

**Minutes of the Franklin County Humane Society Board  
December 30, 2019**

**Board Members present:** Fred Deaton, Billie Dollins, Leslie Driskell, Matt Friere, Leo Haggerty, John Hibbard, Keeuna King, Sam Marcus, Jaime Rice, Ray Smith, Rodney Williams

**Officers present:** Cheryl Broyles, Diana Taylor

**Staff present:** Kerry Lowary, Jean Unglaub

**Volunteers present:** Theresa Bennett, Bill Klier, Sharon Parrish

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The meeting convened at 5:35 p.m.

**Committee Reports**

**Shelter Manager's Report (Kerry Lowary)**

- Report attached as part of record.
- Shelter stats attached as part of record.
- Several supply drives were held over the holidays, and the food storage shed is full. Supply drive sponsors included:
  - Feeders Supply
  - Peddlers Mall
  - Second Street School
  - Association of Government Accountants
  - J.J. Custom Music & More
  - The gingerbread house display at the History Center raised \$24 in votes.
- The Humane Society has received a bequest from the estate of Dewey and Dorothy Reed to support the All the Cats, Fixing the Feline Flood campaign to be held through 2020. Another donor pledged \$12,000 to the campaign.
  - Dr. Eckert will do surgeries on two Thursdays a month.
  - The Humane Society will promote the campaign following an announcement at the beginning of January.
  - We are waiting to hear from Dr. Pizano about another possible grant to support All the Cats and TNR.
- Spay Days in February will be used to spay or neuter dogs only; Females on two Fridays; Males on two Fridays. Toyota's support covers the cost of the clinics. Some funds also will be used to replace worn-out instruments.
- There currently are 75 cats at the shelter; there are no longer any lulls in the number of cats arriving as was the case previously during the winter. A majority of the December adoptions were kittens. This makes the All the Cats campaign even more important.
- Work is underway on a grant to send two volunteers to a fostering program.
- Woodford County Humane Society pulled 38 animals for their program during November.
- A special needs student is working at the shelter under a Frankfort High School mentorship program; he will be there until April, when he graduates.
- Christina Alves is being promoted to assistant manager.

**Volunteers (Jean Unglaub)**

- Report attached as part of record.
- Santa photo fundraisers generated about \$3,700 – consistent with last year. 26 volunteers provided 107 hours of service in addition to a professional photographer who volunteered 32 hours.

**Treasurer's Report (Cheryl Broyles)**

- Report included as part of record.
- As of 12/28/19, the Humane Society had \$1,005,292 in its accounts.
- The Treasurer's Report was approved on a motion by John Hibbard, seconded by Ray Smith.

**Thrift Store**

- New Leash on Life generated \$11,301 in sales of items in November and received \$1,006 in regular donations and \$124 for the new shelter fund.
- An Angel Tree was in place from November 14 to December 28.
  - All 36 animals on the Angel Tree received sponsorships, and a substantial number of items on the wish list were provided for the shelter.
  - Receipts totaled \$1,260.

**TNR (Gae Broadwater)**

- Report included as part of record.

**Membership (Betsy Kennedy)**

- Report included as part of record.

**President's Report (Sam Marcus)**

- Minutes were approved for both the November 25, 2019, regular board meeting and December 2, 2019, special board meeting on a motion by Fred Deaton, seconded by Rodney Williams.
- An update on the new shelter included:
  - A conference call with the consultants provided feedback on efforts to reduce the size of the proposed shelter to 10,000 square feet. They will have a professional estimator regarding the cost; the consultants did the estimate themselves during the last round but decided to involve a third party this time due to some questions about the feasibility study.
  - The cost is expected to come close to \$4 million, but that is still indefinite as there is a lot of work pending.
  - A special board meeting will be held January 7, 2020, at the request of Judge Houston Wells and City Manager Keith Parker. It is uncertain what the format will be.

The board went into executive session at 6:12 p.m. The session concluded, no additional action was taken, and the meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.