



## **Animal Welfare Committee Minutes**

**June 8, 2026 4:00 PM**

**This meeting will be held in person at the Regional Animal Shelter, 21001 E. M-78 Hwy., Independence, MO 64057.**

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Christina Heinen called the meeting to order at 4:01 pm.

Members present were Ted Luce, Linda Pringle, Linda Humphrey, Terri Hoeflicker, and Rachel Eis.

Staff present were Christina Heinen and Dr. Megan Kosnopfal.

### **SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR**

Linda Pringle nominated Ted Luce as chair. This was seconded by Linda Humphrey. Approved by all present at 4:02 pm.

Ted Luce nominated Linda Pringle as vice chair. This was seconded by Linda Humphrey. Approved by all present at 4:03

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Linda Pringle made a motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Terri. Approved by all present at 4:06 pm.

### **SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATES**

The group discussed a change and consolidation of subcommittees. Ted made a motion to combine the Communications and Legislative subcommittees, seconded by Rachel. Approved by all at 4:15 pm.

The new subcommittees and members will be as follows:

Volunteer: Linda Humphrey, Ted Luce, and Terri Hoeflicker

Fundraising: Terri Hoeflicker, Linda Pringle, and Ted Luce

Legislative Outreach: Ted Luce, Rachel Eis, and Linda Pringle

The group discussed the Sunday World Cafe meeting that had been held that took the place of the Pawparrazi fundraiser that had been planned. Discussion included the need for seed money for the event and whether the new 501c3 (Friends of the Shelter) would be able to assist. The group discussed that an accountant is needed for the 501c3.

#### **DATA REVIEW**

The group discussed the Animal Control move back to the Health & Animal Services Department and whether there were any changes in numbers. The group discussed current staffing, cat adoptions at PetSmart, fostering and TNR services.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

The group was formally introduced to Dr. Megan Kosnopfal.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ted Luce made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Rachel Eis. Approved by all at 5:16 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:16 pm.

Next meeting tentatively scheduled for September 14 at 4 pm.