay/neuter clinic in Neillsville.
- **Bark Against Abuse:** Welke gave update on Bark Against Abuse walk. An awareness walk being put on by Embrace Shelter, the animal shelter, the Ladysmith Veterinary Clinic and several other local sponsors. The event will be held October 26<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:00pm.

## **Training:**

- **Badger State Conference October 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup>:** Welke will be attending the Badger state conference this week.

**Maintenance:** Ongoing rat and mouse issues.

**Review Bills:** Bills reviewed. Motion by Morgan, second by Brown to approve bills. Motion carried

**Set Next Regular Meeting Date:** Next meeting set for November 16<sup>th</sup> at 8:30am

Motion by Brown, second by Morgan to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m.