

**MINUTES OF THE CARL W. NELSON ANIMAL SHELTER MEETING**  
**January 18, 2006**

Attending: Kathy McNally-Bova, Char Walter, Deb Flint, Kathy Storandt, Nichole Sauer, Rosemary Aney, April Strohmeyer, Linda Sue Miller, Rosie Watters, Dr. C.J. Laridaen, Don Gibbons, Helen Gibbons

The meeting was called to order by President Deb Flint at 5:30 p.m..

A motion was made by Kathy Storandt to approve the minutes from the December meeting. Motion seconded by Char. Carried.

Treasurer's report was given by Char. We have a balance of \$11,619.77. A motion was made by April and seconded by Kathy Storandt to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Motion carried.

**Old Business:**

Foster Program: All four cats from the elderly lady who was placed in a nursing home have been placed in foster care. Pumpkin and Pie were spayed and tested negative for feline leukemia and placed in foster care in December. Rosemary is fostering the other 2 cats, Gracie and Annabelle. Vet checks and spaying need to be done. A motion was made by Char to have the medical work done for Gracie and Annabelle. Motion was seconded by April. Motion carried.

Calendar: The calendar project netted over \$950.00.

Prison Partnership: Deb reported that because we intend to raffle the items made by the New Lisbon Prison, the prison contact person needs to get approval from the Prison Board before we can get started. Nichole reported that Lamperts and Menards will give us a discount on materials.

Insurance: Deb has a bid of \$236.00 for a \$1,000,000 general liability insurance policy for the Carl W. Nelson Animal Shelter, Inc. Kathy McNally-Bova made a motion to purchase the liability insurance for the shelter. Motion seconded by Nichole. Motion carried. Deb also reported that we need to have someone balance the checkbook each month in order to get the Treasurer and the President bonded. Kathy McNally-Bova volunteered to balance the checkbook.

Interest Bearing Accounts: Char will check on getting a savings account set up for our building fund. She will also check into ways to start drawing interest on our general fund.

Land Acquisition: An amended land agreement has been signed to include verbiage regarding the care of the Wildes' cats. The land agreement is in the hands of the lawyers at this time.

Fundraisers: Kim's Floral of Mauston has offered to contribute her fees for Valentine's Day deliveries to our shelter. Deb will get the details to Rosemary who will take care of the press releases and putting it on the web site.

The Moose Lodge is hosting a pancake breakfast on our behalf on February 26, 2006. Debbie has posters for the event. Please contact her if you can distribute some. Pick and Save will stuff flyers in grocery bags the weekend before the breakfast. Rosemary will take care of the press releases and the web site posting for the pancake breakfast. Rosie will contact the area churches to see if they will put the pancake breakfast in their bulletins.

Kathy Storandt volunteered to coordinate a Home and Garden fund raiser.

Vet Fees/Spay and Neuter Clinics: Dr. Estes will do spaying and neutering at reduced rates for shelters. She also gives reduced rates to shelters for vaccinations and feline leukemia testing. Rosie will contact Dr. Estes to get more details regarding how we could use her for our own foster animals as well as for a possible spay and neuter clinic. Dr. Laridaen suggested that we should plan a surgical room in our new shelter so that we would have a place to conduct spay and neuter clinics.

### **New Business:**

Carl W. Nelson Trust Fund Grant: Linda Sue Nelson presented a check in the amount of \$5000.00 to the shelter for 2006. A grant application stating that money received from the trust would be used to further our Spay and Neuter Program, our Elderly Assistance Program, and our Foster Program, was filed with the trustees in December. A big thank you to Linda Sue and the other trustees for this much needed assistance. It will go a long way to helping us help Juneau County's animals.

Read to Rover and Summer Reading Program: Rosemary is working with the Hatch Public Library to provide an animal education program for their Summer Reading Program. She is checking into the feasibility of a 'Read to Rover Program' at the library. Read to Rover is a nation wide program that provides dogs for children to read to. The program has been very successful in other communities. Rosemary has contacted the Milwaukee Coordinator to get more information. Another possible topic for the Summer Reading Program will be 'Dealing with the Loss of a Pet'. Kathy Storandt and April volunteered to help with this program. More information will be presented at future meetings.

Volunteer Application: A revised volunteer application which replaces the reference to 'persons between the ages of 16 and 18' with 'persons under the age of 18' was considered. Kathy Storandt moved to approve the revised form as presented. Char seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Newsletter: Currently only paid members receive our newsletter. Rosemary made a motion to include volunteers and foster families in the newsletter mailing. Seconded by Char. Carried.

Community Organizations: Debbie and Rosemary have given presentations about our shelter to the following groups: Mauston Lions Club, Mauston Kiwanis, and the Moose Lodge.

Board Member Terms: In order to ensure that the entire Board of Directors does not turn over in a single year, the following board member terms were established by a drawing: **April 2006 to April 2007:** Deb Flint, Tim Andres, Kathy Storandt, Kathy McNally-Bova; **April 2006 to April 2008:** April Strohmeier, Char Walter, Rosemary Aney; Mary Clark; **April 2006 to April 2009:** Nichole Sauer, Jeri Rockwell, Fran Goodwin, Carol Fischer. A motion was made by April to start all terms in April, 2006. Motion seconded by Kathy McNally-Bova. Motion carried. After the initial terms all board member terms will convert to 3 year terms.

Grants: Nichole volunteered to act as our Grant Writing Coordinator. April volunteered to assist Nichole.

Bills: Pancake breakfast posters: \$12.90. Catering Cousins for the chili supper: \$300.00. Newsletter stamps: \$37.00. Nail clippers for the Elderly Assistance Program: \$11.95 (charge to CWN grant fund). Kathy Storandt made a motion to approve all bills as presented. April seconded the motion. Carried.

Meeting adjourned. Our next meeting will be February 15, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rosemary Aney, Secretary