

**The Dane County Humane Society  
Board of Directors Meeting  
September 20, 2006**

**Attendees: Bridget Bush, Pam Tauscher Coshun, Jan Viney, Cathy Holmes, Ellen Markey, Sara Orvick, Ellyn Mohs**

**Staff: Pam McCloud Smith**

**Excused: Gary Godding, John Bloodgood**

Call To Order: 11:06 A.M.

Motion to accept the August 2006 board meeting minutes as amended by: Bridget Bush. Seconded by Ellen Markey. No discussion. Motion carried.

**Financial Update: Bridget Bush**

- We will work towards paying off the line of credit from the investment account drawn from last month. The line of credit will remain if needed again.
- Adoptions in August were high.
- An estate came in.
- Health insurance costs are down.
- Camp Pawprint came in under-budget.
- We discussed the need for a better way for next year of tracking specific event revenue and expenditures. This will help us decide which events to concentrate on.

**Pit Bull Update: Pam McCloud Smith**

- DCHS is being sued for alleged sub standard care for the Pit Bulls by the dogs' owner Robert Lowrey.
- Lowrey vet was hired (Dr. Link) to examine the Pits in the care of DCHS. He spent approximately 30 minutes on 47 dogs and left with the comment that they seemed in good physical condition. The above named suit was filed *before* the exam was conducted.
- The costs are now up to \$96,710.06 to care for the dogs.

**Dangerous Dogs**

There is an Isthmus article coming out tomorrow (September 21, 06) on the dangerous dogs ordinance. We are attempting to lay a good foundation for change and it gets our message into the community about the need to change current laws to make things better for both the community and companion dogs.

Ellen Markey is developing a legislative committee to explore these needed changes. She will be meeting with Attorney Joe Goode and Leslie Hamilton of the D.A.'s office. Ellen will update us on the developments.

Meeting adjourned for closed session: 11:43 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted By,

*Ellyn Mohs*

DCHS Board Secretary