

ICHS Board Meeting

April 11, 2022 6:30 pm at the shelter

Present: Lisa Schnedler, Tony Schlafli, Louanna Schulte, and Lisa Cvengros

Absent: Donna Griffin, Janice Olson

Staff: Joselyn Van Ruyven and Jordyn Phillips

Guest: Sharon Shea and Arnette Small

Call to Order

Lisa C. Served as Chair and called the meeting to order at 6:42 p.m.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Louanna moved and Tony seconded - motion approved

Executive Director report

Stats:

Cat: 3 stray cats, 8 born in care, 13 surrendered, 24 cats incoming, 25 cats adopted, one redeemed—16 cats outgoing 39 cats at shelter, 7 in foster, start 38 cats ended with 46.

Dogs: 4 stray, 7 transferred in, one surrender, two protective custody, total 14 dogs incoming. Two dogs adopted. Three dogs redeemed. One transferred out - six dogs outgoing, 9 at shelter - started with one dog ended with nine dogs.

February - transferred many cats to Dane County - all adopted

Kennel report:

March 22nd - took in 4 dogs and 3 puppies from TX, have 3 left of seven, 2 heart worm positive, started treatment. - 90 days - must be kept relatively immobile.

Staffing status - Nothing to report - still staffed. Training another kennel lead who is a current employee to mostly cover weekends. Currently, we have Joselyn, Jordan, two kennel leads, three part-time kennel staff, and one very part-time. No volunteer dog walkers at this point. Joselyn will be out of the office. When she gets back, she will get more volunteers and running.

Volunteer Coordinator - those dollars were used for a Kennel lead. Joselyn is considering the need for a budget exception to increase payroll dollars.

Shelter Expo - next week - will attend by Zoom. Joselyn and Jordan are signed up

Garage sale (4/21, 22, 23) - Sharon said we are no longer taking donations, with exceptions that staff believe we need to take. She will send photos to Joselyn for Facebook and an email blast. Set rain date as the following weekend (4/29 & 4/30).

Joselyn and Jordan went to the Dodgeville Middle school to receive a donation, and they gave a presentation.

Treasurer report

Financial reports

Lisa C reported that after the first quarter, we have a net income of \$303,000 without the bequest, net income would be a loss of -\$21,000. Revenue, w/o bequest is at 16% of budget and down about \$43,000 compared to last year. In 2021, we got \$21,127 in COVID relief funds that we will not see in 2022. Also, Adoption fees down ~\$5,000, municipality contracts down ~\$2,000 and donations down

~\$5,000. We did receive \$4,000 from Commerce Street Brewery - Beers for Betty. We still have not received dog licensing income (\$10,448).

Expenses up \$21,000 over 2021 and at 22% of budget. Payroll, building repairs, electric and gas (both rates and usage) are all up. Shelter expenses down \$2,200 because we paid off SBA loan interest in 2021 and not seen in 2022. Cat expenses up - due to vet expenses —due to KC's care.

Debt down \$15,000 from last year.

Investment Policy Development Committee

Lisa C reported that we continue to work through how to manage \$750,000. Possibilities - matching pay-down-the debt fund, rainy day fund, building improvement or other capital purchases.

Fundraising

Joselyn described the Commerce Street Brewery event - the Blonde Betty drink. Received a \$4,000 donation. Bowling tournament - received \$705. Coming up: Ridgeway Farmer's Market, Garage Sale, Lands End Food Center.

Starting Kennel sponsorship program for cat kennels and dog kennels. Your donation sponsors a kennel for one year.

Sharon inquired about pet of the week at Channel 15 or 27. Joselyn said that they would look into it again in the future.

Building & Grounds

Building priorities - discussion held 4/7/22. Louanna said nothing has changed from that meeting other than she is getting proposals for the two doors. Next meeting April 25th. Joselyn is working on prioritizing list.

Check was received for the fence repair from UPS employee's truck damage - Joselyn doesn't have a date for the repair yet but should be soon.

Collins and Hying did not see anything wrong with the water heater—repairman thinks that water sits in heater too long. Staff ran all water out of water heater. Did not repair electrical wire — he did not see a problem. Lisa S suggested that Joselyn send them a photo of the electrical wire to ensure that they examined it.

Sharon suggested a guard rail be put in place to keep trucks from causing more damage. Joselyn thought that UPS might be willing to put in cement stops. Louanna suggested that this be brought up at the Building and Ground committee meeting.

Propose Spring Cleanup Day will be on 4/25 at Noon – Tony will send note out - Sharon suggested we do the clean up before the city-wide clean up. She noted we have two trees that are all thorns — and should be cut down. Louanna said that she and her husband could work with Tony to the lawn cleanup — Louanna will bring a saw and a trailer. Lisa S. will come and bring a rake.

KC update and discussion

KC was seen by vet again - did ear culture - want to continue antibiotics, ear meds—for next 4 months; after this, hope will resolve ear infections. Needs to be rechecked every month for 4 months. Needs another CT scan after 4 months.

Prognosis - will need to have lifelong care, even if infection clears up, due nasal structure. Will need long-term vet care. Would need adopter who knows that he needs all of this. Ears also a challenge—

needs to have ears drained or surgery that would result in him being deaf. To date, we have spent just over \$4,100. Additional charges coming up - \$1,700 to get through this episode.

Board present agreed this should go to the Euthanasia Committee. Lisa S volunteered to ask a clinical person to serve as an advocate. Sharon provided two names who would assist (Joy Richardson or Pam Richardson)

Strategic Planning session - Lisa S

Scheduled for May 17th at 6 p.m. at the shelter

Public Comment

None

Next meeting:

May 9, 2022 6:30 pm at the shelter

Adjourn

Lisa C move to adjourn - Louanna seconded. Meeting adjourned 8:10 p.m.

Closed session

None