

ANIMAL CONTROL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES  
July 1st, 2009

CALL TO ORDER            The July 1st 2009 meeting of the Animal Control Advisory Committee was called to order by Ed Varga  
At 7:00 p.m. at the McHenry County Department of Health  
Animal Control Division 100 N. Virginia St Crystal Lake  
IL 60014

PRESENT                    Ed Varga, Pat McNulty, Anna May Miller, Bud Alexander,  
Jerry Rivard, Joe Kozlowski, and Sara Denham,

NOT IN ATTENDANCE    Dr. Mehanovic, Jeannette Everett

APPROVAL OF MINUTES A motion to pass the minutes was made by Bud Alexander,  
second by Joe Kozlowski. The motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION   Stella Golden an Animal Control Volunteer made some  
comments in old business.

OLD BUSINESS            Joe Kozlowski asked if Animal Control had moved forward  
on ideas about adoption animals that are difficult to adopt.  
Betty Schlieben stated that Doctor Mehanovic gave her a  
card of a behaviorist a few days prior to the meeting. Betty  
stated she had not contacted this person yet to see what  
they could offer. Joe Kozlowski commented that he would  
like to see them go to be fostered. J Rivard stated that  
Animal Control only has 7 foster homes that can help with  
fostering animals and they are already signed up for the  
year. Stella Golden stated that she knew of a person that  
could come into Animal Control and work with the  
animals. J. Rivard welcomed the Idea.

Bud Alexander commented again on a health concern of  
animals in pet stores. Bud brought forth again the  
feasibility of Animal Control partnering with the IDA to  
regulate pet stores. Bud Alexander stated that pet stores  
may be more likely to make sure the animals are well care  
for if a local Animal Control was regulating them rather  
then just the State. Statements were made that this would  
need to be brought to the States Attorney's to see if the

County could be stricter than the State Department of Aquiculture on regulating these pet stores and also concerns on if it would only concern Pet stores or look in to concerns with breeders also.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Betty Schlieben explained to the committee about the McHenry County Animal Welfare Coalition. She explained that they were looking to register the name McHenry County Animal Welfare Coalition with the State of Illinois and they were looking into filing for a 501c3. She also stated that her Coalition was looking into getting donations for the area food pantries to help keep the animals in need in their homes and not in the rescues/shelters.

#### OTHER BUSINESS

Joe Kozlowski asked how Animal Control thought the trap, neuter and release program was going. Betty Schlieben raised some concerns that a few colony care takers have lost their homes and left the cats behind. However Ed Varga stated that the average number of litters a fertile cat can produce in one year is 3. The average number of kittens in a feline litter is 4-6. So there for every cat spayed/neutered has to be a good thing. J. Rivard stated that he has requested the two organizations, Helping Paws and Animal Outreach Society to provide updated data for their TNR programs.

#### INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATION

The Committee had no comments or questions about the End of the Month report.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Bud Alexander requested a motion to adjourn the meeting. A motion was made by Joe Kozlowski second by Sara Denham. Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:00pm.

