

CAW Committee Meeting

December 16, 2010

Attendees: Jacqui Deveneau, Jessica Bergeron, Arlene Dolgon, Paul Niemczyk, Tianna Higgins, Julie Deans and Will Watson

1. There were no new attendees to be introduced.
2. Treasurer's report given by Paul , \$605.26
3. Discussions of a pet food drive. Jacqui presented a letter which will be used to ask businesses to donate to the drive. An ad on channel 3, craigslist, facebook and in local news papers will advertise the pet food drive to the community. Pastor Mike from the Methodist Church has agree to give CAW the keys to a storage room at the church to keep all the collected food. Ways in which to distribute the food must still be finalized. Once food begins to come in from the drive distribution methods will be determined.
4. Website Report- Steve absent

Facebook page- Jessica has started a Facebook page as another means of addressing the public. It can be found by searching OOB Community Animal Watch. She will work with Steve to add pictures and link it to the website.

5. Discussion of brochures and banner will happen in the January meeting when Steve is present.
6. Animals placed- Since July 26 dogs have gone through the town kennel, 24 were returned to their owners and 2 were surrendered to AWS after finding the owners. 12 cats were brought to AWS and 2 were returned to the owners. Over 50 dogs have gone through the town kennel each year since 2007 and there was a python brought in each year too.
7. Report from Arlene- The cat colony by the church is increasing in size and recovery homes are needed so the cats can be trapped and fixed. In order to have the cats trapped through FoFF the colony must be registered with them so Arlene is working to get the colony registered so the trapping process can begin. More feeders are needed for the colony and people in the neighborhood are unwilling to feed because they do not agree with the colony living there since it is affecting their pets. The Wormwoods cats still need to be spayed/neutered. There is a growing group of cats seen around Dunegrass.
8. Fundraising- A fundraising event needs to be planned during the winter months and there is a possibility of tabling at First Night.
9. FoFF- Tianna explained that FoFF is still in need of foster homes and recovery homes, donations and Wish list items that can be found on their website. They are also looking for people who have out buildings, barns or live in big old farm houses where they can take in an independent cat. FoFF annual meeting will be held in January.

10. Other business- Will took Tianna and Jessica to the holding facility to show them the procedure of taking care of an animal in holding. More volunteers will be needed to check in on the animals when Will is not present.
11. Next CAW Meeting Thursday January 20th 6PM at OOB High School Library