

Elk Country Animal Shelter
Minutes of General Membership Meeting
Wednesday July 11, 2007-7:00 pm
Montmorency County Library-Hillman Branch

The following people were present:

Pat Crawford
Dave Hancock
Pauline Hancock
Mary Hubbard
Maryann Krzeszak

Chris Moe
Chuck Ruhl
Robin Smiley
Maggie Tatum

*Called to Order at 7:00 P.M.

*We had one guest- Maryann Krzeszak, Pauline's Sister who is now a Member.

*Minutes from June meeting approved and posted to our web site prior to meeting.

*Jim Buckingham has resigned his position due to work schedule and time available. He still wants to handle the 4 wheeler raffle and volunteer at as many events as he can. He feels he can't give the time to the Board or Officers position that the position deserves. He feels as bad about giving it up as we do about losing a great Board Member and Secretary.

***Treasurer's Report-** Mary Hubbard- Gross Income for June was \$3945.46. We had Expenses of \$409.54, along with Veterinarian Expenses of \$290.57. Total expense of \$700.11. We had Other Income which was Interest of \$593.81 for a Net Income of \$3839.16 for the month of June. Motion to approve Treasurer's Report made and approved.

***Membership Report-** Pat Crawford- Our current Membership Roles show 121 Paid Members as of the end of June. It has slowed down some but we are okay. We also have received 14 Memorials in June and so far in July that amounts to \$400.00, 3 for animals, and 11 for people.

***Kennel Report-**Pauline Hancock- 12 came into the kennel, 6 returned to owner, 5 adopted. 2 Euthanized. 1 was euthanized due to health, he was older and he was picked up with Parvo, he was never in the kennel so we know he picked it up in the community somewhere. The other was euthanized for disposition reasons. He could not have been adopted to someone with the disposition he had. Being in the kennel for a long time was adding to his problem.

Committee Reports

***Building Committee**-Dave Hancock- Discussed the recent tour of Crawford Counties new facility by Mary Hubbard, Dave Hancock, and Pauline Hancock.

***Grant Writing**- Maggie Tatum- PetSmart turned us down due to us not having our final 501(c) 3, which came 3 days later. However we can reapply now that we have received it.

***Spay/Neuter Report**- Mary Hubbard- 25 dogs were completed last month thru DJ&T and 4 thru Presque Isle. We are doing about the same number of large dogs and small dogs.

***Capital Campaign**-Mary Hubbard, Maggie Tatum- We are happy that the Board of Directors, as a group, has pledged \$23,737.00. We are kicking off the Capital Campaign at the golf outing. We will have a package put together for hand out as well as for us to use as we solicit from the public. It will have the information of where we are today. It will have a DVD slide show in it which will take us thru the history of the Shelter effort. The group went through the entire package to make necessary changes and additions. We also decided on the list of naming opportunities for our potential donors to choose from. It was decided that we would hold a workshop for all those doing solicitation for the Capital Campaign.

***Golf Outing**- Mary Hubbard- We discussed who our volunteers were going to be for the day and what their individual duties would be. We are going to have a picnic type lunch, with Brats and Burgers and Pizza. We will have a cake made with a picture of our building on it. Number of golfers isn't where we want it but we are pretty sure we will be okay.

* **Hillman Tea Party**- Mary discussed the Tea Party that Sharon hosted at her house and it went very well. Sharon did a great job with this event.

New Business- Carol needs volunteers for the Fair to work in the kitchen for the week of the fair. Week of August 13th. Thru August 18th.

Robin Smiley said the Pet Show in Hillman went very well. We gave out some trophies and we want to order some more so we can hand them out at all our Pet Shows, along with bracelets and ribbons. Motion to purchase was made and approved.

The Animal Shelter table at the Recycling place at the Briley Township Park with Chris Moe on July 17, 2007 was discussed and how many people would be there for answering questions. Robin volunteered to assist Chris.

Next Meeting to be held August 8th 2007 at the Montmorency County Library-Atlanta Branch at 7:00pm. Unless we decide to change the meeting back to Thursdays for the benefit of more of our members/volunteers.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:00 p.m.